

Board Report

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<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:

It is recommended the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

TCAR (Trauma Care after Resuscitation) is a 16 hour educational program developed specifically for Trauma Care after the patient is admitted to the inpatient floor. NMC is a Level II Trauma Center and as such is required to provide appropriate ongoing education for staff to maintain competency and update their knowledge specific to our complex trauma patients. TCAR is a nationally recognized program and all nurses in Intensive Care Unit, Intermediate Care, Post Anesthesia Care Unit and Medical Surgical Unit will be required to attend. The core concepts presented in TCAR reflect evidence-based practices and standardized requirements to ensure trauma patients receive the best possible care at NMC.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel has reviewed and approved this agreement as to legal form. The agreement was reviewed and approved by NMC's Finance Committee on April 2, 2018 and by its Board of Trustees on April 6, 2018.

FINANCING:

The cost for this agreement is \$51,000 of which \$35,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Adopted Budget. Amounts for remaining years of the agreement will be included in those budgets as appropriate.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

Supporting the TCAR Program at NMC leads to a stronger Trauma Program through ongoing education and evidence based care updates for staff caring for our patients. Ultimately, the TCAR program benefits the Monterey County residents through promotion of continued excellence in trauma care.

- Economic Development
- ____ Administration
- \underline{X} Health and Human Services
- ___ Infrastructure
- ___ Public Safety

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Attachments: Visionem, Inc. dba TCAR Education Programs Agreement

Attachments on file with the Clerk of the Board