

**Purchase Request #6**  
**Regular Board Meeting January 24, 2017**  
**Consideration of Approval to Purchase**  
**Simulation Manikins and Operational Software**

**ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT**

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of simulation manikins and operational software from Laerdal Medical Corporation for the Nursing Department.

**BACKGROUND**

The Nursing Department is adding a Laerdal SimBaby simulation manikin and related software scenarios to expand the simulation manikins already in use.

Reference (REF) Number 4049 was issued to purchase simulation manikins and operational software. Laerdal is a sole source provider of SimBaby manikins and is exempt from competitive bidding per Section 44.031(j) of the Texas Education Code.

**IMPACT OF THIS ACTION**

The Nursing Department already has a number of the Laerdal simulation manikins in use. The addition of the SimBaby manikin and software will provide a cost effective method of ensuring students will receive training that will provide them with the skills to succeed in the workplace in their chosen disciplines.

**BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)**

The estimated expenditure for this request is \$70,000.00. This expenditure is funded by the Nursing Shortage Reduction Grant Over 70 for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

**RESOURCE PERSONNEL**

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