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Unit Leader

RE: **UNIT INSURANCE** – Sent to primary Unit Leader only

Dear Unit Leader:

Accident insurance is provided to Western Los Angeles County Council registered members, both youth and adults, as an additional service (All LDS Units will continue insurance coverage provided through the Church and are therefore not covered under WLACC's policy). Although approved Scouting programs and activities are designed for safety, accidents do happen. Accident insurance provides secondary benefits for injuries to an insured person anywhere in the world while participating in an official Scouting activity. Please ensure that, for every unit activity, you follow all BSA safety policies found in the Guide to Safe Scouting. A copy of this guide is found at <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/GSS.aspx>. Additionally, any Scouting adventures requiring a Tour & Activity Plan must be registered with the Council to better ensure compliance with these guidelines.

Historically, accident insurance was secured and paid for by each individual Pack, Troop, Ship, and Crew. Providing this service to members is one more way WLACC supports Units and Chartered Organizations, and is one more benefit funded by the support the Council receives through its Friends of Scouting initiative.

Each Unit should become familiar with this benefit and our reporting procedures. A claim form is available through Health Special Risk, Inc. Forms can be secured through the HSR website at www.hsri.com. Click on "Claims Administration Services" and then "Claim Forms" to locate the Boy Scouts of America appropriate document (or <https://www.hsri.com/claim-forms.jsp>). The WLACC policy number is: **PTP N00327402**. We suggest that every outing leader maintain a copy of this letter and the provided claim form with their youth health records.

If you have any further questions or concerns please contact the Council Headquarters at (818)785-8700.

Yours in Scouting,

Lee Harrison
Chief Operating Officer

