



UNIVERSITY of VIRGINIA
Office of Sponsored Programs

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ADVISORY

Graduate Student Insurance on Sponsored Program projects

This past October 2004, the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies authorized the charging of graduate student healthcare costs to Sponsored Program accounts. These charges are allowable for any graduate student being paid at least \$5,000.00 annually from a grant source.

Effective January 2005, proposal budgets should include a line item for one-third of the health insurance premium for any graduate student supported on that grant. Effective July 2006, this increases to two thirds of the health insurance premium for any graduate student supported on that grant. As of July 2007, the grant can pay 100% of the health insurance premium for any graduate student supported on that grant.

It is recommended that you use a base rate of \$1888.00 for this year, and then escalate your proposal health insurance premium cost by 18% for each following year. Make sure that you allocate this charge proportionately to all sources of funding and only to the time frames covered. These charges are to be included in your F&A calculations.

The Office of The Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies and the Office of Sponsored Programs are currently working with the University Comptroller and developing a formal implementation strategy. You will be advised when this process is complete.