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#### PROCARE APPROVALS

A special mailing regarding **ProCare Medicare Supplement** rate approvals for new business and renewals has been mailed to Branch Offices in **Nevada**.

Check your state(s) ProCare rate memo for complete effective date information and cut-off dates for business written with old rates.

#### PART A WAIVER APPROVAL

The Part A Deductible Waiver program has been approved for Kentucky. Log on to UAOnline to locate participating hospitals in Kentucky.

#### INTEREST RATES SET

The **Lifestyle Annuity** new money interest rate for the month of **May** is **3.5 percent**. Rates will continue to be reviewed and adjusted accordingly.

The **Deposit Fund Rider** new business interest rate for 2005 has been set at **3.00 percent**.

### ATTN: ALL AGENTS

The Standard UA Partners Enrollment Form (F3840) will be replaced with a new enrollment form F4300-I. The UA Partners Review (F3844-B) details the UA Partners program and may be left with the applicant.

### UA PARTNERS® UPDATE

A new Provider Network has been added to the UA Partners program. Integrated Health Plan, Inc. (IHP) is a national provider network which consists of a large number of credentialed hospitals, physicians, and ancillary healthcare providers available throughout the nation.

Log on to

**www.competitivehealth.com/uapartners** for an updated provider listing for your area.

#### UAATWORK UPDATE

Effective immediately for Worksite Marketing applications only, a spouse's signature will no longer be required on the Medical Information Bureau (MIB) form. Should a claim occur, UA reserves the right to verify the health history of the spouse. By eliminating this requirement, the turn-around time for applications should be shortened.

## IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR ALL AGENTS

When presenting multiple life and health products, be sure the prospective insured understands each product is a separate, individual policy. If the prospect would like to add the UA Partners program, it should be represented as an optional discount services program. The UA Partners program includes an optional Provider Network for select health coverages or "Automatic" Claims Filing® (ACF) for Medicare Supplement customers.

### FLEXGUARD UPDATE

The chart below indicates product availability at press time.

FLEXguard is available in states marked with an "X" at press time.											
AK	Х	GA	-	MA	-	NJ	-	SD	X		
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CT	-	KS	-	MT	X	OR	X	WA	-		
DE	Χ	KY	-	NE	X	PA	-	WI	-		
DC	Х	LA	X	NV	-	RI	X	WV	X		
FL	X	ME	-	NH	-	SC	X	WY	X		
	Plans and benefits vary by state.										

### IMPORTANT VISION ANNOUNCEMENT!

This will be the last printed issue of Vision magazine. Beginning next month, Vision will be available as a download only. Log on to UAOnline or www.uabranch.com/services to print out your copy.



## Andrew W. King President, Branch Office Marketing Division

Some mornings I wake up feeling like George Bush or John Kerry during last fall's presidential campaign. I'm in a different city than I was yesterday and preparing to face a fresh crowd with a message that can change their lives. Only for me, a seat in the White House isn't my goal. My goal is to spread the word about the amazing income and product opportunities available at United American.

Branch activity is key to the success of "The HDF Campaign Recruiting Tour." Many Agents are being contracted specifically to sell HDF, so it's critical we all help them by doing our very best to lead them in our "Three Point HDF Marketing Approach":

- 1. Phone Activity: Each Agent ideally should set 15 daily, non-specific appointments, which will result in no less than 10 presentations per day with the video no less than an average of 5-7 HDF sales closed each day. These personal closing rates of 50-70% were shared with me by Unit Managers at our recent recruiting meetings. Phone appointment activity, especially in setting non-specific appointment times and mapping these out to see them in clusters, minimize an Agent's driving time, making sales happen more frequently throughout each day! If anyone happens to be out when you drop by, leave the video in a door hanger bag with an intro letter and pick it up later after they watch the DVD or VHS. Just think, with the "Video Agent" approach, you have many presentations occurring at the same time, even when you aren't even there! How about 20 "Video Agent" presentations per day?
- 2. Senior Groups: The Branch Manager and Unit Managers are encouraged to spend Monday afternoons scheduling at least one Senior Citizen Meeting per week, per unit. "Partner Up" with the Senior Group leaders to build their organization's size and monthly dues, by helping them place free Public Service Announcements on their behalf through TV, Radio, Newspapers, and Senior Publications to advertise their meetings each month. Again, when they see you are serious in "Partnering Up" to help them grow with advertising, they'll have you back again and again as their "partner in growth" every month!
- 3. Free Breakfasts: Branch and Unit Managers are asked to assist each Agent in scheduling one "Free Senior Breakfast Meeting" each week in restaurants with back rooms, like Shoney's or Denny's and local cafeteriastyle restaurants like Luby's. Management should assist the Agents in getting these sites set up and then repeat the meetings each week at the same sites using signage and ads to announce it - "Tuesday is Free Senior Breakfast Day at Shoney's" or "Wednesday is Free Senior Breakfast Day at Denny's." With this approach, you can cover the city in a week's time, getting additional high-closing rate appointments! The idea is to "Partner Up" with the restaurant's manager here too, to help build the restaurant's Senior business each week. The cost at \$4 per meal for 20 Seniors is only \$80. If you sell one case at \$60 per month, then the agent makes \$120 for a \$40 profit. With a closing rate of at least 50%, the agent can make \$1,200 per day, for a profit of \$1,120! THINK BIG - and ask: "How many sets of eyes should I get on my plan each day with a minimum 50% closing rate?" How about leaving a pad for the waitstaff to give Seniors throughout the week to drive them into your meeting? How about offering a "lead fee" to the waitress for every Senior presenting a slip with their name on it?

## **HDF and FLEXguard –**

New Chapters in UA's Presidential Library of Products

Agents who have high-activity marketing are absolutely the most exciting people in the world to me, especially those who have no preconceived notions on "How high is high?" Branch Managers and Unit Managers are in the perfect position to direct, teach and guide our newest Agents right into the same six-figure incomes that our other Agents enjoy too, even before renewals. These Agents succeed because of a willingness to follow the paths shown by management to the highest activity possible and progress into management very quickly. Branch and Unit Managers who encourage the Three Point Program's high level of activity know it has the potential to result in a minimum of \$150K per year for a new Agent. When Agents realize the high closing rate on HDF, then combine it with the 3-Point Program's high activity, their incomes go way off the charts! Remember, serious people will do as they're asked to make this type of income, and it is our job to lead them to go get it every day! Just think of how many direct response leads will be funded for their accounts with this activity!

Up to now in my "campaign travels" I have gotten outstanding feedback concerning HDF closing rates. All high-activity training Managers and Agents are excited about HDF. Dennis Mitchell of Branch 80 says, "HDF has made us even more competitive in the Medicare market. I'm very excited about this new product. The closing rate is 50% to 70% (*right on target, Dennis!*) and the persistency will be awesome as well. It is just a matter of getting in front of the people."

Branch 90 Agent Chris Moore is just as enthusiastic, "For the majority of Seniors who have enjoyed relatively good health, this product has almost sold itself. Coupled with United American's reputation for quality, it just becomes a matter of getting in front of as many Seniors as possible to have great success. This has been and will remain my strategy in the future." This approach is working for Chris and, apparently for others in Branch 90, because they work together in one of the top HDF producing branches in the country! Congratulations to Ron Seroka, Chris and the entire Branch 90 team! Give them a call for their ideas!

Jimmy Watson, a new Agent in our new H1 Branch sees HDF this way, "Many times all my clients want to hear is the bottom line...what will it cost them each month. It helps in competing with the lower premiums offered by the HMOs in my area. HDF together with the UA Partners® optional discount services program adds up to outstanding value at a price that is hard to turn down. They want 'Catastrophic Coverage' at a much lower cost each year, and HDF offers this excellent opportunity to those who have it presented to them. Present it as often as possible!" Great work, Jimmy – you know the point well – get as many "eyes" as possible on a product with a 50% to 70% presentation closing rate, every day!

FLEXguard seems to be off to a strong start too, though after only one week it's a bit early to have much feedback – but what feedback we have is superb! All the Agents I've spoken with are very excited about it and see it as having a great future in the UA portfolio. I do know Jeff Miller's team in Branch 50 is already having great success with this terrific new FLEXguard product, and I am sure his team is the first of many more success stories. How does this sound from Branch 50 - \$64,000 in FLEXguard sales alone, the very first week? Pretty darned good I think. Don't you TEAM? As our high-activity marketing campaign continues to roll, I'll keep you apprised of all the other great things happening at United American that we discover!

## 2004 Convention Qualifiers, Cancun: June 30 - July 3, 2005

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Kevin Vincent, U. Mgr.

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## Choose High Deductible Plan F (HDF) For Catastrophic Protection

"If you are **relatively healthy and currently only incur routine medical expenses**, you should purchase a catastrophic, or high-deductible health insurance policy that would kick in when your medical bills exceeded a pre-determined level."

Weiss Research - Consumer Advocate for Financial Safety

Selling your prospects on the tremendous value of an HDF policy need not be difficult. Even if they are not familiar with this type of product in the health insurance arena, the vast majority have experience with automobile or homeowners' insurance and understand how deductibles work. Simply draw an analogy between HDF and these other types of insurance protection.

For instance, some of your healthy prospects may question their need for *any* supplemental coverage beyond Medicare. You probably have all heard, "But, I have a nice little nest egg put away, and I'm a very healthy person. The odds are in my favor that my claims will be low. Do I really need supplemental coverage?"

After your resounding "YES!" ask them to consider the following: "Do you carry automobile insurance for the periodic flat tire or the broken tail light?" No, those you take care of yourself, rather than incur a deductible. You carry automobile insurance for the catastrophic losses – a stolen vehicle or a serious accident with substantial damage to your vehicle and/or bodily injury to people involved.

It's the same with a homeowner's policy. You don't purchase a homeowner's policy to pay for the "baseball through the window" type of claim. You can write a check to cover that. You purchase a homeowner's policy to pay for catastrophic losses – like your house burning down or damage sustained by a hurricane or tornado.

Health insurance is no different. HDF is designed to cover substantial injury or a lengthy hospital confinement, both of which can run hundreds of thousands of dollars beyond what Medicare pays.



No one can guarantee your prospects that they will stay healthy or that their "nest egg" will always be there, because life can change in an instant. But United American can guarantee that we will always be there when they need us. UA's High Deductible Plan F (HDF) is our guarantee of affordable, Plan F protection against those unexpected losses.

Remember, HDF will not be appropriate for all Seniors, so be sure your prospects know that UA has additional supplemental plans which may be more suitable for their particular needs and situations.

Policy Form MSHDF. Plans and benefits vary by state. United American Insurance Company is not associated with Medicare, Social Security, or any other government agency. Additional Medicare Supplements available which may be better suited to customer's needs.

## Underage Health:

Selling the product is the first step to getting new business on the books. Proper completion and submission of all the required paperwork is the second. Because required forms vary both by state and by product, you'll need to determine what is required in your particular state for each particular product. Incorrect forms or missing forms will only slow down policy issue and your commission check! Review required compliance forms for your state at UAOnLine.

The forms below are required with most underage health sales, but will vary by state and type of prospect. Those that can be downloaded at www.uabranch.com/services are indicated by an asterisk (\*). Others are available through Branch Supply.

## DS - FORM UNITED AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY A DELAWARE STOCK COMPANY & ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES: McKINNEY, TEXAS

HOSPITAL AND SURGICAL EXPENSE POLICY — FORM HSXC REQUIRED OUTLINE OF COVERAGE

THE POLICY DESCRIBED IN THIS OUTLINE PROVIDES LIMITED BENEFITS ONLY. THESE ARE LESS THE POLICY DESCRIBED IN THIS OUTLINE PHOVIDES LIMITED BENEFITS ONLY. THESE ARE LESS THAN THE MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR BENEFITS FOR HOSPITAL AND SURGICAL COVERAGE AS PRESCRIBED BY THE INSURANCE REGULATORY OF YOUR STATE.

Read Your Policy Carefully — This outline of coverage provides a very brief description of the important read Your Policy Carefully — This outline of coverage provides a very offer description of the hisportant features of your policy. This is not the insurance contract and only the actual policy provisions will control. This policy itself sets forth in detail the rights and obligations of both you and your insurance company. It is, therefore, important that you READ YOUR POLICY CAREFULLY!

This policy is designed to provide you with limited basic hospital and surgical expense coverage, but it provides benefit amounts which are less than those prescrib state as minimum benefit amounts for this type coverage. C Paragraph (3). The benefits described in Paragraph (3) may 3

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are paid

#### **FORM 3728**

Please print

Consumer F Each applicant who purchases one of the following Basic Hosp sign this form. Please indicate which plan was purchased and ☐ FLEXGUARD □ CS1

APPLICANT'S NAME The above referenced licensed Agent visited with me in reference to mal your company. The soliciting Agent explained the provisions showing by exclusions. I have received an Outline of Coverage for the policy(s) for w

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Your letter of creditable coverage must include your COBRA effective and termination dates, or state that COBRA.

If you believe that you are an eligibat person, you should contact your state's Department of Insurance for ompany does not offer Major Medical policies, and the policy(s) I more information. fits. I know that this policy(s)

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PRIVACY AND Underage Health Series Edition exclusions. I have received an Outline of Coverage for the policy(s) for w

2. I understand that I may have rights to certain insurance protection g
comprehensive coverage that is not offered by United American that
HIPAA eligible individual?

A HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) eligible ind
a. have at least 18 months of creditable coverage without a significan
or more during all of which you had no coverage. If you get covera
day, you have not incurred a significant break;
b. most recent coverage was under a group health plan, government,
c. you are not eligible for coverage under any other group health plan
d. not eligible for Medicaid or Medicare;
e. most recent coverage was not terminated due to non-payment of g
f. did not decline offer to continue coverage under a state program
g. exhausted coverage under the elected continuation of coverage.

If applying with United American as a HIPAA eligible individual for guaranteed issue coverage, you must reside in
a state that does not have a state health pool.

Your letter of creditable coverage must include your COBRA effective and termination dates, or state that COBRA united american insurance company UAPDI-UH 04

• **DS-Form** – The product outline of coverage must be provided to every applicant at the time of the sale.

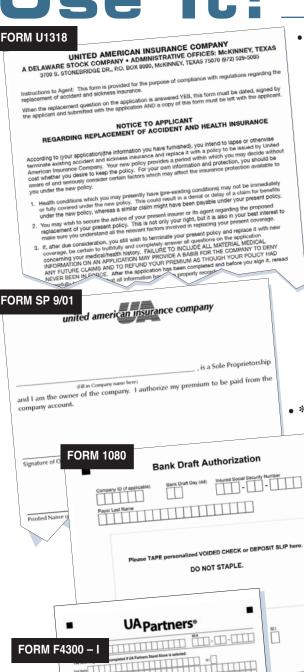
• The Privacy & Disclosure Information: Health Series Edition (Form UAPDI-UH) – Booklet includes these required forms:

- UA Privacy Policy
- Notice of Information Practices
- Notice and Authorization of Medical Information

Bureau (MIB)

- Health Insurance Notice of **Privacy Practices**
- Telephone Verification
- HIPAA Privacy Rule Authorization for Release of Health-Related Information. This form gives the prospect's medical providers permission to release all medical information to United American. Agent must submit the page with applicant's signature to the Home Office and leave the rest of the booklet with applicant.
  - \*Consumer Form 3728 Applicant must sign when purchasing the following policies: FLEX, CS1, GSP, HXSC, MMXC, and SHXC. Form relates to possible HIPAA, COBRA, and state health pools eligibility and must be submitted with application.

## If The Form Fits, Use It!



F4300-1

• \*Health Replacement Form **U1318** – Use if replacing existing health coverage. Form must be signed and dated by the applicant, submitted with the application, and a copy left with the applicant. State specials are available for Colorado, Florida, Idaho, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, South Carolina and Wisconsin.

• \*Sole Proprietor **Authorization Form** (SP 9/01) - This form authorizes premiums for the sole owner of a company to be paid from his or her company account.

• \*Bank Draft Authorization

(**Form 1080**) – The new FLEXguard application is unique in that it requires a separate bank draft authorization form. Typically, the bank draft has been included in the application/brochure.

> • \*UA Partners® Authorization and Enrollment (**F4300-I**) – Form has state specials for Alabama, Connecticut and Montana.

## What Is Available for Underage Health?

### **Basic Hospital:**

- Good Sense Plan (GSP1)
- FLEXguard
- HSXC
- SHXC
- MMXC
- UA-250

### **Medical Surgical:**

- SMXC
- MSXC

## **Surgical Supplement:**

• SSXC-B

## **Hospital Insurance** Plans:

- HIXC
- HMXC-B

## **Critical Illness Supplement:**

• HealthGuard

Of course, if you have any questions concerning forms, don't hesitate to consult your \*Agent Manual (F4303) or ask your Branch Manager (no, he or she can't be downloaded).

# **UAAdCatalog**

## Looking for a Print Ad? We make it Simple!

With all the new products we've added recently to the United American portfolio, the need for product-specific print ads is more important than ever and we've got 'em! Remember, radio/television and phone scripts are also available through the Ad Catalog.



1. Find your ads. The UA Ad Catalog makes it easy. It clearly illustrates each ad and provides necessary information regarding modification of the ad prior to use. Each ad also lists the state(s) in which that ad is *not approved* and *cannot be used*. Branch Managers should select ads based upon state approval.



**2.** Add to Cart. If you find an approved ad you'd like to request from the catalog, click the "Add to Cart" button on the ad's detail page. You may continue shopping until your cart contains all of the ads you wish to request.



3. Checkout. Once you have finished browsing for ads, click the "Checkout" button to request the items in your shopping cart. The contents of your shopping cart is sent via e-mail to Branch Services for license verification and fulfillment. You can receive your order by either e-mail or postal mail; just indicate your preference prior to check out.

The Ad Catalog also includes complete information on our Advertising Guidelines, should you prefer to write, design, or illustrate your own ad. The steps to getting approval for your own ad are carefully outlined so there is no confusion or misunderstanding about the process and the timeframe involved in securing approval. But why go to the trouble of designing your own, when we already have so many outstanding ads waiting?

The recently designed High Deductible Plan F (HDF) and FLEXguard ads have been added to the Catalog and are yours for the asking. There's not a better way to hit the ground running with these exciting new products than to place a state-approved print ad in your local newspaper or community bulletin.

The Ad Catalog is easy to access and simple to navigate. In addition, our pre-approved print ads relieve you from marketing concerns. We've laid the proper groundwork for you and handled compliance issues and any other regulatory concerns. If it's in the Ad Catalog indicating availability in your state, you know it's approved.

Print ads can simplify promoting your Branch and United American's excellent portfolio. They make your advertising easier and your sales presentations more credible. Take advantage of all the Ad Catalog has to offer and order today!

## Agents Make the Difference

It's well-known that people buy from people they like. Treat your customers right, and you'll not only have outstanding persistency and retention, but customers who'll be loyal for life. Make them a priority and they'll make you a priority. A recent article in the March 2005 issue of *AdvisorToday*, laid out eight steps to achieving customers for life!

## 1. Show them you appreciate their business.

There are a lot of Agents and carriers out there ready to jump all over your customers. You need to tell them how much you appreciate the fact they've chosen you. At the end of a meeting or a phone call with your customer, thank them for doing business with you and tell them how much you appreciate them. When your policyholder feels appreciated, they'll appreciate you.

## 2. Make your best customers feel special.

"Best" could be those who pay you the most premium, those who have been your customers for the longest period of time, or those who are the most wealthy and have the most potential for future business. Whoever your best customers are make them feel special. You could host a gathering each month or two...a coffee hour, a picnic or a cookout. An event allows you to get better acquainted with your customers, and allows your best customers to get acquainted with each other, which may help expand your prospect potential.



A survey by the Independent Insurance Agency Association showed:

- 52% of insurance customers describe themselves as relationship buyers.
- Customers want an annual review of their policies.
- Customers want Agents with integrity and stable agencies that stand behind them.
- Customers want information about their policies and coverage.

## 5. Be likeable.

If customers like you, they're much more likely to do business with you. Be a person your customer can enjoy being around. Be respectful to your customer, pay attention to them, communicate with them, but don't be afraid to have fun with them too. Examine your motives for being in insurance sales if you have any question about your likability quotient. Do you manipulate your customers, or are you truthful and authentic? Are you adversarial or supportive in your relationships? If you have concerns, pledge now to bring more openness and integrity to your professional associations.

## 6. Show your customers they matter to you.

Send cards, notes or flowers for illness, birthdays and other special occasions. Perhaps a simple "just calling to see how you are" phone call or a UA thank you note may be just what your customers need to brighten their day (and make them customers for life).

## 7. Don't take customers for granted.

Remember, it's your customers who put food on your table and send your kids to college. Other than your family, no one matters more to your well-being than your customers. There's always another insurance professional just waiting around the corner to take your place, so maintain regular contact with your customers to let them know how important they are.

## 8. Educate your customers.

Keep them informed about developments or changes within the Company and the insurance industry in general, which might be of interest to them. Be as up front as possible with information – both good and bad. (You really don't want them learning about a policy rate increase from their next billing statement. They need to hear it from you.) Well-informed customers can make well-informed decisions. If your customers know all the facts, they are much more likely to make the decision that is right for them. Good decisions make for great persistency and lifelong relationships.

## 3. Answer the phone and call customers back.

It's important to be personally available to customers (within reason, of course). Delegate as much administrative work as possible to others, but if your customer needs to talk to you, be there!

## 4. Pay attention to what the customer wants, not what you want.

Relationships are important to your customers. They are more concerned about Agents having their best interests at heart than they are about product issues and sales issues. Agents need to maintain a service mentality because people love to be serviced, but dislike being sold. Remember, a customer's personal feeling about his or her Agent will generally take precedence over concerns about products and price. A survey by the American Society for Quality showed that 68 percent of a company's lost business was due to an indifferent attitude by the service provider. Relationships matter!

## ACHIEVEMENT PRESIDENT'S CLUB

Through March 2005, the following producers represent the Top Agents, Unit Managers and Branch Managers with the highest net-net premium for the year. To be listed here, you must have a Quality of Business rate of at least 61% as determined by the 4th month persistency report (or Decline/Cancellation rate of less than 25% from the convention report if no QOB rate is available), be above minimum standards, have a credit balance on your personal account (Branch Managers must have credit in the Z account as well), and have growth of inforce premium over 12/04.

#### **BRANCH MANAGERS**

## I. Justin White Branch G7 \$646,779

### **UNIT MANAGERS**



#### **AGENTS**

I. Zane Miller Branch 92 \$67,908



2. John Hamilton
Branch 61
\$493,217



2. Michael Castellano Branch G7 \$255,156

I. Richard Byrd

Branch 74

\$279,325



2. Mark Tames
Branch G7
\$60,454



**3. Randy Byrd**Branch 74
\$453,758



3. Penney Frazier-Parham Branch 61 \$235,621



**3. Brenda Simons**Branch G8
\$53,889



 4. Ross Taylor, Branch 92
 \$424,305

 5. Ron Seroka, Branch 90
 398,992

 6. Alan Spafford, Branch 60
 329,701

 7. Dennis Mitchell, Branch 80
 313,301

 8. Greg Gorman, Branch 86
 266,914

 9. Sheryl Sisler, Branch G8
 243,041

 10. Eric Sellors, Branch 49
 227,043

 4. Bonnie Coffel, Branch G8
 \$201,114

 5. Julie Gorman, Branch 86
 187,792

 6. Michele Sellors, Branch 49
 180,787

 7. James Short, Branch 61
 171,068

 8. Gene Love, Branch 92
 164,314

 9. Joshua Byrd, Branch 74
 164,273

 10. Chris Fox, Branch G7
 154,303

 4. Juan Ramirez, Branch 89
 \$52,988

 5. Mark Wofford, Branch 50
 51,616

 6. David Cantu, Branch G9
 51,224

 7. Debra Lee, Branch G7
 49,646

 8. Donald Arnett, Branch C9
 49,473

 9. Brian Verch, Branch 63
 49,306

 10. William Bamford Jr., Branch G7
 48,580

## Honor Club

Through March 2005, the following Agents, Unit Managers and Branch Managers ranked 11 through 20 in terms of net-net premium for the year. To be listed here, you must have a Quality of Business rate at least 61% as determined by the 4th month persistency report (or Decline/Cancellation rate of less than 25% from the convention report if no QOB rate is available), be above minimum standards, have a credit balance on your personal account (Branch Managers must have credit in the Z account as well), and have growth of inforce premium over 12/04.

#### **BRANCH MANAGERS UNIT MANAGERS** AGENTS 11. Peter Schettini, Branch 39 . . . . . . . . \$211.491 II. Chris Villwock, Branch HI . . . . \$149,560 II. James Short, Branch 61.........\$48,557 12. Darrell Timmons, Branch 47..... 198.333 12. Stewart Ross, Branch 68 . . . . . . . . . 148,292 12. Macon Hughes, Branch G7 . . . . . . . 47,976 13. Irene Burns, Branch G9............ 163,574 13. Christopher Loveless, Branch 60 . . . 143,598 13. Benjamin Blackwell, Branch 74......... 47,208 14. Connie Smith, Branch G4...... 160,300 14. Karen Dolan, Branch 63........... 135,978 14. Barbara Pete, Branch 40 . . . . . . . . 46,960 15. Jim Grigsby, Branch E6............. 156,390 15. Craig Fortner, Branch 92 . . . . . . 134,339 15. Leslie Sussman, Branch 77 . . . . . . 44,670 16. Craig Villwock, Branch HI ...... 155,848 16. Jimmy Swindall, Branch 92 . . . . . . . . 130,777 16. Ronald Baney, Branch 50 . . . . . . . . 44,663 17. Gary Deese, Branch F1.......... 124,592 17. Jamie Benson, Branch 94......... 43,899 18. Cody Webster, Branch 50 . . . . . . . . 122,141 18. Andrew Coutavas, Branch F8..... 41,604 19. Melissa Marte, Branch G8...... 39,917 20. John Rundlof, Branch G7.......... 120,713 20. Joanne Hoffman, Branch F8 ..... 39,160





## **Rookie Manager**

The Top Rookie Manager has been a manager for less than one year and is recognized by United American for the Branch's combined net-net premium.

**JUSTIN WHITE**, of Branch G7 is March's **ROOKIE MANAGER OF THE MONTH**. The Branch G7 team produced **\$197,222** of net-net annualized premium in March, making it the second month in a row.

Way To Go Again Branch G7! Congratulations Justin! This is propelling you to #1 YTD!

### Welcome

**Sheryl Sisler** has been promoted to Branch Manager of Branch G8. Sheryl was previously a Unit Manager in Branch 90. She is already #9 in the Company YTD!

## **First Year Agent Production**

Through March 2005, the following represent the Top Five Branch and Unit Managers with the highest First Year Agent production for the year.

Top 5 – 1st Yr. – Branch	Manager	Top 5 – 1st Yr. – Unit Manager			
1. Justin White, Branch G7	\$638,067	1. Michael Castellano, Branch G7	\$246,444		
2. John Hamilton, Branch 61	360,278	2. Richard Byrd, Branch 74	215,819		
3. Randy Byrd, Branch 74	340,937	3. Bonnie Coffel, Branch G8	201,114		
4. Ron Seroka, Branch 90	302,231	4. Michele Sellors, Branch 49	180,340		
5. Dennis Mitchell, Branch 80	270,306	5. James Short, Branch 61	171,068		

Please note the same standings on the previous page — adding new producers in greater volume results in top overall company positions!

Exciting new products like HDF and FLEXguard coupled with enthusiastic new recruits are making the numbers soar! 2005 is on tap to be a year of tremendous growth. Keep it up Branches!

## **Million Dollar Milestone**

as of March 2005.

Tremendous Achievement, Greg! Keep progressing — you're T.E.A.M. is already #8 Company-wide!

## Qualifiers on Schedule

## LAKE TAHOE, NEVADA

BRANCH 01 BRANCH 02 BRANCH 06

David Barbee, U. Mgr.

**BRANCH 08** 

Mary Gibbs, U. Mgr.

BRANCH 09 BRANCH 10 Scott Peterson BRANCH 12

**BRANCH 15** 

Brian Pederson, U. Mgr.

BRANCH 17 BRANCH 18 James Lapradd

William Privette, U. Mgr.

BRANCH 20 BRANCH 21 BRANCH 22

Gordon Larson BRANCH 23

BRANCH 25

Thomas Abney, U. Mgr. Peggie Chrestman Jo Ann Fitzsimmons, U. Mgr.

BRANCH 28 BRANCH 30 BRANCH 31 BRANCH 33

Shaun Meoak, U. Mgr.

**BRANCH 38** 

Thomas Fenske, U. Mgr.

BRANCH 39
John Crawford

Paola Pereyra, U. Mgr. Peter Schettini, Mgr.

BRANCH 40 Barbara Pete

BRANCH 43

BRANCH 45 BRANCH 46

Marion Parker Jr., U. Mgr.

BRANCH 47

Jim Macklin

Darrell Timmo

Darrell Timmons, Mgr. Jeff Tole, U. Mgr.

BRANCH 49 Jon Baggett

Eric Lardner Eric Sellors, Mgr. Michelle Sellors, U. Mgr. **BRANCH 50** 

Ronald Baney Brandon Gross, U. Mgr. Timothy Nuckolls, U. Mgr. Cody Webster. U. Mgr. Mark Wofford

BRANCH 53

Christopher Lawson

BRANCH 54 BRANCH 55

James Green
BRANCH 59
Joseph Shenk
BRANCH 60

Christopher Loveless, U. Mgr. Gary Lusk Alan Spafford, Mgr.

Joann Spafford-Paak, U. Mgr.

**BRANCH 61** 

Steve Carlisle George Crossley

Penney Frazier-Parham, U. Mgr. Robert Guenard

Jeana Halter John Hamilton, Mgr. Stevie Mauldin, U. Mgr.

David May James Short, U. Mgr.

BRANCH 62 BRANCH 63

Karen Dolan, U. Mgr. Brian Verch

BRANCH 66

Steven Lauer, U. Mgr. Brenda Trejos

BRANCH 68

Stewart Ross, U. Mgr.

BRANCH 69

Daniel Doane, U. Mgr. Johnnie Medina

**BRANCH 73** 

Lynn Giachetti, U. Mgr. Douglas Wrucke

**BRANCH 74** 

Benjamin Blackwell Joshua Byrd, U. Mgr. Randy Byrd, Mgr. Richard Byrd, U. Mgr. Sharon Sheffield **BRANCH 76** 

Janie Barrett, U. Mgr.

**BRANCH 77** 

Patricia Everette, U. Mgr. Leslie Sussman

**BRANCH 80** 

Caren Gertner Fritts Robert Herb Raymond Miller, U.

Raymond Miller, U. Mgr. Dennis Mitchell, Mgr. Terry Watson, U. Mgr.

**BRANCH 86** 

Ashley Anderson, U. Mgr. James English Greg Gorman, Mgr. Julie Gorman, U. Mgr. Richard Hardin

BRANCH 87

James Heineman, U. Mgr. Juan Ramirez

**BRANCH 90** 

Douglas Biss, U. Mgr. Nancy Ellis Sue Anne Gassett, U. Mgr.

Philip Lakota Melissa LeBlanc, U. Mgr.

Roland Reese Ron Seroka, Mgr.

BRANCH 91 BRANCH 92

Craig Fortner, U. Mgr. Gene Love, U. Mgr. James McNelis Zane Miller Susan Page Jimmy Swindall, U. Mgr. Ross Taylor, Mgr. Mary Woodruff

BRANCH 93

Timothy Jarman Anthony Veit, U. Mgr.

BRANCH 94 Jamie Benson

Brian Luke, U. Mgr.

BRANCH 97

Jason Brewer, U. Mgr.
Seth Edwards

**BRANCH A1** 

Fred DiVittorio, U. Mgr.

**BRANCH A4** 

**BRANCH A8** 

BRANCH B2

BRANCH B7 BRANCH C3

BRANCH C5

**BRANCH C6** 

Steven Hendrix BRANCH C8

**BRANCH C9** 

Donald Arnett Donovan Dock Reed Gempeler, U. Mgr.

BRANCH D5 BRANCH D8 BRANCH D9

Kevin LaFrance, U. Mgr Mitchell Ogas

BRANCH E1

Jason Munn

**BRANCH E4** 

**BRANCH E6** 

Neil Carlson, U. Mgr. Jim Grigsby, Mgr.

BRANCH E9 BRANCH F1

Gary Deese, U. Mgr.

BRANCH F2
Timothy Blair
Eugene Lowther

BRANCH F3
BRANCH F4
Jessica Sparks
BRANCH F6

**BRANCH F8** 

Andrew Bliss, U. Mgr. Andrew Coutavas Joanne Hoffman Donna Loupe

BRANCH F9

Charles Betz Christopher Johnson

BRANCH G1

Jennifer Whittaker

**BRANCH G2** 

**BRANCH G4** 

David Bottomley Judith Gindle, U. Mgr. Connie Smith, Mgr.

BRANCH G5 BRANCH G6 BRANCH G7

William Bamford Jr.

Kenneth Boggs Case Carpenter

Michael Castellano, U. Mgr. Christopher Fox, U. Mgr.

John Fox, U. Mgr. Richard Heath Karen Herrera

Macon Hughes Debra Lee

Rhonda Overstreet Christopher Perkins

Gregory Propps Lindsay Robertson John Rundlof, U. Mgr.

Mark Tames Justin White, Mgr.

BRANCH G8
Bonnie Coffel, U. Mgr.

Melissa Marte

Karen McKinney, U. Mgr. Brenda Simons

Sheryl Sisler, Mgr. Kathleen Taylor

BRANCH G9
Irene Burns, Mgr.
David Cantu

BRANCH H1

Dan Detwiler
David Endicott, U. Mgr.
Amy Newton

John Holmes, U. Mgr.

Michael Revella Craig Villwock, Mgr. Chris Villwock, U. Mgr.

BRANCH H3 Thomas Poydock

James Watson

Lorrie Rodriquez
BRANCH L3

Charles Johnson, U. Mgr.

United American recognizes Agents, Unit Managers and Branch Managers who are on schedule, as of March, for the 2005 National Sales

Convention. **The Convention will be held June 29 - July 2, 2006.**You must have the following net-net production to qualify.\*

Agents — \$28,749; Unit Managers — \$19,500 First Year / \$78,000 Total; and Branch Managers — \$39,000 First Year / \$156,000 Total.

\*To be listed, you must have a Quality of Business rate of at least 61% from the 4th month persistency report (or a Decline/Cancellation rate of less than 25% from the convention report if a QOB rate is not available), have inforce premium growth over 12/04, have a credit balance in your personal account (Branch Managers must have a credit in the Z account as well) and be above minimum standards.