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ITEM 200-105-R0522

Request for Approval to Revise Board of Regents Policy 940.24 – Contract Requirements for the University of Washington Cooperative Medical Program (WWAMI)

THAT

Consistent with the Board’s authority to manage and control the Montana University System, the Board of Regents adopts the proposed revisions to Board of Regents Policy 940.24.

EXPLANATION

Under Board policy and MCA 22-25-810 through 811, Montana students entering a cooperative medical education program must sign a contract indicating whether they will return to Montana to practice after completing their medical training. Initially, the contracts were required only of those students in the University of Washington School of Medicine, the Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, and Idaho (WWAMI) medical education program. The 2019 legislature extended the contracts to students in the Idaho College of Osteopathic Medicine (ICOM) medical education program. The proposed revisions establish that the WWAMI contract requirements also apply to ICOM participants. The proposed revisions also clarify that failure to practice for the required 3-year period converts the state support paid on a participant’s behalf into a loan. Further, the proposed revisions clarify the interest rate calculation used if the state support converts to a loan.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment #1: Proposed Revisions to Policy 940.24