

Office of the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

To: Members of the Board of Trustees

Fr: Christopher A. Ruhl, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

Steven R. Schultz, General Counsel

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Re: Ratification of COVID-19 Testing and Health Monitoring Agreements

At the August 7, 2020 meeting, we will be seeking your ratification of several agreements related to COVID-19 testing and health monitoring. At your meeting on May 7th, you authorized University leadership to establish and implement a systematic testing regime, both for those with COVID-19 symptoms and those without, together with a mechanism for actively and accurately tracing contacts of those who test positive for the virus.

You reiterated this authorization in a resolution adopted at the June 11th stated meeting, which approved general plans to implement the testing and tracing program through various capabilities. Consistent with that authorization, we have entered into four agreements (one of which amends an existing agreement) that collectively provide us with the tools, resources and legal authority to implement this important program. Each of these is described below.

Contracts with Vendors:

- 1. Vault Medical Services. Vault will provide telehealth services and facilitate COVID-19 testing primarily for undergraduate and graduate students to be tested prior to their arrival on campus. Vault has partnered with Rutgers Clinical Genomics Laboratory to process saliva based testing, reporting results to directly to each Vault patient and to the University's Protect Purdue Health Center (PPHC). Individual codes are sent to students who upon activation receive a test kit via overnight delivery. Vault medical staff oversee the student completing the sample specimen via a telehealth appointment. Completed tests are sent directly by the student to the Rutgers lab for processing. Testing will also be available to faculty and staff under the direction of the PPHC. Under the contract, the University has the option to administer the specimen collection on site, which was done for approximately 500 Early Start students in July. During the months of July and August it is expected that Vault will facilitate approximately 35,000 tests; additional testing capability may be utilized during the remainder of the academic year, as needed. The per test cost for Vault services is \$114 with total payment for services projected at \$4-5 million for the fall semester. The contract extends for a period of twelve (12) months.
- CVS. CVS will also provide COVID-19 testing services to the University. Under the contract,
 CVS will provide, at over 1,500 retail locations in the U.S., the testing personnel, testing kits
 and any ancillary testing supplies. It is anticipated that CVS will serve as an alternative, or
 back-up, to Vault, enabling students who are unable to complete the Vault telehealth process,

to be tested in a timely way before they arrive on campus. CVS will report results to the patient and also to the PPHC. The per test cost for CVS is \$140. Total costs are projected at \$100,000.

3. One to One Health. One to One currently operates the Center for Healthy Living at Purdue West. Under an amendment to the existing contract, One to One's services were expanded to include telehealth case management services, staffing for the 24/7 PPHC clinical call center and on-campus sampling sites, and the PPHC Medical Director, Dr. Esteban Ramirez. Case management services will include both clinical case managers and contact tracers. Initially, One to One will have 25 clinical case managers and 40 contact tracers. The initial term for the case management services is six months to cover the fall semester with an ability to renew for the remainder of the academic year, as necessary. By mutual agreement, the University and One to One may adjust the number of clinical case managers and contact tracers. Lastly, the contract amendment also covers the necessary infrastructure to support the PPHC, including case management software and the development of a daily monitoring tracker for students, faculty and staff. Total costs under the One to One contract amendment are projected at \$3 million for the fall semester.

Public Health Authority for Contact Tracing:

4. <u>Tippecanoe County MOU</u>. Under Indiana law, the Indiana State Department of Health has the legal authority to conduct contact tracing as a public health measure, and it regularly delegates this authority to county health departments for assistance at the local level. Accordingly, the University must derive its authority to conduct contact tracing activities on campus from Tippecanoe County. Although this MOU does not involve an outlay of funds, we are including it in the requested ratification in light of its central importance to the Protect Purdue program.

Under the MOU, the University and PPHC will: (i) perform contact tracing activities on students, faculty, and staff who live, study and/or work on Purdue's campus in West Lafayette (defined as the "Purdue Community"), and (ii) refer to the County those contacts who are not members of the Purdue Community but who have been present on Purdue's campus or property, and who, in each case, are believed or suspected to have been exposed to COVID-19 (high-risk contacts). In this connection, Purdue and PPHC will:

- Conduct an initial contact tracing interview and identify all individuals within the Purdue Community with whom a COVID-positive member of the Purdue Community is believed or suspected to have had high-risk contact;
- Provide a complete list of high-risk contacts to the County;
- Provide comprehensive contact tracing notifications and other case management services for those high-risk contacts who are members of the Purdue Community;
- Report any additional data and results of contact tracing to the County;
- Promote and protect Purdue Community member confidentiality by adhering to applicable laws, regulations, and Purdue policies related to information acquired through contact tracing; and
- Refer all high-risk contacts who are not part of the Purdue Community to the County for further handling.