



REPORT OF THE HEALTH & DENTAL COMMITTEE

Submitted for 2022-03-24

For the period of 2021-02-14 to 2022-03-20

Fee Discussions

- Many fees for the purpose of insurance expansion were contemplated by the committee
 - Dialogue Service Fee for all students - Brought to Referendum
 - Legal Protection Program - Referred to the BoD
 - Sexual Violence Protection Program - Concerns about problematic aspects, referred to the GSVP committee
- These decisions were completed after an hour long Q&A session with our liaison at StudentCare and following hard numbers on the usage rates of our insurance program and auxiliary programs.

Goals for the Insurance Renegotiation Period

- March/April is the time where we seek to make changes to our insurance plan. We are looking at the following elements:
 - Expansion of services for Trans students
 - This is specifically looking at covering increased access to voice training, access to certain brand name drugs, easier access to doctors and sexologists, and to expand access to Progesterone coverage.
 - Will likely raise costs much less than other measures due to the comparatively small population
 - Expansion of mental health services
 - This is due to the significant increase in antidepressant medication use by members using the plan
 - Looking at increasing the subsidies for psychotherapy and other options to improve the services provided to our members

Current projects

- Working on improving the mental health services provided to our staff and elected officials.
- Working on fighting the government re: the AMF situation



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- The student insurance program has been secured for next year, wider discussions with regulators as to its fate in the coming years are happening. SSMU must be ready to engage with more direct forms of pressure if the discussions break down.