

Bill # 71-16

**The Graduate and Professional Student Association
(GPSA)
The Pennsylvania State University**



of the 71st Assembly
December 8th, 2021

Be it decided by the Assembly of Elected Delegates,

GPSA Contribution to the Wellness Fund
Funding for the UHS-UPUA Wellness fund
(Decided: [Y / N / A])

1 **Nature of the Situation:**

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3 The UHS/UPUA Wellness Fund was conceived through a collaboration between University Park
4 Undergraduate Association (UPUA) and University Health Services. The fund is meant to alleviate
5 financial strain, related to medical costs, that a student may face as they pursue their education.
6 The Wellness Fund is considered Student Aid. UHS Financial Services will work in partnership
7 with the Office of Student Aid in applying the funds appropriately.

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9 The fund is available to undergraduate, graduate, and professional students enrolled at the
10 University Park campus. The fund can be used by students who do not have medical insurance
11 coverage, students who have high co-pays and deductibles, or students whose insurance does
12 not cover them locally. Additionally, it can be used to protect students' privacy if they are worried
13 about utilizing their parent's/guardian's insurance.

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15 As of December 5th 2021, the initial \$10,000 endowment of the fund has been depleted. The
16 UPUA Vice President, Najee Rodriguez, and UHS staff have requested the GPSA to contribute
17 funds to the Wellness Fund as graduate and professional students benefit from it as well.

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19 **Recommended Course of Action:**

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1 The Graduate and Professional Student Association authorizes the allocation of \$3000 as the
2 GPSA's contribution to the UPUA/UHS Wellness Fund.

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Respectfully submitted,

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President

President _____

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Veto

The Graduate and Professional Student Association