



**Contra  
Costa  
County**

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: William Walker, M.D., Health Services Director  
Date: February 6, 2018

Subject: Unpaid Student Training Agreement #26-283-9 with Samuel Merritt University

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Health Services Director, or designee, to execute Unpaid Student Training Agreement #26-283-9 with Samuel Merritt University, a California corporation and educational institution, to provide supervised field instruction to nursing, physical therapist, podiatry, and occupational therapist students at Contra Costa Regional Medical Center and Health Centers for the period from April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2020.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Not applicable.

**BACKGROUND:**

The purpose of this agreement is to provide Samuel Merritt University nursing, physical therapist, podiatry, and occupational therapist students with the opportunity to integrate academic knowledge with applied skills at progressively higher levels of performance and responsibility.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

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Action of Board On: **02/06/2018** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: February 6, 2018

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

Contact: Anna Roth,  
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## BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Supervised fieldwork experience for students is considered to be an integral part of both educational and professional preparation. The Health Services Department can provide the requisite field education, while at the same time, benefiting from the students' services to patients.

On February 9, 2016, the Board of Supervisors approved Contract #26-283-7 (as amended by Amendment Agreement #26-283-8) with Samuel Merritt University for the provision of supervised fieldwork instruction experience with the Health Services Department for the period from April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2018.

Approval of Unpaid Student Training Agreement #26-283-9 Samuel Merritt University students to receive supervised fieldwork instruction experience at Contra Costa Regional Medical Center and Health Centers, through March 31, 2020.

## CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this contract is not approved, the students will not receive supervised fieldwork instruction experience at Contra Costa Regional Medical Center and Health Centers.