

County of Monterey

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

Board Report

File #: RES 14-097, Version: 1

Adopt Resolution to:

a. Amend Personnel Policies and Practices Resolution (PPPR) No. 98-394, Section A.48.3 Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner - Per Diem language; and

b. Authorize the Human Resources Department to implement these changes.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY:

This action amends Personnel Policies and Practices Resolution No. 98-394, Section A.48.3 language related to special pay practices for the classification of Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner approved by your Board on March 26, 2013.

DISCUSSION:

The Monterey County Health Department is contracted to provide Sexual Assault Forensic Exam services. The Health Department employs a Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) Coordinator who trains, schedules and oversees the work of sexual assault forensic examiners who provide on-site adult suspected sexual assault and pediatric suspected sexual abuse exams on both victims and suspects as part of the County's SART interdisciplinary team comprised of the examiner, a law enforcement officer and an advocate. The Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner also testifies in court as required.

Sexual assault forensic exam is a specialized field requiring advanced training of medical practitioners in adult and pediatric forensic exams. Pursuant to California Penal Code 13823.5 (e), a SAFE must be a Qualified Health Care Professional, defined as: Any physician or surgeon, or a nurse or a professional registered nurse working in consultation with a physician and surgeon who conducts examinations or provides treatment in a general acute care hospital or in a physicians or surgeon's office.

Recommended changes to the PPPR No. 98-394 Section A.48.3 Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner - Per Diem are as per the attachment. In summary the changes are as follows:

- Correction of CA Medical Institute to California Clinical Forensic Medical Training Center (CCFMTC) or other pre-approved provider;
- Deletion of language "Eligible for this training stipend after one year of being a SAFE" under Pediatric Examinations; and
- Deletion of language referencing method of training based on licensure.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Human Resources Department has reviewed and approved this action.

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FINANCING:

There are no financial impacts related to this action.

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Attachment: Resolution and Amendment to PPPR No. 98-394 is on file with the Clerk of the Board