

SUMMARY OF REQUEST

DATE: March 29, 2023

FACILITY: Broward Health Medical Center (“BHMC”) and Broward Health North (“BHN”)

PROGRAM/PRODUCT LINE: Vascular surgery call coverage.

REQUEST: Approval to enter into Emergency Department concurrent and non-concurrent call coverage agreements for vascular surgery services at the 79th, 84th, and 87th percentiles at BHMC and BHN.

PURPOSE: To continue to provide required call coverage for vascular services.

CAPITAL REQUIRED: Not Applicable

FINAL FMV REPORT RECEIVED¹: Date of Final FMV Report: February 7, 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: Heather Havericak

Signature:  Heather Miller Havericak (Mar 3, 2023 16:24 EST)

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 CV²: None

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
03/17/2023 14:54 EDT DATE: _____
Shane Strum, President/CEO

¹ This applies to physician/physician group contracts

² This applies to physician contracts

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Commissioners

FROM: Shane Strum, President/Chief Executive Officer

DATE: March 29, 2023

SUBJECT: Approval to enter into Emergency Department concurrent and non-concurrent call coverage agreements for vascular surgery services at the 79th, 84th, and 87th percentiles at BHMC and BHN.

BACKGROUND

The District is requesting approval to enter into contractual agreements above the 75th percentile for vascular surgery concurrent and non-concurrent call coverage in the Emergency Departments at BHMC and BHN. The regions have documented and objectively determined there is a legitimate business purpose for qualified physicians to provide vascular surgery call coverage services.

PRACTITIONER C.V.³

None

ACTION/PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Broward Health is requesting that the Board of Commissioners of the North Broward Hospital District authorize the District to enter concurrent and non-concurrent call coverage contracts above the 75th percentile. Specifically, the rates will be as follows: (i) vascular surgery concurrent call coverage at BHMC and BHN at the 79th percentile; (ii) vascular surgery call coverage at BHN at the 84th percentile; and (iii) vascular surgery call coverage at BHMC at the 87th percentile. A valuation report was completed by an independent third-party appraisal company which determined that the proposed arrangements are commercially reasonable, and the compensation is within fair market value.

FINAL FMV REPORT⁴

Date of Final FMV Report: February 7, 2023

FINANCIAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT

The proposed compensation for the call coverage arrangements are budgeted for fiscal year 2023.

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JUSTIFICATION

The District has documented and objectively determined that there is a legitimate business purpose to continue to provide compensation for vascular surgery call coverage services at BHMC and BHN. Hospitals are required under the Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act of 1986 (“EMTALA”) to provide evaluation of management of patients presenting to its Emergency Department. In accordance with EMTALA, BHMC and BHN have a documented need to contract with the physicians and physician groups to provide unrestricted call coverage for patients presenting to the hospitals’ Emergency Departments. Because of physician shortages, it has become essential for concurrent and non-concurrent call coverage to be provided to fulfill the need for ongoing patient care in these areas.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Therefore, it is requested that the Board of Commissioners of the North Broward Hospital District authorize the District to enter into Emergency Department call coverage contracts at the 79th percentile for vascular surgery concurrently at Broward Health Medical Center and Broward Health North, at the 84th percentile for vascular surgery at Broward Health North, and at the 87th percentile for vascular surgery at Broward Health Medical Center.