

State of California Employment Training Panel

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Employment Training Panel Awards \$7.1 Million in Job Training Funds to Train 6,577 California Workers

SACRAMENTO – The California Labor and Workforce Development Agency's Employment Training Panel (ETP), at its June 23, 2006, meeting approved 22 contracts, totaling over \$7.1 million in job training funds to train 6,577 California workers.

One of the 22 contracts approved was CHA Hollywood Medical Center, L.P., dba Hollywood Presbyterian Medical Center (HPMC), which received a contract for \$867,375 to provide training in advanced technology cardiac life support skills, neo-natal intensive care skills, labor and delivery skills, critical care skills, and a variety of other areas designed to increase patient quality of care while reducing nursing staff turnover rates.

HPMC, an acute care hospital with 434 licensed beds, specializes in obstetrics, general surgery, cancer treatment and a wide range of other services, and is a leading health care provider in Southern California. A shortage of registered nurses is creating a critical public health challenge in California. HPMC, which is facing nurse recruitment and retention challenges, will train approximately 1,200 current hospital employees, including 30 recently graduated registered nurses and 500 resident registered nurses.

In a joint statement issued by Shawn Bolouki, CEO, and Judith Maass, RNP, MSN, Chief Nursing Officer, HPMC stated: "We are grateful to receive this honor from the State of California. At a time when the demand for trained nurses and ancillary staff is great and the pool of talent diminishing, it is encouraging that our hospital and SEIU can focus collaboratively on what is most important: providing quality and compassionate care to a growing diverse patient population in our community."

For more information regarding HPMC's training program, please contact Viktoria Meyers, VP of Business Development, at 323/913-4583.

ETP is a business and labor supported state agency that assists employers in strengthening their competitive edge by providing funds to partially off-set the costs of job skills training necessary to maintain high-performance workplaces. California's ETP is a performance-based program, providing funds for trainees who successfully complete approved training programs and are retained in well-paying jobs for a specific period of time.

The program is funded by the Employment Training Tax paid by California employers, and targets firms threatened by out-of-state and international competition. Since its inception in 1983, the ETP program has provided over \$950 million to train more than 650,000 workers in almost 60,000 California companies. Employers match training funds awarded through ETP contracts, making these projects true public-private partnerships.

To view copies of the proposals considered by the Panel at its most recent meeting, visit the ETP website at <u>http://www.etp.ca.gov/packet.cfm</u>. For more information about the ETP program, please visit <u>www.etp.ca.gov</u>, or call 916-327-5261.

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EMPLOYMENT TRAINING PANEL CONTRACTS APPROVED June 23, 2006

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Contr</u>	act Amount
General Dynamics NASSCO	San Diego	\$	1,193,400
Amcor Sunclipse North America	Statewide	\$	820,690
Dart Container Corporation of California.	Riverside	\$	395,850
Office Solutions Business Products & Services, Inc.	Orange	\$	182,000
Franklin Career College, Inc.	Los Angeles/San Bernardir	אס \$	288,444
QPE Technical Institute	Orange/Los Angeles Riverside/San Bernardino	\$	269,962
Western Growers Association.	Statewide	\$	135,044
Fibertech Polymers, Inc.	San Bernardino	\$	45,000
Jabil Circuit, Inc.	San Diego	\$	24,700
Dunn-Edwards Corporation	Statewide	\$	39,000
The Kroger Co.	Los Angeles	\$	232,375
CHA Hollywood Medical Center, L.P., dba Hollywood Presbyterian Medical Center	Los Angeles	\$	867,375
El Camino Community College District, Center for Applied Competitive Technologies (CACT).	Statewide	\$	467,365
Citron Clothing, Inc.	Los Angeles	\$	8,000
NL&A Collections, Inc. dba Nova Lighting	Los Angeles	\$	50,000
Logitech, Inc.	Alameda	\$	1,206,400
Thermionics Metal Processing, Inc.	Alameda	\$	168,480
Samex Preciksion, Inc.	Santa Clara	\$	23,800
Dryer's Grand Ice Cream,	Tulare	\$	304,720
Pacific Coast Producers	Yolo	\$	283,608
Care Options, Management Plans & Supportive Services	Shasta/Alameda	\$	75,600
Kunde Estate Winery & Vineyards	Sonoma	\$	49,920

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