UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER OF SOUTHERN NEVADA
BOARD OF HOSPITAL TRUSTEES
AGENDA ITEM

Issue: Amendment Two to Agreement for Physician Medical Directorship of the Pediatric Pulmonology Department with Children’s Lung Specialists, Craig Nakamura, M.D., Ltd. d/b/a Children’s Lung Specialists.

Petitioner: Kathleen Silver, Chief Executive Officer, University Medical Center

That the Board of Hospital Trustees approve Amendment Two to Agreement for Physician Medical Directorship of the Pediatric Pulmonology Department between Children’s Lung Specialists, Craig Nakamura, M.D., Ltd. d/b/a Children’s Lung Specialists and University Medical Center of Southern Nevada; and authorize the Chief Executive Officer to sign the amendment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

$100,000.00 per year for Pediatric Pulmonology Directorship duties
$75.00 per hour for Pediatric Pulmonology Clinic duties
Funded by Operating Budget

BACKGROUND:

On March 21, 2006, UMC entered into an agreement with Ruben Diaz, M.D., Ltd., d/b/a Children’s Lung Specialists for Physician Medical Directorship of the Pediatric Pulmonology Department. The facility was owned by Dr. Reuben Diaz who passed away unexpectedly sometime in 2005.

Amendment One, effective October 16, 2007, changed all references in the agreement from Ruben Diaz, M.D., Ltd., d/b/a Children’s Lung Specialists to Children’s Lung Specialist, Craig Nakamura, M.D., LTD.

Amendment Two requests to: a) extend the agreement through January 31, 2012; b) adjusts the professional fees from $110,000.00 per year to $100,000.00 per year; and c) updates the contract language on Pediatric Cystic Fibrosis Clinic Scope of Work, Clinic Personnel and Services, Termination Conditions, False Claims Act, Time Study Reports, and Temporary Staffing/Third-Party Equipment guidelines.

Either party may terminate the agreement with a 180-day written notice.

Dr. Nakamura is the only Board Certified Pediatric Pulmonologist in Southern Nevada and his services are considered highly specialized.

This new agreement represents a savings of 10% or $30,000.00 over the contract term compared to the previous Pulmonology contract. This also terminates a separate Cystic Fibrosis Clinic Agreement UMC had with Dr. Nakamura and merged that agreement’s Scope of Work into this agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Silver
Chief Executive Officer

Cleared for Agenda
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