

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998 stipulates that Individual Training Accounts (ITAs) must be established for eligible individuals to finance training services (using WIA funds). Section 663.430 of the WIA lists three exceptions to the ITA requirements. Section 663.430(a)(2) states in part, that contracts for services may be used instead of ITAs “when the local Board (the Workforce Investment Board) determines that there are an insufficient number of eligible providers in the local area to accomplish the purpose of a system of ITAs. That section also requires a public comment period for interested providers of at least 30 days.

There exists a shortage of registered nurses in the Merced County. Since there is limited training in the local area that provides REGISTERED NURSING (RN) training, the Executive Committee of the local Board at its monthly meeting of April 3, 2006 approved RN training as an exception to the ITA policy and authorized the Department of Workforce Investment to enter into contract negotiations with:

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If any interested parties wish to comment, they may contact the following person(s) no later than May 4, 2006:

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