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CEO OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HEALTH UNDERWRITERS WILL SPEAK AT LOCAL HEALTH UNDERWRITERS MEETING

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On October 17th, the *Executive Vice President and CEO of the National Association of Health Underwriters*, Janet Trautwein, will be speaking at the membership meeting of the Greater Central New York Association of Health Underwriters- sponsored by Touchstone Health.. The meeting will take place at 10am, at Justin's Grill off Carrier Circle in Syracuse. Seating is limited so those who wish to attend should make reservations early by calling Rock Schneider, Membership Chair at (315) 433-5708 or by registering online at www.gcnyahu.org

The topic of Janet Trautwein's discussion will be "*NAHU and You: The Big Picture*" and will be received by health, financial and retirement security professionals from across New York State.

Janet's background includes 17 years in the insurance business as a principal in an insurance agency specializing in health insurance, employee benefits, and related products. In addition, she previously served as the Legislative Director and Lobbyist for the Texas State Association of Health Underwriters. Due to her extensive "field" experience, Janet is a frequent consultant on "real world" health insurance issues. In 2001, Janet was *appointed to President Bush's health advisory transition team to advise the president* and the incoming Secretary of Health and Human services on health issues facing the nation. In 2004, Janet received the *Harold R. Gordon Memorial Award*, which honors the "Health Insurance Person of the Year" and is considered to be the most prestigious award in the health insurance industry.

The Greater Central New York Association of Health Underwriters is a *local chapter of the National Association of Health Underwriters* and was recently established to assist the region's health insurance agents and brokers as they guide employers and consumers through the complexities of the health care system. The vision of GCNYAHU is that *every* American will have access to private sector solutions for health, financial and retirement security and the services of insurance professionals. *All insurance professionals are encouraged to attend* their meeting, which take place the third Tuesday of every month at 10am, at Justin's Grill off Carrier Circle in Syracuse.

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