

TO: Program Planning and Development

DATE: 05/25/06

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

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For Discussion

SUBJECT: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Grant Update

PROPOSED MOTION(S): For Information Only.

DISCUSSION: The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation 2006 Frontline Workforce Development call for proposal closed on May 18, 2006. Up to eight grants will be awarded through this first round of funding. The collaboration between Golden Valley Health Centers, Merced College and Workforce Investment has produced all the elements for the grant. Mr. Richard Yoder was selected to write the grant and met with all three entities. The main focus of the submitted grant is to establish a tiered Medical Assistant Ladder with Merced College providing work-based onsite instruction yielding college credit. Worknet will provide assessment and case-management for eligible Medical Assistants.

Key Dates and Deadlines

May 18, 2006 (3 p.m. EDT)— Confirmed Submittal by Ms. Christine Noguera.

June 30, 2006—Finalists are notified.

July 10–July 28, 2006—Site visits with finalists.

September 1, 2006—Grants awarded.

ATTACHMENT(S): None.