

# **CITY OF LONG BEACH**

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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April 19, 2016

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute Affiliation Agreements and any necessary amendments thereto, with the entities listed below for student field placement, internship and preceptorship with the City. (Citywide)

## **DISCUSSION**

Institutions of higher learning and hospitals regularly contact the Health and Human Services Department (Health Department) to request field placement of their students or residents-in-training. The placements range from undergraduate students seeking experience working in public affairs, administration, public health, and social work, to nursing students and residents-in-training seeking to engage in a clinical rotation at the Health Department.

The following institutions have requested to enter into an Affiliation Agreement with the City to allow their students and residents-in-training to intern or be placed with the Health Department to expand and gain first-hand knowledge of working in a public health setting. This program is beneficial to the City in that the students, while on rotation, learn about the role and function of the Health Department, and the importance of public health in the community. The students and residents-in-training provide enhanced clinical and program capacity during the term of their rotation at the Health Department. These programs also serve as sites for the Health Department to recruit future public health professionals. The entities currently requesting Affiliation Agreements include:

- Western University
- Walden University

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber on March 30, 2016 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on March 31, 2016.

#### TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council approval is requested on April 19, 2016, to ensure the agreements are in place expeditiously and to commence program and clinical rotation activities.

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# FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal or local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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DIRECTOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**APPROVED:** 

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER