



Many residents have requested elective rotations with the Indian Health Service. Training in rural, low resource settings enhances their preparation for future rural health practice as well as develops their skills in caring for many of the medical conditions found commonly among underserved populations. Offering this elective experience will enhance our ability to recruit the best residency applicants.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

The Office of County Counsel reviewed and approved this agreement as to form. The agreement was reviewed and approved by NMC's Special Finance Committee and Board of Trustees on September 11, 2020.

**FINANCING:**

There is no cost associated with this education agreement.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:**

Supporting Family Medicine Resident electives with the Indian Health Service enhances preparation and skill of our Natividad Family Medicine Residency graduates, many of whom stay to practice primary care in Monterey County. Offering elective opportunities such as this one makes our residency more attractive to medical students who are committed to public service and therefore more likely to practice primary care where there is greatest need, particularly in rural areas of the county.

- Economic Development
- Administration
- Health and Human Services
- Infrastructure
- Public Safety

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Attachments:

Albuquerque Area Indian Health Service Education Agreement

Attachments on file with the Clerk of the Board