

Legislation Text

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Public Health Department recommending the Acting Director of said Department be authorized to sign the Clinical Internship Agreement 214-M0910 (CSUS PT080040) with California State University, Sacramento, for the term September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2013, to allow physical therapy students to participate in an internship program with the County at the Public Health facility located at 3060 Snows Road in Camino.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve.

BUDGET SUMMARY:	
Total Estimated Cost	\$0
Funding	
Budgeted	\$
New Funding	\$
Savings	\$
Other	\$
Total Funding Available	\$
Change To Net County Cost	\$0

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

Background: California State University, Sacramento (CSUS) is developing partnerships with local public healthcare settings for the physical therapy student program. The Department was approached by CSUS 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 facility on Snows Road will 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 Department supervisors. Staff will also work with CSUS in evaluating each student during the course of their internship. The presence of physical therapy interns in the Public Health facility will not interfere with the regular activities of the facility nor disrupt services to the public.

The term of this agreement is five (5) years, thus requiring Board approval.

Reason for Recommendation: In addition to providing physical therapy 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 physical therapists.

Action to be taken following Board approval:

- Department to mail two (2) signed copies of Agreement to CSUS.
- CSUS to return one (1) fully executed Agreement to Department.
- Department to return one (1) fully executed Agreement to Board Clerk's office.
- Department to distribute copies as appropriate.

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Concurrences: County Counsel & Risk Management