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EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATION FOR REHABILITATION CONSULTANTS TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE INDIVIDUALIZED EMPLOYMENT SERVICES TO STUDENTS

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REPORT:

At the November 21, 1996 meeting, the Board initially authorized total annual expenditures of \$100,000 for professional services agreements with all qualified Rehabilitation Consultants for a three (3) year term for PCC course PST 090 (per Resolution #97-059). At the December 9, 1999 meeting, the Board authorized the continuance of these expenditures for an additional three (3) years (per Resolution #00-064)

The Professional Skills Training Program developed a course to assist students who are referred to the program for employment services (planning, labor market survey and job placement). The referral agencies choose rehabilitation consultants to provide these employment services directly to their students from a list of qualified providers. The College establishes this qualified provider list and has contracts in force with all of them prior to the beginning of the course. Total annual expenditures to all rehabilitation consultants are approximately \$100,000, an amount which would typically require a formal Request for Proposals process. However, in this situation there will be contracts with about fifteen to twenty different consultants. The referral agencies, not College staff, select the specific consultants from the qualified list to provide the services.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Directors authorize continued annual expenditures of \$100,000 for professional service agreements with all qualified Rehabilitation Consultants that desire to provide employment services for this course. The agreements will be for a not-to-exceed term of three years and will be funded from grant and contract funds.