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From: Meyers, Robert (COE)
Sent: Thursday, May 07, 2009 3:06 PM
To: Shy, Eugene (CAO)
Subject: RE:

Gene:

The county ethics ordinance prohibits a vendor, contractor, bidder or proposer from paying travel expenses for county employees. If this party is a Trust vendor, it cannot cover the travel expenses of Trust employees. There are two other options: 1) a waiver by the Board of Trustees or 2) the PHT pays for the trip.

Please call me if you wish to discuss.

Thanks,

Robert
Robert Meyers, Executive Director
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From: Shy, Eugene (CAO)
Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2009 1:57 PM
To: Meyers, Robert (COE)
Cc: Alvarez, Fidel; 'Anasagasti, Rogelio'; Poppel, Jeffrey (CAO)
Subject:

Robert, attached is an email sent to us by Trust Staff regarding an ethics question. Your thoughts and guidance will be appreciated? As always, thanks a bunch.

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Subject: Legal question on travel

I have a question from the Lab Department that I was not sure how to answer...

Question

They want to take a trip to see a hospital in Alabama that is using a piece of equipment we have. The vendor has offered to pay for them and they want to know if this is allowed...

Thought

Under the Procurement Regulation, my Division has a 0 tolerance – no gift policy. As such, when we have done any type of site visit as part of a procurement, it has been paid for by the Trust.

Given the County has an ordinance surrounding “gifts” and considering what Lab is asking for is something that is **not in Procurement** I figured we turn to my experts for an opinion on this.

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Thanks for the help!

Kind regards,
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