

**Policy Authorizing the University of North Carolina Hospitals at Chapel Hill to
Initiate and Settle Lawsuits**

WHEREAS, it has been alleged that the University of North Carolina Hospitals at Chapel Hill, as a legal entity, has no authority independent of the University of North Carolina to initiate, prosecute, or settle lawsuits in its own name for the collection of unpaid patient accounts; and

WHEREAS, any such questions about the legal capacity of said agency to prosecute lawsuits is to conveniently resolved by an enabling resolution of the Board of Governors;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Governors, that the Attorney General of the State of North Carolina is authorized, under the provisions of N.C.G.S. § 116-3, to initiate any lawsuit on behalf of the University of North Carolina Hospitals at Chapel Hill, in the name of the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina, as the Attorney General may deem appropriate for the collection of any unpaid patient account. The president of the University of North Carolina Hospitals at Chapel Hill, or his delegee, is authorized to settle these lawsuits.