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Molina Healthcare And California State University Long Beach Expand Partnership



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LONG BEACH, CA (June 19, 2012) – Molina Healthcare has always prided itself on being connected to the community. The just launched Professional Development Program (PDP) with California State University Long Beach (CSULB) is just one of the public-private partnerships underway at the company.

"From our recent acquisition of the Molina Center (former Arco Towers) to our Partnership for Healthy Living with CSULB and the Boys and Girls Club of Long Beach, Molina is an integral part of the Long Beach business landscape," said J. Mario Molina, M.D., president and chief executive officer of Molina Healthcare, Inc. "In addition to our health care mission, we believe in giving back to the community and that means being a good business partner especially with public institutions."

"We are excited about the PDP program because it gives our students the opportunity to work in one of the few business segments of the economy that is growing---health care," said Michael

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Solt, Dean, College of Business Administration. "Plus Molina Healthcare has been an integral partner of Long Beach businesses for over 30 years."

While Molina has hired interns before, the PDP will identify and prepare talent for key positions at Molina through experiential learning, formal training and aggressive performance management. During the 12-week internship, Molina executives will coach and mentor participants as they take on six different roles in the areas of finance and accounting, human resources, information technology, marketing, project management and business development. These positions allow participants to experience a variety of challenging assignments and make meaningful contributions to Molina's business before they settle into a long-term career choice.

Dr. Ken Millar, Dean of College of Health Human Services, at CSULB said "These are exciting times for new health care administrators because the demand within the profession is expected to grow in a dynamic and ever-changing health care industry. Our interns will have the capacity to critically examine and evaluate issues and trends that will influence the destiny of the health care system in the City of Long Beach and beyond."

Negotiations are also underway to display CSULB student artwork at Molina Center. "Having our students work on display at the Molina Center is a great way to showcase their talent and give them the visibility they need for future opportunities," added Dr. Raymond Torres-Santos, Dean, College of the Arts.

CBA and Regional Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Participates in Certificate Program in Leadership & Membership Growth

On June 19 and 20, the United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (USHCC) offered a Certificate Program in Leadership & Membership Growth through the USHCC Foundation Chamber Training Institute. This certificate was provided at the University of Notre Dame and was hosted remotely on the CSULB campus by the CBA and the local Regional Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber Training Institute is free to chamber members thanks to a strategic partnership with Wells Fargo Bank, and the USHCC Foundation made this certificate available to key chamber leaders, boards of directors, and other chamber members who would benefit from the topics. During this two day certificate program, industry experts guided attendees through courses that included Legacyvibe Leadership (Our Legacy of Leadership – Past, Present, Future) and Membership Mole (Do What We Do Best).

Jerry Campagna of MOST/MST Latino, Inc. presented the courses. The first course was based on the personal operating system called VIBE (Values, Intentions, Beliefs, and Environment) that included self-assessment exercises and discussion about cultural influences that affect

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leadership perspectives. The second course assessed an organization's strengths using a teambased exercise to provide a refined Latino engagement strategy.

Leaders from eighteen local businesses attended the program. Sandy Cajas, CEO of the Regional Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, said "this certificate is important because it will help our member businesses develop the vision and leadership they need to survive and be successful, and I thank the USHCC and Wells Fargo Bank for making this certificate available to businesses in our region."