



Associated Student Government

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**Resolution**  
**91-4-F**  
**Proposed plan of action for Student Health Service**

**PASSED**

**PURPOSE:** For the Associated Student Government to endorse the attached plan of action which includes a suggested increase of the existing prepaid health fee for the Student Health Service of Western Kentucky University.

**STATUS**  
**WHEREAS:** The current funding of the Student Health Service is inadequate to continue to meet the healthcare needs of WKU's student population at the present level, and

**WHEREAS:** Western has stated in Western XXI that a review of the current funding system of the Student Health Service be performed and other alternatives be considered, including privatization, and

**WHEREAS:** Currently, 41% of Western's students utilize the service and even more would be apt to use it if they were aware that they already prepay \$12.50 of their tuition toward Student Health Service, and

**WHEREAS:** With an increase in the prepaid health fee, the office visit charge of \$5.00 could be eliminated, and

**WHEREAS:** Raising the prepaid fee to an estimated \$25-\$30 would eliminate the need for the Student Health Service to use money from the General Funds, and

**WHEREAS:** This would make these funds available to be used elsewhere in the University for educational purposes, and

**THEREFORE:** Be it resolved that we the members of the Associated Student Government believe that the attached proposed plan of action for the Student Health Service would not only free the service from using general funds money but also enable the service to continue meeting the healthcare needs of Western students in a relatively inexpensive manner.

**AUTHOR:** Kira R. Prewitt, Chair  
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Associated Student Government

Proposed Plan of Action:

- 1 Provide Basic, First Level (Primary) Health Care for WKU Students
2. Continue Movement toward Developmental/Educational Model
3. Project Cost of Program
- 4 Establish Financial Independence
  - a. Operate the SHS as an Auxiliary Enterprise
  - b. Funding: Increase Pre-paid Fee and Fees for Ancillary Services (Lab, X-ray, Pharmacy); Eliminate Office Visit Fee
5. Appoint Committee (Students, Faculty, Experts) to Monitor, Recommend Future Fee Adjustments
6. Implement Plan Fall, 1992