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February 4, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable School Board Members

FROM: Arlene S. Zimney, CPPB, C.P.M., Acting Purchasing Agent *AZ*

RE: Cooperative Agreement
Premier Community Healthcare

The District's Office for Career & Technical Education Department is requesting Board approval of the attached cooperative agreement with Premier Community Healthcare. This cooperative agreement will allow students in the Pasco County Schools Health Occupations Program to participate in an internship experience with learning opportunities determined by the program instructor and agreed upon by Premier Community HealthCare. The specific services are outlined in the agreement and are attached for your perusal.

At this time, we respectfully request for the Board to approve the attached Premier Community Healthcare cooperative agreement. There will be no cost to the District for these services.

This agreement will commence on February 18, 2014 and will continue through February 17, 2015. Nancy Alfonso, School Board Attorney, has reviewed and approved the attached agreement.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

ASZ/sb

Date/Time: January 29, 2014 08:29:00

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MEMORANDUM

CTE-074-13/14

February 4, 2014

To: Arlene Zimney, Acting Purchasing Agent

From: Rob Aguis, Director, Office for Career & Technical Education RA / (mm)

Subject: **Cooperative Agreement for First Year of Three-Year Contract with Premier Community HealthCare**

Description:

Approval is requested for a Cooperative Agreement with Premier Community HealthCare to allow students in the Pasco County Schools Health Occupations Program to participate in an internship experience with learning opportunities determined by the instructor and agreed upon by Premier Community HealthCare. These learning experiences will be non-paid and will be done with the direction and guidance of the program instructor. The internship provides students in the Health Occupations Program with opportunities to apply skills mastered in the classroom in a real-world work setting.

Action Requested:

School Board approval of a Cooperative Agreement with Premier Community HealthCare on February 4, 2014.

Recommendations:

The staff respectfully requests approval of a Cooperative Agreement with Premier Community HealthCare.

RA:rmh

Attachments

**COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN**

**Premier Community HealthCare
37912 Church Avenue
Dade City, FL 33525**

AND

THE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF PASCO COUNTY

FOR

PROVIDING CLINICAL EXPERIENCE FOR HEALTH OCCUPATIONS STUDENTS

I. PARTICIPATING AGENCIES:

The participating agencies in this agreement are Premier Community HealthCare and the District School Board of Pasco County.

II. STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT:

There is a mutual agreement between the Premier Community HealthCare (facility) and the District School Board of Pasco County (school), that Premier Community HealthCare will provide facilities and accept students from the Pasco County Schools Health Occupations Program for student experiences, in accordance with the provisions set forth in this agreement.

III. GENERAL PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT:

1. The education of the student shall be the primary purpose of the education programs.
2. The District School Board of Pasco County shall be responsible for the formal classroom education of the student.
3. The faculty of the school shall be responsible for selecting overall clinical learning experiences for the students. However, the students will gain practical knowledge by following the routine of the facility's employees.
4. The students will observe the duties of the employees of the facility while at the site, and will perform only those competencies agreed upon by the Director of the facility or his/her designee and the instructor.
5. The District School Board of Pasco County agrees to comply with the established policies and practices of the facility when such policies and practices are made known to it and they are not in conflict with School Board policies or State Board of Education rules and law.
6. The student will be responsible for providing his/her own lunch and transportation during the clinical experience.
7. Under this agreement, the facility provides opportunities for practical/clinical experiences, but maintains responsibility for the care and treatment of its patients.



8. If the administration of the facility has a complaint about the program or an individual student, it should bring it to the attention of the instructor.

IV. THE SCHOOL'S RESPONSIBILITY:

1. To maintain minimum standards required and adhere to the Program Standards and Curriculum Frameworks for each program as specified by the Florida Department of Education.
2. To employ qualified instructors (R.N.) who shall be responsible for implementing the philosophy, objectives and curricula of the school.
3. To ensure that its personnel undergo appropriate criminal background screening in accordance with state and federal requirements.
4. To provide concurrent related classroom instruction, as needed to meet the objectives of the program.
5. To maintain individual records of class and clinical instruction, and to evaluate the competency of each student.
6. To prepare and submit to the administrator of the facility a weekly schedule of training. The schedule will indicate the exact hours each student will work and will be posted. Any change in the schedule must be approved, in advance, and initialed by the facility's administrator or his/her designee.
7. Maintain at all times during the term of this agreement, professional liability insurance with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 per incident and \$3,000,000 in the aggregate or in such other amounts as may be agreed upon by both parties during the course of the program.
8. Students will provide proof of medical insurance in case of accident or injury of the trainee. This proof must be on file with the instructor prior to performing the clinical training.
9. Student must provide evidence of current physical examination indicating that he/she is in good health and free of any communicable disease or any ailment, which would hinder, in any way, the performance of his/her duties. A negative chest x-ray, or T.B. skin test is required as a part of this examination.
10. To provide identification (name tags and/or program patches) for each student trainee.
11. Students participating in the program must comply with the District School Board's Code of Student Conduct.
12. Students understand that this training does not guarantee employment at the facility.

V. THE FACILITY'S RESPONSIBILITY:

1. To allow the instructor and students to work with an assigned employee of the facility while performing their duties, in accordance with the agreed upon schedule.



2. To insure that any employee to which a student is assigned/supervised by has been screened with the appropriate background check as part of his/her employment and/or through the professional license/certificate process related to his/her position.
3. Provide a copy of the work schedule of the facility's employees assigned to work with students so that the instructor knows where each student is at all times.
4. To include members of the faculty of the school in facility meetings when policies to be discussed will affect or are related to the Health Occupations program.
5. The facility reserves the right to request the District School Board of Pasco County to withdraw any student from its facilities whose conduct and/or work with patients of the facility personnel is not in accordance with acceptable standards of performance, in the opinion of the facility's administrator.

VI. JOINTLY, EACH AGENCY WILL:

1. Be responsible for the orientation of the instructor and to initiate conferences between the instructor, and administrator(s) whenever there is a need.
2. Provide feedback on the clinical experience.
3. Share and assist in the supervision and guidance of students.

VII. STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

HIPAA. Each of the parties hereby represents and warrants and covenants that it is presently taking and will continue to take all actions necessary to assure that it shall, on or before each applicable compliance date and continuously thereafter, comply with Public Law 104-191 of August 21, 1996, known as the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA") and its implementing regulations, including without limitation, the Standards for Electronic Transactions and Code Sets (45 CFR Parts 160 and 162), the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information (45 CFR Parts 160 and 164), the Security Standards for the Protection of Electronic Protected Health Information (45 CFR Parts 160 and 164) and such other regulations that may, from time to time, be promulgated thereunder.

VIII. MODIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENT:

Modification of this agreement shall be made by mutual consent of both parties. A memorandum noting the modifications shall be attached to this agreement and shall include the date and signature of both parties agreeing to it.

IX. DISCONTINUANCE OF AGREEMENT:

If either party to this agreement wishes to terminate this agreement, it is understood that at least thirty days written notice shall be given by either participating agency, provided that students currently enrolled in the program shall be permitted to complete the course.



X. RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT:

The term of this agreement shall remain in effect for one (1) year and thereafter may be renewed annually for up to two (2) additional one (1) year terms by mutual agreement of the parties, until otherwise terminated by either party as provided herein. The first year of the agreement covers the period from February 18, 2014 through February 17, 2015. This agreement and subsequent renewals will be subject to final approval by the School Board. Any mutually agreed upon changes will be by written amendments and will be effective at the beginning of the renewal date(s).

XI. VENUE:

Venue for any and all legal action regarding or arising out of the transaction covered herein shall be solely in the appropriate Court in and for Pasco County, State of Florida.

XII. HOLD HARMLESS:

As provided for under common law, and to the extent specifically authorized by Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, each of the parties to this Agreement hereby agrees to indemnify and hold the other party hereto harmless from and against all damages of any nature whatsoever which are caused or materially contributed to by the negligent acts of any officer, employee, and agent or other representative of the indemnifying party acting within the course and scope of his/her employment and which are not caused or materially contributed to by any officer, employee, agent or other representative of the indemnified party acting within the course and scope of his/her employment. It is further agreed that liability and exposure for indemnification (including, but not limited to the amounts of any indemnification owed by a governmental entity) will be limited to and governed by the provisions of Section 768.28 (5), Florida Statute.

To the extent required by §119.0701, Florida Statute (2013), the Parties agree that public records created regarding this agreement shall be made available for requests and retained in accordance with the provisions of law.

XIII. FORCE MAJEURE:

This contract is subject to Act of God or government regulation, disaster, strikes, civil disorder, or other emergency, including the Department of Homeland Security issuing a "Red Alert" making it illegal or impossible to provide services.

XIV. CIVIL RIGHTS

The School and the Facility complies with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and related regulations, assures that it does not and will not, discriminate against any student who is a potential employee in the on-the-job training program because of race, color, creed, sex, national origin or handicap.

XV. RIGHTS:

The rights under this agreement may not be delegated by either party to this agreement unless said party first obtains the expressed written consent of the other party.

CONTRACT REVIEWED
AND APPROVED:


Az 1/17/14

XVI. COPIES OF THIS AGREEMENT:

Copies of this agreement shall be placed on file, and be available to the following:

1. Administrator, Premier Community HealthCare
2. Supervisor, Career and Technical Education
3. Health Occupations Instructor

Premier Community HealthCare

Signature: 
Print Name: Kim Schuknecht
Date: 1-14-14

District School Board of Pasco County

Signature: _____
Print Name: _____
Date: _____

