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TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

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RE: Implementation of UConn Health's Electronic medical Record system

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees approve the implementation of a new Electronic Medical Record in the total amount of $98,000,000, including contingency.

BACKGROUND:

UConn Health will implement an Integrated Electronic Medical Record (EMR) that will be used by John Dempsey Hospital and the University Medical Group for inpatients and outpatients. The Integrated EMR will provide the health information technology (HIT) required for compliance with federal and state regulations, enable the ability to support future CMS reimbursements models, enable interoperability to send and receive patient data across many healthcare organizations and improve efficiencies for all UConn Health entities with access to clinical data updated in real-time in a single patient database.

The Integrated EMR will replace numerous legacy systems, many of which are nearing end-of-life, and position us with the HIT that can meet the evolving and increasing clinical, quality and patient safety requirements of the healthcare arena. Integrated EMRs are used widely in CT and throughout the U.S. The new EMR will enable us to support the continued growth of our medical school, residency programs and research by providing advanced technology that is on par with consortium hospitals. It will provide the features and functionality that our clinicians and patients are expecting in today's competitive healthcare market.

The project budget estimates were developed utilizing vendor responses to a very comprehensive RFP costing model aimed at soliciting input on all potential costs, including licensing, implementation, training and other services, data conversion costs, 3rd party costs, go live support, hosting and equipment costs, business continuity costs, and initial and ongoing maintenance costs. In addition, we asked all vendors to provide specific details on UConn Health resource requirements for each project phase and system module. The budget will be funded from $41 million from the State through the IT Investment committee bonds, $48 million support from the University and $9 million from Operating funds of UConn Health.