

May 9, 2024

TO: THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF VALENCIA COLLEGE

FROM: DR. KATHLEEN PLINSKE President

RE: NURSING SIMULATION MANAGEMENT PLATFORM

On April 3, 2024, the State of Florida Department of Education, awarded Valencia College a \$732,773 grant from the Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund, to the School of Health Sciences, Division of Nursing. Funding will support the purchase of equipment (cameras, control software systems, and recording devices, etc.) resulting in a simulation center for Osceola and West Campuses which allows clinical teams to practice and observe protocols and gain instant feedback on student performance and techniques. These new learning spaces will provide additional hands-on experiences, allowing students to practice, watch themselves, and improve upon their techniques, therefore increasing the number of students prepared to enter the workforce.

In accordance with the authority granted under F.A.C 6A-14.0734 (2)(a) and Florida Statute 287.057, on April 23, 2024, Valencia College issued Sole Source (SS) 2024-31, Learning Space Enterprise, to notify the public of the Intent to Sole Source. The Learning Space Enterprise is a sole source product exclusively sold by CAE Healthcare, Inc. The project provides a turnkey solution which includes equipment, installation, and training for a total cost of \$579,177.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The President recommends that the District Board of Trustees of Valencia College authorize the College to award CAE Healthcare, Inc. the Sole Source procurement of the Learning Space Enterprise in the amount of \$579,177.

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