Approved by the Regents June 20, 2019

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:	Regental Action Required Under the State of Michigan Conflict of Interest Statute
Action Requested:	Authorization for the University to enter into an agreement with MoxyTech, Inc. (University of Michigan Employee, Alexandre DaSilva, Owner).

Background:

The University of Michigan School of Nursing seeks approval to enter into an agreement with MoxyTech, Inc. for research support for use of the GeoPain @Home App. The study will aim to identify predictors of daily pain and opioid use in patients with sickle cell disease. MoxyTech, Inc. will also provide a modification to prepare the app to include features that allow users to graph their pain on anatomically accurate 3D models. MoxyTech, Inc. was selected as they have previous experience working with cancer patients at the University of Michigan.

The proposed agreement falls under the State of Michigan Conflict of Interest Statute as Alexandre DaSilva is a University employee as Associate Professor in the School of Dentistry and would be party to the agreement as Owner of MoxyTech, Inc.

However, the Statute allows the University to enter into such agreements if the following conditions are met:

- a) The public servant promptly discloses any pecuniary interest in the contract to the official body which has power to approve the purchase, which disclosure shall be a matter of record in its official proceedings.
- b) The purchase is approved by a vote of not less than 2/3 of the full membership of the approving body in open session without the vote of the public servant making the disclosure.
- c) The official body discloses the following summary information in its official minutes:
 - i) The name of each party involved in the contract.
 - ii) The terms of the purchase, including duration, financial consideration between the parties, facilities or services of the public entity included in the purchase, and the nature and degree of assignment of employees of the public entity for fulfillment of the purchase.
 - iii) The nature of any pecuniary interest.

The following information is provided in compliance with the statutory requirements contained in Section (c) above:

- i) The parties to the contract are the Regents of the University of Michigan and its School of Nursing and MoxyTech, Inc.
- The agreement is for a duration of one year at a total cost not to exceed \$4,219. MoxyTech, Inc. will be supplying all the necessary resources and personnel to fulfill this contract. The remaining base contract terms and conditions are typical to those used in Procurement Services standard templates for other similar contracts entered into by the Regents.
- iii) The pecuniary interest arises from the fact that University of Michigan employee, Alexandre DaSilva, is Owner of MoxyTech, Inc.

Alexandre DaSilva has met state law requirements with the disclosure of his pecuniary interest and formal appointment arrangements with the University of Michigan. Requirements, if any, that may be applicable by the supervisor of Alexandre DaSilva, under the Medical School's or OVPR's Conflict of Interest Committee's procedures are separately analyzed and managed.

<u>We recommend</u> that the Board of Regents approve the agreement between the University of Michigan and MoxyTech, Inc. subject to requirements, if any, that the supervisor of Alexandre DaSilva or the Medical School's or OVPR's Conflict of Interest Committee may impose.

Respectfully stamitted, egarty Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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