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Board of Supervisors Kern County Administrative Center 1115 Truxtun Avenue Bakersfield, CA 93301

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR PHYSICIAN RESIDENCY PROGRAMS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010

Fiscal Impact: \$130,000 FY 2009-2010; KMC Enterprise Fund; Budgeted; Discretionary

Kern Medical Center (KMC) requests your Board approve the expenditure of funds from the KMC Enterprise Fund Budget Unit 8997 for expenses related to activities associated with the physician residency programs sponsored by KMC. KMC sponsors seven residency and fellowship programs offering graduate medical education to 116 residents in Emergency Medicine, Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Obstetrics/Gynecology, General Surgery, Psychiatry, and Transitional Year. All programs have full accreditation granted by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education.

As part of the ongoing training and education of the residents, expenses are incurred related to activities such as research forums, certification training, the resident graduation ceremony, and resident educational retreats. The estimated annual expenditure for these functions is \$130,000. These programs are funded through funds received from medical schools to provide resident physician education.

On November 27, 2007, your Board took action to establish the Medical Education Trust Fund to receive money for hospital activities related to resident physician education and appropriated funding from this trust fund to the KMC Enterprise Fund Budget Unit 8997, to fund the aforementioned activities. KMC is now requesting approval from your Board to expend these funds for the activities previously mentioned since these types of activities are not functions considered routine expenditures for hospital operations. Funds for these expenditures have been included in the FY 2009-2010 budget approved by your Board.

Therefore, IT IS RECOMMENDED that your Board approve the expenditure of funds from the Kern Medical Center Enterprise Fund Budget Unit 8997 in an amount not to exceed \$130,000, for expenses related to the physician residency programs during FY 2009-2010.

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