

## **FUTURE ACTION ITEM #8**

### **Approval and Delegation of Authority -- Agreements for Medical Residencies (Kirk Schulz/Leslie Brunelli/Daryll DeWald)**

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

**SUBJECT:** Approval and Delegation of Authority – Agreements for Medical Residencies

**PROPOSED:** That the Board of Regents approve (and/or ratify) current master agreements for medical residencies and delegate to the President or designee authority to approve agreements executed pursuant to the master agreements

**SUBMITTED BY:** Kirk Schulz, President  
Leslie Brunelli, Executive Vice President, Finance & Administration/CFO  
Daryll DeWald, Executive Vice President for Health Sciences and Chancellor, WSU Spokane

**SUPPORTING INFORMATION:** The Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine (ESFCOM) launched a Graduate Medical Education (GME) program, also referred to as a medical residency program, approximately four years ago. In 2021, it welcomed its first cohort of residents. ESFCOM has formed relationships with certain major affiliates to serve as sites for medical residents' education. A "major affiliate" is one where the affiliate's site (such as a hospital) is a primary site for the education of WSU residents. To date, the major affiliates are Providence Regional Medical Center Everett for internal medicine, Pullman Regional Hospital for family medicine, and Providence Sacred Heart for pediatric medicine.

For each major affiliate, the relationship is first established in a Master Affiliation Agreement (MAA). The MAA has a five-year term and serves as the foundation of the residency program. However, it does not include a specific financial commitment.

The financial terms for the residency program are set forth in subsequent annual documents called Financial Services Agreements (FSAs). FSAs are entered each year during the term of the MAA and set forth that year's financial terms. For example, an FSA could set forth funding sources (such

as grants, federal payments, or contributions of the parties), as well as a requirement for the major affiliate to reimburse WSU for costs of the medical residents assigned to the affiliate.

Up to this point, WSU has executed each MAA as a non-monetary agreement because MAAs contain no specific financial commitments. WSU then executed each FSA as a separate agreement, as each has only a one-year term. These were executed within the President or designee's delegated signature authority, which the Regents increased to \$15 million at the November 2023 meeting.

As ESFCOM's GME program has grown, WSU has determined that it would be beneficial to undertake from the outset a more holistic evaluation of the total program costs for a major affiliate residency. In addition to modifying the way we analyze these agreements, we are adopting an updated process in which major affiliate MAAs are presented to the Regents for discussion and approval prior to execution. An estimated cost projection for the full term of the MAA would be provided to the Regents at that time.

Under this revised process, if the Regents approve the major affiliate MAA, WSU will simultaneously request that the Board delegate to the President or designee the authority, without dollar restriction, to sign the MAA as well as any FSAs or other agreements with the major affiliate when executed in furtherance of the MAA during its full term and any extensions of the term.

To bring existing major affiliate agreements into compliance with the above-described updated process, we request approval/ratification of the following MAAs and delegation of authority accordingly.

- Providence Regional Medical Center Everett
- Pullman Regional Hospital
- Sacred Heart Medical Center and Children's Hospital

Each MAA is attached, as is a summary of five-year costs for each major affiliate.

**ATTACHMENTS:** Attachment A – GME Five-Year Costs

Attachment B -- Master Affiliation Agreement with Providence Health and Services d/b/a Providence Regional Medical Center Everett

Attachment C -- Master Affiliation Agreement between ESFCOM and Pullman Regional Hospital

Attachment D -- Master Affiliation Agreement with Providence Health and Services d/b/a Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center & Children's Hospital

# BOARD OF REGENTS

## Approval and Delegation of Authority

### Master Affiliation Agreement with Providence Health and Services

#### d/b/a Providence Regional Medical Center Everett

#### Resolution #240126-700

WHEREAS, RCW 28B.30.095, RCW 28B.30.100, and RCW 28B.30.150 vest the governance and management of Washington State University (WSU) in the Board of Regents of WSU (Board); and

WHEREAS, the Board, by virtue of RCW 28B.10.528, has the authority to delegate by resolution to the President of WSU, or their designee, any of the powers and duties vested in or imposed upon the Board by law; and

WHEREAS, the Board has delegated broad authority to the President or designee to act in matters relating to the general business and financial affairs of WSU;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the Board approves and ratifies the Master Affiliation Agreement (MAA) between Washington State University, through its Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine, and Providence Health and Services d/b/a Providence Regional Medical Center Everett, such MAA having an effective date of March 20, 2020, and the Board delegates to the President or designee the authority without limit to approve and execute all financial services and other agreements executed in furtherance of and in accordance with such MAA for the initial term of the agreement, as well as any extensions of that term.

Signed the 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024.

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Chair, Board of Regents

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Secretary, Board of Regents

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## Approval and Delegation of Authority

### Master Affiliation Agreement with Pullman Regional Hospital

#### Resolution #240126-701

WHEREAS, RCW 28B.30.095, RCW 28B.30.100, and RCW 28B.30.150 vest the governance and management of Washington State University (WSU) in the Board of Regents of WSU (Board); and

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WHEREAS, the Board has delegated broad authority to the President or designee to act in matters relating to the general business and financial affairs of WSU;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the Board approves and ratifies the Master Affiliation Agreement (MAA) between Washington State University, through its Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine, and Pullman Regional Hospital, such MAA having an effective date of May 4, 2020, and the Board delegates to the President or designee the authority without limit to approve and execute all financial services and other agreements executed in furtherance of and in accordance with such MAA for the initial term of the agreement, as well as any extensions of that term.

Signed the 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024.

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## Approval and Delegation of Authority

Master Affiliation Agreement with Providence Health and Services

d/b/a Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center & Children's Hospital

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WHEREAS, the Board has delegated broad authority to the President or designee to act in matters relating to the general business and financial affairs of WSU;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the Board approves and ratifies the Master Affiliation Agreement (MAA) between Washington State University, through its Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine, and Providence Health and Services d/b/a Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center & Children's Hospital, such MAA having an effective date of March 15, 2023, and the Board delegates to the President or designee the authority without limit to approve and execute all financial services and other agreements executed in furtherance of and in accordance with such MAA for the initial term of the agreement, as well as any extensions of that term.

Signed the 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024.

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