

**SUMMARY OF REQUEST**

**DATE:** June 28, 2023

**FACILITY:** Broward Health Physician Group

**PROGRAM/PRODUCT LINE:** Interventional Neurology

**REQUEST:** Approval to renew a two-year employment agreement with compensation up to the 84th percentile with Dr. Celso Agner to provide Interventional Neurology Services at Broward Health Medical Center.


**PURPOSE:** To continue to provide interventional neurology services in support of community need in the Broward Health Medical Center Region.

**CAPITAL REQUIRED:** None

**FINAL FMV REPORT RECEIVED<sup>1</sup>:** Date of Final FMV Report: June 21, 2023

Name of the person attesting that Final FMV Report has been received and that final FMV Report percentile is identical to FMV percentile stated in this report.

Name: Joshua Lenchus, DO, SVP, Chief Medical Officer




Signature: [Joshua Lenchus \(May 15, 2023 23:44 EDT\)](#)

**FISCAL IMPACT:** An independent third-party appraiser has determined: (1) the arrangement to be commercially reasonable, and (2) the total maximum compensation is within Fair Market Value (FMV).

**BUDGET STATUS:** Budgeted.

**PRACTITIONER CV<sup>2</sup>:** See attached.

**LEGAL REVIEW:** The contract is subject to General Counsel's review and approval as to legal form and conditioned on no material changes in the approved business terms.

**APPROVED:**  Shane Strum  
06/26/2023 13:20 EDT DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Shane Strum, President/CEO

<sup>1</sup> This applies to physician/physician group contracts

<sup>2</sup> This applies to physician contracts

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Board of Commissioners

**FROM:** Shane Strum, President/Chief Executive Officer

**DATE:** June 28, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Approval to renew a two-year employment agreement with compensation up to the 84th percentile with Dr. Celso Agner to provide Interventional Neurology Services at a Broward Health Medical Center.

**BACKGROUND**

The North Broward Hospital District, d/b/a Broward Health is seeking to renew a two-year employment agreement with total maximum compensation up to the 84th percentile with Dr. Celso Agner. Dr. Agner is a doctor of medicine, having received a medical degree from the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Sao Paulo in Sao Paulo, Brazil in 1993. He completed a residency in Neurology at Albany Medical Center in Albany, New York in 2003, a fellowship in Neurological Critical Care/ Stroke at Albany Medical Center in Albany, New York in 2004, a fellowship in Neuroendovascular Surgery at Albany Medical Center in Albany, New York in 2006, and a visiting fellowship in Interventional Neurology at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 2010. Dr. Agner is board certified in Neurology and Vascular Neurology and has obtained and currently maintains an unrestricted license to practice medicine in the State of Florida.

It is critical for the community and healthcare system to employ Interventional Neurology specialists to meet the current and future growing demands. As a safety net hospital, the District is obligated to provide services to meet the community needs.

**PRACTITIONER C.V.<sup>3</sup>**

Attached.

**ACTION/PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

We are requesting the Board of Commissioners to approve renewing a two-year contract with Dr. Celso Agner with compensation up to the 84th percentile.

Broward Health is requesting that the Board of Commissioners authorize the District to renew a new agreement with Dr. Celso Agner, for a two-year term. An independent third-party appraisal report determined that the proposed arrangement is commercially reasonable, and the compensation is within fair market value (FMV).

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**FINAL FMV REPORT<sup>4</sup>**

**Date of Final FMV Report:** June 21, 2023

**FINANCIAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT**

The proposed salary is budgeted for FY 23.

**JUSTIFICATION**

Broward Health has documented and objectively determined that there is a legitimate business purpose for the services of a qualified neurology specialist to provide clinical care at Broward Health Medical Center. As a safety net hospital, the District is obligated to provide services to meet the community needs.

According to the Community Needs Assessment, there is a documented need of 14.8 neurology specialists at Broward Health Medical Center by 2025. Recommendations from the Community Needs Assessment suggest that access to care is a priority and specifically a need to enhance access to specialists throughout the service area.

Dr. Agner will continue to provide Interventional Neurology services to meet community and healthcare system needs.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**Therefore, it is requested that the Board of Commissioners of the North Broward Hospital District authorize the District to renew a two-year employment agreement with compensation up to the 84th percentile with Dr. Celso Agner to provide Interventional Neurology Services at Broward Health Medical Center.**

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