



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Director of Health Services

At its meeting held August 26, 2003, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Burke made the following statement:

“The Director of Health Services recently learned of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education’s decision to withdraw the accreditation of the surgery training program at King/Drew Medical Center. The withdrawal of this accreditation will have a significant impact on the facility’s ability to provide critical emergency and trauma services.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke and by common consent, there being no objection, the Director of Health Services was instructed to:

1. Report back to the Board within two weeks with a contingency plan to ensure adequate surgery services at King/Drew Medical Center upon termination of the surgery training program, with plan to include staffing requirements, the cost of this staffing, funding, and any actions that may be necessary related to the Department of Health Services’ affiliation agreement with Drew University; and
2. Report back to the Board on the outcome of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education’s September 9, 2003 review of King/Drew Medical Center’s overall training programs.

Later in the meeting, Dr. Thomas L. Garthwaite, Director of Health Services, responded to questions posed by the Board and the speakers that addressed the Board during the Public Comment portion of the meeting regarding the accreditation withdrawal of the King/Drew surgery training program.

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