



# County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors  
Chambers  
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor  
Salinas, CA 93901

## Board Report

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**File #:** A 20-005, **Version:** 1

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- b. Approve the NMC Chief Executive Officer's recommendation to accept non-standard indemnification and insurance provisions within the agreement.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

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### **SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

- Family medicine residents will rotate at the VA Medical Center under the supervision of VA attending physicians to augment their clinical experiences with additional training that is not available at Natividad. This includes but is not limited to geriatrics, outpatient psychiatry and substance use counseling, and dermatology.
- These opportunities will enhance our residents' preparation to provide excellent primary care to our patients at Natividad and to their future patients after residency.

### **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

County Counsel reviewed and approved this education agreement as to legal form, and the Auditor-Controller reviewed and approved as to payment provisions. The education agreement was reviewed and approved by NMC's Finance Committee on November 21, 2019 and by its Board of Trustees on December 13, 2019.

### **FINANCING:**

There is no cost associated with this education agreement.

### **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:**

Most of the practicing family physicians in Monterey County are graduates of the Natividad Family Medicine Residency program. This program aims to strengthen the pool of primary care physicians in the area and thereby further enhancing healthcare for Monterey County residents.

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

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Attachments:  
Department of Veterans Affairs Education Agreement

Attachments on file with the Clerk of the Board