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## Legislation Text

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Public Health Department recommending the Director of said Department be authorized to sign retroactive Agreement CSUS NA070016 with California State University, Sacramento for the term September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2012 to allow nursing students to participate in internships with the County's Public Health Clinic.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve.

**Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost:** There is no fiscal impact or net County cost associated with this item.

**Background:** CSUS is working to set up current RN nursing students with internships in local public healthcare settings. The Department was approached by the University to establish a collaborative partnership to provide these students with clinical and educational experiences which would enhance their capabilities as practitioners. The County's Public Health Clinic would serve as an appropriate venue for this purpose.

Public Health staff shall work with CSUS in planning, coordinating, and implementing this internship program. Interns will perform services for patients/clients only when directly supervised by registered or licensed Department clinical staff. Interns shall work, perform assignments, and participate in clinics, staff meetings, and in-service educational programs at the discretion of those supervisors. Staff will also work with CSUS in evaluating each nursing student during the course of their internship. The presence of nursing interns in the Public Health Clinic will not interfere with the regular activities of the Clinic nor disrupt services to the public.

The term of this agreement is five (5) years.

**Reason for Recommendation:** In addition to providing nursing students with an opportunity to develop and strengthen their skills as healthcare practitioners, this internship program may later help the Department's recruiting efforts to attract qualified and motivated Public Health Nurses.

**Action to be taken following Board approval:** Director to sign two (2) copies of the attached agreement; Public Health to forward documents to CSUS for final execution; Public Health to return one fully executed document to Board Clerk's Office upon receipt from CSUS.

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**Concurrences:**