

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE
AND
THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ("MOU") is hereby made and entered into by and between Central Community College, located at 3134 W Highway 34, Grand Island, NE 68802-4903, hereinafter referred to as "CCC," and the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska for and on behalf of the University of Nebraska at Kearney, located at 2504 9th Avenue, Kearney, NE 68849, hereinafter referred to as "UNK."

PURPOSE:

To construct a dedicated CCC classroom in the new Rural Health Education Building at UNK strengthening existing partnership with UNK and the University of Nebraska Medical Center and enhance CCC's ability to present its health care degree programs.

THE BIG IDEA:

Experts report that quality, accessible, in-person health care is essential to the survival of rural communities. But the outlook for health care in rural Nebraska is troubled with ongoing workforce shortages.

CCC, UNK and UNMC have worked in partnership for over two decades to develop new health care professionals, and post-secondary education for allied health and medical professions. UNMC is a regional and national power in the training of health care professionals, and UNK and CCC has a long-standing record of successfully matriculating students into UNMC programs.

A significant next step in this collaboration is to establish a shared presence in the new Rural Health Education Building.

The goal of this collaboration is for more health care professionals to be educated, trained, and located in rural Nebraska. A joint presence between CCC, UNK and UNMC in the new Rural Health Education Building provides a bricks and mortar foundation in the target area, with high-quality academic preparation for students.

STRUCTURE:

A partnership between UNK, UNMC, and CCC the 112,000-square-foot facility will address critical health care workforce shortages in the state by expanding opportunities for students to study, train and eventually practice in central and western Nebraska.

The Rural Health Education Building will be located directly north of the Health Science Education Complex, creating a hub for health education in rural Nebraska that serves current and future providers and supports collaborative research projects. It will include state-of-the-art classrooms, extensive simulation and clinical skills laboratories for pre-clinical education and complex clinical scenarios and simulated primary care spaces.

PROJECT COST:

The new Rural Health Education Building will be funded by \$50 million from the Federal State

and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, \$10 million from the state's American Rescue Plan Money, and \$35 million from private university fundraising.

CCC CLASSROOM COST:

The Rural Health Education Building will include a 1,751-square-foot classroom to support on-site facilitation of CCC health programs. CCC students, faculty and staff will have access to collaboration space, shared areas, food services, and parking.

Adding an additional innovative classroom with equipment to support CCC instruction will add \$1.5 million to the project scope.

PAYMENT:

CCC will provide three equal payments of \$500,000 due September 1, 2023, September 1, 2024, and September 1, 2025 in support of construction. It being understood these funds may come from a private gift. Any and all future payments, including but not limited to, custodial, operational and maintenance, shall be specified in a lease agreement to be executed by the parties no later than December 31, 2025.

INDEMNIFICATION:

To the extent allowed by law, each institution agrees that it will be responsible for its own acts and the results thereof and shall not be responsible for the acts of the other party and the results thereof. Each institution therefore agrees that it will assume all risk and liability to itself, its agents, or employees for any injury to persons or property resulting in any manner from the conduct of its own operations and the operations of its agents or employees under the MOU, and for any loss, cost, or damage caused thereby during the performance of this MOU.

TERMINATION:

This MOU may be terminated without cause by either institution prior to December 31, 2023. At the time of termination, current plans for a CCC classroom in the new Rural Health Education Building will be ceased. Any termination after December 31, 2023, would require costs related to the construction of the dedicated classroom space to be honored. It being understood CCC would be provided unrestricted access to the space as agreed upon in this MOU.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized representatives of the institutions have executed this MOU on this first day of September 2023.

Central Community College

Board of Regents University of Nebraska

By: _____

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Date: _____

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