THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

Approved by the Regents March 18, 2010

ACTION REQUEST

| Subject: | Regental Action Required Under the State of Michigan Conflict of Interest Statute |
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| Action Requested: | Authorization for the University to make a Payment to Joyce LuRae Brown (University of Michigan Employee Joyce LuRae Brown) |

Background:

The University of Michigan-Flint School of Health Professions and Studies Urban Health and Wellness Center ("SHPS") seeks approval to make a one-time payment to Joyce LuRae Brown for used CPR training equipment. Ms. Brown was selected to provide this equipment because of its nearly new condition and reasonable pricing.

The proposed purchase falls under the State of Michigan Conflict of Interest Statute as Joyce LuRae Brown is a University employee and would be a party to the contract as an individual re-seller. However, the Statute allows the University to enter into such contracts 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 involved in the payment are the Regents of the University of Michigan, SHPS and Joyce LuRae Brown.

- ii) The one-time payment is for an AED training system, an adult and a baby CPR manikin, carrying cases, bag masks, valves, face shields and additional accessories at no charge for a total cost of \$1,386.20.
- iii) The pecuniary interest arises from the fact that Joyce LuRae Brown, a University employee as a Tobacco Treatment Specialist in the MHealthy affiliated UMHS Tobacco Consultation Service, is the individual re-seller.

Ms. Brown has met state law requirements with the disclosure of her pecuniary interest and formal appointment arrangements with the University of Michigan. Requirements, if any, that may be applicable 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 payment between the University of Michigan and Joyce LuRae Brown subject to requirements, if any, that either the Medical School's or OVPR's Conflict of Interest Committee may impose.

Respectfully submitted Timothy P. Slottov

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