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## U.S. Representative Fred Upton Addresses Local Health Insurance Brokers

(Kalamazoo, MI) – The Southwest Michigan Association of Health Underwriters (SMAHU) held its monthly meeting on Tuesday November 10, 2015 at the Kalamazoo Country Club. Health insurance professionals from Southwest Michigan gathered to learn about Congress' attempts to revise the Affordable Care Act for the betterment of all citizens.

"Congressman Upton is always willing to entertain our views regarding health insurance legislation." said SMAHU president Tammy Deur. "To have such an influential member of Congress visit and share his take on the current actions Congress is considering around the Affordable Care Act (ACA) is of great value to our members and those affiliated with our industry."

Congressman Upton represents Michigan's 6<sup>th</sup> District and is the Chairman of the influential Energy and Commerce Committee. The event also included Q&A on Health Reform by SMAHU members lead by Michigan Association of Health Underwriters Legislative Chair Cathy Cooper.

"Congressman Upton's visit was especially timely," said Mrs. Cooper. "with the recent passage of the PACE Act allowing groups of 51-99 employees to remain in the large group market and open enrollment for Medicare and the Marketplace ongoing Congressman Upton's information resonated with our members."

SMAHU is the local chapter of The National Association of Health Underwriters which represents more than 100,000 professional health insurance agents and brokers who provide insurance for millions of Americans.