

Executive Summary Form

Agenda Number: 7232 – Scheduled for 07/11/2023, BOS Meeting

Recommendation:

Approve Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Cochise County Health & Social Services (CCHSS) and Cochise County Community College District for clinical practicum and/or internship/externship educational experiences to nursing and allied health students, effective August 1, 2023, through July 30, 2028.

Background (Brief):

Cochise College provides inclusive and accessible educational opportunities supporting social responsibility, community engagement, meaningful careers, and lifelong learning. The nursing and allied health programs at Cochise College offer a variety of degrees and certificates to enter a career in the healthcare field. Nursing and allied health students require clinical experience in a variety of healthcare settings.

CCHSS provides a safe learning environment and hands-on clinical experience for nursing and allied health students to meet the requirements associated with their degree or certificate. Our partnership with Cochise College has been in place for several years and has demonstrated success with internal recruiting and retention.

Fiscal Impact & Funding Sources:

Not applicable. No costs associated.

Next Steps/Action Items/Follow-up:

Your approvals are respectfully requested.

Please forward signed copies of the agreements to the Elizabeth Robinson, Interim Health Director, Megan Kennedy, Division Director Detention Health Services, and Maira Ibarra, Division Director Clinical Services.

Impact of Not Approving:

Not approving this MOU can negatively impact community partnerships with healthcare organizations, limit clinical experience of nursing and allied health students, and affect recruiting and retention opportunities for CCHSS.