

## **NOTICE REGARDING MAINTENANCE OF PRIVATE MEDICAL INSURANCE**

**When a Midshipman becomes ill or injured, the Navy will provide or pay for the same medical care that is provided to all active duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces. If a Midshipman has a medical condition that impacts his or her ability to fulfill the duties of a Midshipman, or impacts suitability for commissioning, a medical board consisting of Navy physicians will be convened and the Midshipman may subsequently be medically separated from the Naval Academy. You are free to contact your local health insurance provider to discuss your and your parents' options for procuring and maintaining private medical insurance to ensure medical coverage in the rare case you become seriously ill or injured and are separated from the Naval Academy prior to graduation/commissioning. Generally, such coverage is inexpensive (or can be maintained at no cost through the parent's employer) and can prevent serious financial problems. In the highly unlikely event you develop or are discovered to have a disqualifying medical condition (e.g. epilepsy, diabetes mellitus, ulcerative colitis, serious injury) requiring separation from the Naval Academy, your ability to obtain health insurance at that time will be significantly compromised because you will then have a preexisting condition.**

It is imperative that you and your family understand the above. Please sign and have your parents/legal guardians sign acknowledging your understanding.

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Candidate Signature

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Date

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Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

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