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Curriculum and Instruction

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH CHILDREN'S REHAB NETWORK; JACKSON INFANT TODDLER CENTER; PEDI PEC; AND PEDIATRIC ALTERNATIVE TREATMENT, CARE, HOUSING, AND EVALUATION SERVICES (PATCHES) TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES IN PRESCRIBED PEDIATRIC EXTENDED CARE (PPEC) FACILITIES, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO DISTRICT

STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE AND EXPAND CURRENT CURRICULUM

Authorization is requested for the Superintendent to enter into cooperative agreements with Children's Rehab Network; Jackson Infant Toddler Center; PEDI PEC; and Pediatric Alternative Treatment, Care, Housing, and Evaluation Services (PATCHES) to provide services to children with disabilities in Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care (PPEC) facilities. Students in these facilities are medically dependent and require full-time nursing supervision. The cooperative agreements with Children's Rehab Network and Jackson Infant Toddler Center have been in effect since 1995. The cooperative agreement with PEDI PEC has been in effect since 2005 and the cooperative agreement with PATCHES has been in effect since 2006.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) will provide itinerant teachers certified in special education to serve students with disabilities who have complex medical needs. M-DCPS will provide the educational materials, equipment, and supplies needed to implement the goals and benchmarks on each child's Individual Educational Plan (IEP). The PPEC sites will provide the facility, nursing services, medical case management, and therapeutic services, effective July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009. Supervision of the program will be provided by the Division of Special Education.

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The Executive Director of Children's Rehab Network is Ms. Barbara Capp. The President of the Public Health Trust/Jackson Memorial Hospital is Mr. Marvin O'Quinn. The Executive Director of PEDI PEC is Ms. Grizzy Miller. The President of Pediatric Alternative Treatment, Care, Housing, and Evaluation Services (PATCHES) is Ms. Azona Kyle Smith.

There is no exchange of funds.

RECOMMENDED: That School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to:

1. enter into cooperative agreements with the Children's Rehab Network; Jackson Infant Toddler Center; PEDI PEC; and Pediatric Alternative Treatment, Care, Housing, and Evaluation Services (PATCHES) to provide services to children with disabilities in Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care facilities, effective July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009; and
2. extend the cooperative agreements for a maximum of two additional one-year periods.

There is no exchange of funds.

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