



State of South Carolina Request for Contribution Distribution

This form is designed to collect the information required by South Carolina in accordance with Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act of 2022 and Executive Order 2022-19. This form must be submitted to the state agency that is providing the contribution for the designated organization. The state agency providing the contribution should use this form to collect information from the designated organization. The information must be collected from the designated organization before the funds can be disbursed.

Contribution Information	
Amount	Purpose
\$100,000.00	Fund will be used to provide needs-based support for MedEx Academy students.

Organization Information	
Entity Name	Prisma Health Medical Experience (MedEx) Academy
Address	605 Grove Road, Suite 301
City/State/Zip	Greenville, SC 29605
Website	https://academics.prismahealth.org/academics/education
Tax ID#	81-1723202
Entity Type	Nonprofit Organization

Organization Contact Information	
Contact Name	Dr. Desmond Kelly
Position/Title	Chief Academic Executive Officer, Interim
Telephone	864-455-1161
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Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent:		
Description	Budget	Explanation
Student Summer Housing	\$25,000.00	Average of \$25 per day for 24 undergraduate students/8 per a tier (Tiers 2, 3,
MCAT/GRE Test Prep, Health Screening, and Certifications	\$20,000.00	Anticipated cost for 28 students at \$714 average per student
Student Meals	\$15,000.00	Average \$15 per day for 24 undergraduate students/8 per a tier (Tiers 2, 3, and
Support for MedEx Nursing Students	\$15,000.00	Anticipated average of \$500 for 30 student to participate in the summer
Student Support	\$25,000.00	Anticipated average of \$500 for 24 high school students and anticipated
Grand Total	\$100,000.00	

Please explain how these funds will be used to provide a public benefit:

Quality healthcare and a vibrant workforce are vital assets that allow our state and South Carolinians to thrive. South Carolina ranks 41st of states and their health outcomes in comparative ranking. Nationally, primary care physicians, nurses, and numerous allied health positions are experiencing workforce shortages. South Carolina must have a strong and nimble pipeline that can respond to ever-changing healthcare industry needs and prepare our future healthcare workforce. The MedEx Academy program is a key statewide component in making this happen.

Participation in MedEx Academy requires a time commitment from students, which often leads accepted participants with financial need to choose between this career-focused program and a summer job to support their cost of living. State funding in 2022-2023 to-date has allowed MedEx Academy to offset this cost for numerous students, providing increased access to the program for diverse students, particularly from underrepresented backgrounds and areas. Additional funding in 2023-2024 would allow MedEx Academy to sustain that support for student preparing for college acceptance with emphasis on healthcare careers and aiding undergraduates in transitioning to healthcare related professional programs. The MedEx Academy Nursing Pipeline, a recipient of the 2022 Innovation Award for Education, will continue to accelerate the recruitment and development of a nursing workforce reflective of the populations they serve to positively impact the healthcare disparities and the nursing shortage in SC, still by the COVID-19 pandemic and staffing burnout and turnover. This program is uniquely positioned and qualified to create a school-to-employment health careers pipeline.

Organization Certifications

- 1) Organization hereby gives assurance that no person shall, upon the grounds of race, creed, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefit of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which this organization is responsible.
- 2) Organization certifies that it will provide quarterly spending reports to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
- 3) Organization certifies that it will provide an accounting at the end of the fiscal year to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
- 4) Organization certifies that it will allow the State Auditor to audit or cause to be audited the contributed funds.



Interim Chief Academic Executive
Title

08/30/2023
Date

Dr. Desmond Kelly
Printed Name

Certifications of State Agency Providing Contribution

- 1) State Agency certifies that the planned expenditure aligns with the Agency's mission and/or the purpose specified in the appropriations act of 2022.
- 2) State Agency certifies that the Organization has set forth a public purpose to be served through receipt of the expenditure.
- 3) State Agency certifies that it will make distributions directly to the organization.
- 4) State Agency certifies that it will provide the quarterly spending reports and accounting received from the organization to the Senate Finance Committee, House Ways and Means Committee, and the Executive Budget Office by June 30, 2023.
- 5) State Agency certifies that it will publish on their website any and all reports, accountings, forms, updates, communications, or other materials required by Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act of 2022.
- 6) State Agency will certify to the Office of the Governor that it has complied with the requirements of Executive Order 2022-19 by June 30, 2023.


Agency Head Signature

9/5/2023
Date

Jenny Stirling for Dr. Karl
Printed Name