

## OFFICE OF VINCENT C. GRAY CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON HOSPITAL AND HEALTH EQUITY COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Chairman Phil Mendelson

**FROM:** Councilmember Vincent C. Gray, Chairperson, Committee on Hospital and

Health Equity. Councilmember Christina Henderson, Chairperson,

Committee on Health.

**DATE:** November 1, 2023

SUBJECT: Request to Place Emergency Measures on the Agenda for November 7, 2023

Legislative Meeting

This memo is to request that the following measures be placed on the agenda for the November 7, 2023 Legislative Meeting:

- Modification 1 to Contract No. NFPHC-ER-23-C between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation and George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates, Inc., Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Act of 2023
- Modification 1 to Contract No. NFPHC-ER-23-C between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation and George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates, Inc. Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023

This emergency legislation and declaration resolution would provide retroactive approval for Modification 1 to Contract No. NFPHC-ER-23-C between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation, commonly known as United Medical Center ("Hospital"), and George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates, Inc., ("GW MFA") for the provision of emergency department services, and to authorize payment for the services received and to be received under the Contract.

To avoid a break in services, proposed Modification 1 is being submitted retroactively because of the additional time that was needed for negotiations. Council action is now necessary to approve

Modification 1, which seeks to exercise Option Year 1 in the amount of \$7,945,816.52 for a 12-month period (October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024).

Emergency approval of this legislation and declaration resolution would approve Modification 1 to Contract No. NFPHC-ER-23-C and would enable George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates, Inc., ("GW MFA") for the provision of emergency department services at UMC.

- Modification 1 to Contract No. NFPHC-HL-23-C between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation and George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates, Inc., Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Act of 2023
- Modification 1 to Contract No. NFPHC-HL-23-C between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation and George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates, Inc. Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023

This emergency legislation and declaration resolution would provide retroactive approval for Modification 1 to Contract No. NFPHC-HL-23-C between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation, commonly known as United Medical Center ("Hospital"), and George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates, Inc., ("GW MFA") for the provision of Inpatient Hospitalists services, and to authorize payment for the services received and to be received under the Contract.

To avoid a break in services, proposed Modification 1 is being submitted retroactively because of the additional time that was needed for negotiations. Council action is now necessary to approve Modification 1, which seeks to exercise Option Year 1 in the amount of \$5,978,204.84 for a 12-month period (October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024).

Emergency approval of this legislation and declaration resolution would approve Modification 1 to Contract No. NFPHC-HL-23-C and would enable George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates, Inc., ("GW MFA") for the provision of Inpatient Hospitalists services at UMC.

- Modifications 9 and 10 to Contract No. NFPHCNUR-19-C-003 between Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation and Contemporary Nursing Solutions Inc. Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Amendment Act of 2023
- Modifications 9 and 10 to Contract No. NFPHCNUR-19-C-003 between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation and Contemporary Nursing Solutions Inc. Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023

This emergency legislation and declaration resolution would provide retroactive approval for Modifications 9 and 10 to Contract No. NFPHCNUR-19-C-003 between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation, commonly known as United Medical Center ("Hospital"), and Contemporary Nursing Solutions Inc. for the provision for specialty and non-specialty temporary

assignment nurses, and to authorize payment for the services received and to be received under the Contract.

Council action is necessary to approve proposed Modification 9 (October 31, 2022- October 30, 2023) in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 because when combined with Modifications 7 and 8 (A25-120) the total retroactive contract value of Option Year 3 would be \$3,100,000.00). The Hospital is also requesting Council approval of proposed Modification 10, which seeks to exercise Option Year 4 (October 31, 2023 – October 30, 2024) in the amount of \$3,000,000.00. Both Modifications 9 and 10 are retroactive due to constantly increasing nurse agency costs, extended time needed to negotiate financial terms, nationwide industry shortages, current hospital staffing needs, and the pending wind down.

Emergency approval of this legislation and declaration resolution would approve Modifications 9 and 10 to Contract No. NFPHCNUR-19-C-003 and would enable Contemporary Nursing Solutions Inc. to receive payment for the provision of these critical specialty and non-specialty temporary assignment nurse services at UMC.

Copies of the emergencies and contract summaries are attached. For any questions or concerns, please contact Teela Wyman, Legislative Analyst, at (202) 341-4425 or twyman@dccouncil.gov.