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SUBJECT: EXECUTED CONTRACT: STAFF NURSES
TERM: DECEMBER 1, 2007 TO JANUARY 20, 2010

Attached for your information and guidance is a copy of the executed contract entered into by the Commissioner of Labor Relations and the Health and Hospitals Corporation on behalf of the City of New York and the New York State Nurses Association, on behalf of the incumbents of positions listed in Article I of said contract.

The contract incorporates terms of an agreement reached through collective bargaining negotiations and related procedures.

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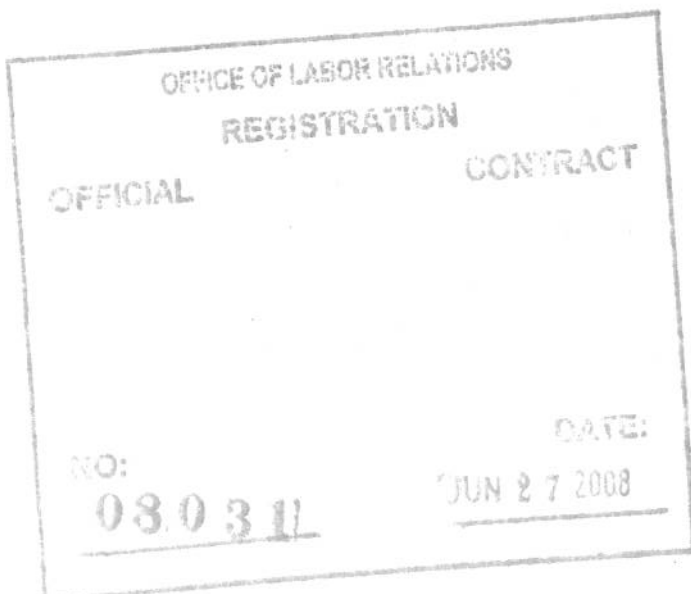


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AGREEMENT, entered into this 27th day of June 2008, by and between the City of New York and related public employers pursuant to and limited to their respective elections or statutory requirement to be covered by the New York City Collective Bargaining Law and their respective authorizations to the City to bargain on their behalf and the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation (hereinafter referred to jointly as the "Employer"), and New York State Nurses Association (hereinafter referred to as the "Association"), for the twenty-five (25) month and twenty (20) day period from December 1, 2007 through January 20, 2010.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the parties hereto have entered into collective bargaining and desire to reduce the results thereof to writing,

NOW, THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I - ASSOCIATION RECOGNITION AND UNIT DESIGNATION

Section 1.

The Employer recognizes the Association as the sole and exclusive collective bargaining representative for the bargaining unit set forth below, consisting of employees of the Employer, wherever employed, whether full-time, part-time per annum, per visit, hourly or per diem, in the below listed title(s), and in any successor title(s) that may be certified by the Board of Certification of the Office of Collective Bargaining to be part of the unit herein for which the Association is the exclusive collective bargaining representative and in any positions in Restored Rule X titles of the Classified Service the duties of which are or shall be equated by the City Personnel Director and the Director of the Budget for salary purposes to any of the below listed titles:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Title Code Number</u>
Assistant Head Nurse	000480
Associate Midwife (Level A)	965130
Associate Midwife (Level B)	965140
Associate Nurse Practitioner (Level I)	966410
Associate Nurse Practitioner (Level II)	966420
Case Management Nurse, Level I, Level II (PD)	50958
Case Management Nurse, Level I, Level II (FD)	50959

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Case Management Nurse, Level I, Level II (DOC)	06240
Case Management Nurse (DOS)	09968
Head Nurse	50935, 509350
Head Nurse (DOS)	06124
Home Health Nurse (Per visit) (Level I)	001310
Home Health Nurse (Per visit) (Level II)	001320
Midwife	509120
Nurse-Midwife	50912
Nurse-Practitioner	00196, 001960
Nurse Practitioner (DOS)	06068
Sr. Case Management Nurse (DOS)	05207
Staff Nurse	50910, 09771, 509100
Staff Nurse (Department for the Aging)	05490
Supervisor of Nurses	50960, 509600

Section 2.

The terms "employee" and "employees" as used in this Agreement shall mean only those persons in the unit described in Section 1 of this Article.

ARTICLE II - DUES CHECKOFF

Section 1.

a. The Association shall have the exclusive right to the check-off and transmittal of dues on behalf of each employee in accordance with the Mayor's Executive Order No. 98, dated May 15, 1969, entitled "Regulations Relating to the Check-off of Association Dues" and in accordance with the Mayor's Executive Order No. 99, dated May 15, 1969 as amended by Executive Order No. 107 dated December 29, 1986 entitled "Regulations Governing Procedures for Orderly Payroll Check-off of Union Dues" or any other applicable Executive Order.

b. Any employee may consent in writing to the authorization of the deduction of dues from the employee's wages and to the designation of the Association as the recipient thereof. Such consent, if given, shall be in a proper form acceptable to the City, which bears the signature of the employee.

Section 2.

The parties agree to an agency shop to the extent permitted by applicable law, as described in a supplemental agreement hereby incorporated by reference.

ARTICLE III - SALARIES

Section 1.

a. This Article III is subject to the provisions, terms and conditions of the Alternative Career and Salary Pay Plan Regulations, dated March 15, 1967 as amended to date, except that the specific terms and conditions of this Article shall supersede any provisions of such Regulations inconsistent with this Agreement subject to the limitations of applicable provisions of law.

b. Unless otherwise specified, all salary provisions of this Agreement, including minimum and maximum salaries, general increases, education differentials and any other salary adjustments, are based upon a normal work week of 40 (37.5 in Health and Hospitals Corporation) hours for employees in the titles of Staff Nurse, Staff Nurse (Department for the Aging), Assistant Head Nurse, Head Nurse, Supervisor of Nurses, Midwife, Nurse-Midwife, Nurse-Practitioner, Associate Midwife (Level A), Associate Midwife (Level B), Associate Nurse Practitioner (Level I), and Associate Nurse Practitioner (Level II) and 35 hours for all remaining titles, except for the title Home Health Nurse (Level I and II) (Per Visit).

An employee who works on a part-time per annum basis and who is eligible for any salary adjustments provided in this Agreement shall receive the appropriate pro-rata portion of such salary adjustment computed on the relationship between the number of hours regularly worked each week by such employee and the number of hours in the said normal work week, unless otherwise specified.

c. Employees who work on a per diem or hourly basis and who are eligible for any salary adjustment provided in this Agreement shall receive the appropriate pro-rata portion of such salary adjustment computed as follows, unless otherwise specified:

Per diem rate	-	1/261 of the appropriate minimum basic salary.
Hourly Rate	-	35 hour week basis - 1/1827 of the appropriate minimum basic salary.
	-	37.5 hour week basis - 1/1957.5 of the appropriate minimum basic salary.
	-	40 hour week basis - 1/2088 of the appropriate minimum basic salary.

d. The maximum salary for a title shall not constitute a bar to the payment of any salary adjustment or pay differentials provided for in this Agreement, but said increase above the maximum shall not be deemed a promotion.

Section 2.

Employees in the following title(s) shall be subject to the following specified salary(ies), salary adjustment(s), and/or salary range(s):

EFFECTIVE DATE:	<u>1/1/08</u>	<u>7/1/08</u>
<u>TITLE</u>		
Assistant Head Nurse	\$64,008	\$67,208
Associate Midwife Level A	\$73,570	\$77,249
Associate Midwife Level B	\$78,167	\$82,075
Associate Nurse Practitioner		
Level I	\$73,570	\$77,249
Level II	\$78,167	\$82,075
Case Management Nurse (DOC)		
Level I	\$62,759	\$65,897
Level II	\$65,122	\$68,378
Case Management Nurse (DOS)	\$62,759	\$65,897
Case Management Nurse (FD)		
Level I	\$62,759	\$65,897
Level II	\$65,122	\$68,378
Case Management Nurse (PD)		
Level I	\$62,759	\$65,897
Level II	\$65,122	\$68,378
Head Nurse	\$65,122	\$68,378
Head Nurse (DOS)	\$65,122	\$68,378
Midwife	\$69,416	\$72,887
Nurse Midwife	\$69,416	\$72,887
Nurse Practitioner	\$69,416	\$72,887
Nurse Practitioner (DOS)	\$69,416	\$72,887
Sr. Case Management Nurse (DOS)	\$65,122	\$68,378
Staff Nurse#	\$62,759	\$65,897
Staff Nurse (DFTA)#	\$62,759	\$65,897
Supervisor of Nurses	\$69,416	\$72,887
<u>Staff Nurse (Per Diem)</u>		
Day Shift	\$240	\$252
Evening Shift	\$261	\$274
Night Shift	\$265	\$278
<u>Home Health Nurse</u>		
(per visit) Level I	\$52.64	\$55.27
Level II	\$59.22	\$62.18
Training Rate		
Per Day	\$217.26	\$228.12
Per ½ Day	\$108.63	\$114.06

A Staff Nurse holding a permit to practice nursing will be paid \$60 annually below the rate paid to a Staff Nurse pending receipt of a New York State license to practice as a registered professional nurse.

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Section 3. General Wage Increase.

- a.** The general increases, effective as indicated, shall be:
 - i.** Effective January 1, 2008, Employees shall receive a general increase of 2 percent.
 - ii.** Effective July 1, 2008 Employees shall receive an additional general increase of 5 percent.
 - iii.** Part-time per annum, per session, hourly paid and part-time per diem Employees (including seasonal appointees) and Employees whose normal work year is less than a full calendar year shall receive the increases provided in subsections 3(a)(i) and 3(a)(ii) on the basis of computations heretofore utilized by the parties for all such Employees.
 - iv.** The Per Visit rate shall be increased by the same amounts as provided in subsections 3(a)(i) and 3(a)(ii) above.
- b.** The increases provided for in Section 3(a) above shall be calculated as follows:
 - i.** The general increase in Section 3(a)(i) shall be based upon the base rates (including salary or incremental salary schedules) of the applicable titles in effect on December 31, 2007;
 - ii.** The general increase in Section 3(a)(ii) shall be based upon the base rates (including salary or incremental salary schedules) of the applicable titles in effect on June 30, 2008.

Section 4. Parity Provision

- a.** Effective July 1, 2006, each January 1 the salary rates in effect December 31 for the classes of positions included in this Agreement, and any other salary rates subsequently in effect as a result of the application of this provision, shall be adjusted by the addition thereto of the amount of the difference, if any, by which the average basic entrance salary of Staff Nurse in the hospitals listed below shall exceed by \$1,000 per annum or more the basic entrance salary of Staff Nurse (Title Code No. 50910, 509100) employed by the City of New York or by the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation in effect for the twelve month period commencing with each date listed above. This section 4(a) is suspended for the term of this agreement.
- b.** The January 1 salaries shall be determined by examining the salaries in the hospitals listed below on the preceding November 30 that are the then current salaries or the salaries that will be effective on January 1, if known on the preceding November 30, in those hospitals. Adjustments made pursuant to Section 4(a) shall be effective on the succeeding January 1. This section 4(b) is suspended during the term of this agreement.

The hospitals whose salaries shall be used for parity calculations pursuant to Article III, Section 4 of this Agreement are as follows:

HOSPITALS

Columbia Presbyterian Hospital
New York Hospital
Mount Sinai Hospital
St. Vincent's Hospital and Medical Center
Montefiore Medical Center
St. Luke's Roosevelt Hospital Center
Interfaith Medical Center of Brooklyn
Lenox Hill Hospital
New York University Medical Center
Beth Israel Medical Center
Mary Immaculate Hospital
Maimonides Medical Center
New York Hospital Medical Center of Queens
Terence Cardinal Cooke Health Care Center

Section 5. Experience/Longevity Pay

- a. Effective July 1, 2006, experience/longevity pay shall be paid to employees on January 1st of each year after one (1) through twenty-one (21) years of experience, based on the total number of years of HHC/Mayoralty service in any NYSNA-represented title. The rates determined are set forth in Appendix A of this agreement.
- b. Effective January 1, 2008, experience/longevity pay shall be paid to employees on January 1st of each year after one (1) through twenty-two (22) years of experience, based on the total number of years of HHC/Mayoralty service in any NYSNA represented title. The rates determined are set forth in Appendix A of this agreement.”
- c. Employees with experience as a registered professional nurse with an employer other than the Health and Hospitals Corporation or a Mayoral agency will be credited with a maximum of five years of prior experience in placing an employee on the appropriate step of the experience/longevity schedule. Effective January 1, 2008, employees at HHC will receive a maximum of ten (10) years of prior experience in placing an employee on the appropriate step of the experience/longevity schedule.. Such prior experience shall only be credited if an employee is hired into the same or equivalent title in the Health and Hospitals Corporation/Mayoral agency as the employee held with the non-Health and Hospitals Corporation/Mayoral employer. Such credited experience shall be effective as of the employee's date of hire with the Health and Hospitals Corporation/Mayoral agency.
- d. Effective January 1, 2008, the Health & Hospital Corporation will credit all incumbent employees who did not receive full credit for their prior experience due to the prior five year cap with up to 5 years additional credit for outside experience, for a maximum of 21 years, consistent with the provisions of Section 5(c) above.”

Section 6. Evening and Night Shift Differential

a. Effective July 1, 2006, an annual differential in the amounts listed below shall be provided to employees in the following listed titles who are assigned to the evening or night shift:

- Assistant Head Nurse
- Associate Midwife (Level A)
- Associate Midwife (Level B)
- Associate Nurse Practitioner (Level I)
- Associate Nurse Practitioner (Level II)
- Head Nurse, Head Nurse (DOS)
- Midwife
- Nurse-Midwife
- Nurse-Practitioner
- Nurse Practitioner (DOS)
- Staff Nurse
- Staff Nurse (Department for the Aging)
- Supervisor of Nurses

b. An annual differential of \$4,654 shall be provided to employees who are assigned to the evening shift.

c. An annual differential of \$5,689 shall be provided to employees who are assigned to the night shift.

d. Evening and night shift differentials shall be paid during authorized paid time off to persons so assigned.

e. Employees in the following listed titles are excluded from the provisions of this Section 6 and shall receive a night shift differential in accordance with Article XVII, Section 4 (b) of this Agreement:

- Case Management Nurse Level I, Level II (DOC)
- Case Management Nurse (DOS)
- Case Management Nurse Level I, Level II (FD)
- Case Management Nurse Level I, Level II (PD)
- Senior Case Management Nurse (DOS)

Section 7.

The Association agrees that the City and the Health and Hospitals Corporation has the entitlement to institute an additional increase in the compensation for new and recent hires based upon an inability to retain and recruit Registered Nurses.

Section 8.

In the case of an employee on leave of absence without pay the salary rate of such employee shall be changed to reflect the salary adjustments specified in Article III.

Section 9.

An employee covered by this Agreement who is appointed, with no break in service, to a higher title also covered by this Agreement, shall be placed on the schedule for the newly-appointed title at the same experience level as the employee had in the prior title.

Section 10. Differentials

a. Department of Correction

An annual differential of \$1100 shall continue to be provided for each employee engaged in direct patient care on a continuing basis in a Department of Correction prison facility.

b. Education

An annual differential shall continue to be provided for each employee who possesses an appropriate degree in nursing or an allied health field from an accredited College or University, as follows:

Baccalaureate	-	\$900
Masters	-	\$1200

c. Responsibility

A differential of \$3.00 per tour shall continue to be provided for each Staff Nurse, who is assigned or exercised responsibility on an evening or night shift for one or more Staff Nurse(s), or for two or more units.

d. Differential for Working in a Higher Title

Any Nurse in a title covered by the agreement who is acting in a higher title pursuant to written authorization, shall receive a differential equal to the difference between the rate of pay for that individual and the greater of either the starting salary of the higher title or the annual amount stated below pro-rated for the period of time applicable. Such differential is to be paid commencing the 31st day of such assignment, and payment shall be made within sixty days of entitlement.

Assistant Head Nurse	\$450
Head Nurse	\$550
Supervisor of Nurses	\$700
Midwife	\$700
Nurse Midwife	\$700
Nurse Practitioner	\$700
Associate Nurse Practitioner	\$700

e. Certification

Effective December 1, 2007 an annual differential of \$1,378 shall be provided for each employee who possesses an appropriate certification. Employees holding a nationally recognized certification in the field or area of specialization for which they are employed shall be paid the differential. Employees must maintain certification and submit appropriate documentation in order to continue receiving the differential. Failure to maintain certification will cause the employee to lose this differential. An employee is entitled to receive only one (1) certification differential at any time.

f. Application of Differentials

The differentials provided in this Section 10 shall not be a part of the basic salary or considered in computation of a maximum salary of any employee.

Section 11. Tuition Reimbursement

Reimbursement for tuition shall be granted upon satisfactory completion of courses or work shops approved by the executive director of the institution, or the agency head of a mayoral department, for nursing and related credit, in a sum not to exceed the annual amount of \$2,000.

ARTICLE IV - WELFARE FUND

Section 1.

a. In accordance with the election by the Association pursuant to the provisions of Article XIII of the Citywide Agreement between the City of New York and related public employers and District Council 37, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, the Welfare Fund provisions of that 1995-2001 Citywide Agreement as amended or any successor agreement(s) thereto, shall apply to employees covered by this Agreement.

b. When an election is made by the Union pursuant to the provisions of Article XIII, Section 1 (b), of the Citywide Agreement between the City of New York and related public employers and District Council 37, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, the provisions of Article XIII, Section 1 (b) of the 1995-2001 Citywide Agreement, as amended or any successor agreement(s) thereto, shall apply to Employees covered by this Agreement, and when such election is made, the Union hereby waives its right to training, education and/or legal services contributions provided in this Agreement, if any. In no case shall the single contribution provided in Article XIII, Section 1 (b) of the 1995-2001 Citywide Agreement, as amended or any successor agreement(s) thereto, exceed the total amount that the Union would have been entitled to receive if the separate contributions had continued.

Section 2.

The Union agrees to provide welfare fund benefits to domestic partners of covered employees in the same manner as those benefits are provided to spouses of married covered employees.

Section 3.

In accordance with the Health Benefits Agreement dated January 11, 2001, each welfare fund shall provide welfare fund benefits equal to the benefits provided on behalf of an active employee to widow(er)s, domestic partners and/or children of any employee who dies in the line of duty as that term is referenced in Section 12-126(b)(2) of the New York City Administrative Code. The cost of providing this benefit shall be funded by the Stabilization Fund.

ARTICLE V - PRODUCTIVITY AND PERFORMANCE

Section 1.

Delivery of municipal services in the most efficient, effective and courteous manner is of paramount importance to the Employer and the Association. Such achievement is recognized to be a mutual obligation of both parties within their respective roles and responsibilities. To achieve and maintain a high level of effectiveness, the parties hereby agree to utilize their best efforts to achieve the highest levels of productivity and performance in the delivery of professional nursing care and treatment of patients.

Section 2. Performance Compensation

The Union acknowledges the Employer's right to pay additional compensation for outstanding performance. The Employer agrees to notify the Union of its intent to pay such additional compensation.

Section 3. Supervisory Responsibility

The Union recognizes the Employer's right under the New York City Collective Bargaining Law to establish and/or revise standards for supervisory responsibility in achieving and maintaining clinical standards and performance levels of supervised employees for employees in supervisory positions listed in Article I, Section 1, of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the above, questions concerning the practical impact that decisions on the above matters have on employees are within the scope of collective bargaining. The employer will give the union prior notice of the establishment and/or revision of standards for supervisory responsibility hereunder.

ARTICLE VI - GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

Section 1.

DEFINITION: The term "Grievance" shall mean:

(A) A dispute concerning the application or interpretation of the terms of this collective bargaining agreement;

(B) A claimed violation, misinterpretation or misapplication of the rules and regulations, written policy or orders of the Employer applicable to the agency which employs the grievant affecting terms and conditions of employment; provided disputes involving the Rules and Regulations of the New York City Civil Service Commission or the Rules and Regulations of the Health and Hospitals

Corporation with respect to those matters set forth in the first paragraph of Section 7390.1 of the Unconsolidated Laws shall not be subject to the grievance procedure or arbitration;

(C) A claimed assignment of employees to duties substantially different from those stated in their job specifications;

(D) A claimed wrongful disciplinary action taken against an employee.

Section 2.

For all grievances as defined in Section 1(c), no monetary award shall in any event cover any period prior to the date of the filing of the Step I grievance unless such grievance has been filed within thirty (30) days of the assignment to the alleged out-of-title work. This limitation shall not apply to a violation of Article III, Section 10 D, "Differential for Working in a Higher Title."

The Grievance Procedure, except for paragraph (D) of Section 1, shall be as follows:

Step I. The Employee and/or the Association shall present the grievance verbally or in the form of a memorandum to the person designated for such purpose by the agency head no later than 120 days after the date on which the grievance arose. The employee may also request an appointment to discuss the grievance. The person designated by the Employer to hear the grievance shall take any steps necessary to a proper disposition of the grievance and shall reply in writing by the end of the third working day following the date of submission.*

* N.B. In the case of grievance in the Health and Hospitals Corporation arising under paragraphs (A) through (C) of Section 1 of this Article, the following STEP I(a) shall apply prior to Step II of this Section:

Step I(a) An appeal from an unsatisfactory determination at Step I, or Step I(a) where applicable, shall be presented in writing to the agency head or his designated representative who shall not be the same person designated in Step I. The appeal must be made within five (5) working days of the receipt of the Step I determination. A copy of the grievance appeal shall be sent to the person who initially passed upon the grievance. The person designated to receive the appeal at this Step shall meet with the employee and/or the Association for review of the grievance and shall issue a written reply to the employee and/or the Association by the end of the fifth (5th) work day following the day on which the appeal was filed.

Step II. An appeal from an unsatisfactory determination at Step I, or Step I(a) where applicable, shall be presented in writing to the agency head or his designated representative who shall not be the same person designated in Step I. The appeal must be made within five (5) working days of the receipt of the Step I or Step I(A) determination. The agency head or his designated representative, if any, shall meet with the employee and/or the Association for review of the grievance and shall issue a determination in writing by the end of the tenth (10th) work day following the date on which the appeal was filed.

Step III. An appeal from an unsatisfactory determination at Step II shall be presented by the employee and/or the Association to the Commissioner of Labor Relations, in writing within ten (10) working days of the receipt of the Step II determination. Copies of such appeal shall be sent to the agency head. The Commissioner of Labor Relations, or his designee, shall review all appeals from Step II determinations and shall answer such appeals within ten (10) working days following the date on which the appeal was filed.

Step IV. An appeal from an unsatisfactory determination at Step III may be brought solely by

the Association to the Office of Collective Bargaining for impartial arbitration within fifteen (15) working days of receipt of the Step III determination.

In addition, the Employer shall have the right to bring directly to arbitration any dispute between the parties concerning any matter defined herein as a "grievance." The Employer shall commence such arbitration by submitting a written request therefore to the Office of Collective Bargaining. A copy of the notice requesting impartial arbitration shall be forwarded to the opposing party. The arbitration shall be conducted in accord with the Consolidated Rules of the Office of Collective Bargaining. The costs and fees of such arbitration shall be borne equally by the Association and the Employer. The determination or award of the arbitrator shall be final and binding in accord with applicable law and shall not add to, subtract from or modify any contract, rule, regulation, written policy or order mentioned in Section 1 of this Article.

Section 3.

As a condition to the right of the Association to invoke impartial arbitration set forth in this Article, the employee or employees and the Association shall be required to file with the Director of the Office of Collective Bargaining a written waiver of the right, if any, of the employee or employees and the Association to submit the underlying dispute to any other administrative or judicial tribunal except for the purpose of enforcing the arbitrator's award.

Section 4.

Any grievance of a general nature affecting a large number of employees and which concerns the claimed misinterpretation, inequitable application, violation or failure to comply with the provisions of this agreement shall be filed at the option of the Association at Step III of the Grievance Procedure, without resort to previous steps, except that a grievance concerning employees of the Health and Hospitals Corporation shall be filed directly at Step II of the Grievance Procedure. Such "group" grievance must be filed no later than 120 days after the date on which the grievance arose, and all other procedural limits, including time limits, set forth in this Article shall apply. All other individual grievances in process concerning the same issue shall be consolidated with the "group" grievance.

Section 5.

If a determination satisfactory to the Association at any level of the Grievance Procedure is not implemented within a reasonable time, the Association may reinstitute the original grievance at Step III of the Grievance Procedure; or if a satisfactory Step III determination has not been so implemented, the Association may institute a grievance concerning such failure to implement at Step IV of the Grievance Procedure.

Section 6.

If the Employer exceeds any time limit prescribed at any step in the Grievance Procedure, the grievant and/or the Association may invoke the next step of the procedure, except, however, that only the Association may invoke impartial arbitration under Step IV.

Section 7.

The Employer shall notify the Association in writing of all grievances filed by employees, all grievance hearings, and all determinations. The Association shall have the right to have a representative present at any grievance hearing and shall be given forty-eight (48) hours notice of all such grievance hearings.

Section 8.

Grievances relating to a claimed wrongful disciplinary action taken against an employee shall be subject to and governed by the following special procedure:

The provisions contained in this section shall not apply to the following category of employees covered by this contract:

- a. Effective July 1, 2006, full-time employees with less than twelve (12) months of service unless a longer period is agreed by the Association.
- b. Employees covered by Section 75(1) of the Civil Service Law or Section 7:5:1 of the Rules and Regulations of the Health and Hospitals Corporation.
- c. Employees paid on a per visit basis.

Effective July 1, 2006, any per diem employee who works at least half-time per week and has performed such per diem work at least twelve (12) months shall be entitled to utilize the contractual grievance procedure (including disciplinary matters) up to and including Step III.

Step I. Following the service of written charges upon an employee, with a copy to be sent to the Association's New York City office, a conference shall be held with respect to such charges by a person who is designated by the agency head to review such charges. The employee may be represented at such conference by a representative of the Association. The person designated by the agency head to review the charges shall take any steps necessary to a proper disposition of the charges and shall issue a decision in writing by the end of the fifth day following the date of the conference.

Step II. If the employee is dissatisfied with the decision in Step I above, she/he may appeal such decision. The appeal must be within five (5) working days of the receipt of such decision. Such appeal shall be treated as a grievance appeal beginning with Step II of the Grievance Procedure set forth herein.

Section 9.

A non-Mayoral agency not covered by this agreement but which employs employees in titles identical to those certified to be covered by this contract may elect to permit the Association to appeal an unsatisfactory determination received at the last step of its Grievance Procedure prior to arbitration on fiscal matters only to the Commissioner of Labor Relations. If such election is made, the Association shall present its appeal to the Commissioner of Labor Relations in writing within ten (10) working days of the receipt of the last step determination. Copies of such appeal shall be sent to the agency head. The Commissioner of Labor Relations, or his designee, shall review all such appeals and answer all such appeals within ten (10) working days.

An appeal from a determination of the Commissioner of Labor Relations may be taken to arbitration under procedures, if any, applicable to the non-Mayoral agency involved.

Section 10.

The grievance and the arbitration procedure contained in this agreement shall be the exclusive remedy for the resolution of disputes defined as "grievances" herein. This shall not be interpreted to preclude either party from enforcing the arbitrator's award in court. This Section shall not be construed in any manner to limit the statutory right and obligation of the Employer under Article XIV of the Civil Service Law.

Section 11. Expedited Arbitration Procedure.

a. The parties agree that there is a need for an expedited arbitration process which would allow for the prompt adjudication of grievances as set forth below.

b. The parties voluntarily agree to submit matters to final and binding arbitration pursuant to the New York City Collective Bargaining Law and under the jurisdiction of the Office of Collective Bargaining. An arbitrator or panel of arbitrators, as agreed to by the parties, will act as the arbitrator of any issue submitted under the expedited procedure herein.

c. The selection of those matters which will be submitted shall include, but not limited to, out-of-title cases concerning all titles, disciplinary cases wherein the proposed penalty is a monetary fine of one week or less or written reprimand, and other cases pursuant to mutual agreement by the parties. The following procedures shall apply:

i. SELECTION AND SCHEDULING OF CASES:

- (1) The Deputy Chairperson for Disputes of the Office of Collective Bargaining shall propose which cases shall be subject to the procedures set forth in this Section 11 and notify the parties of proposed hearing dates for such cases.
- (2) The parties shall have ten business days from the receipt of the Deputy Chairperson's proposed list of cases and hearing schedule(s) raise any objections thereto.
- (3) If a case is not proposed by the Deputy Chairperson for expedited handling, either party may, at any time prior to the scheduling of an arbitration hearing date for such case, request in writing to the other party and to the Deputy Chairperson of Disputes of the Office of Collective Bargaining that said case be submitted to the expedited procedure. The party receiving such request shall have ten business days from the receipt of the request to raise any objections thereto.
- (4) No case shall be submitted to the expedited arbitration process without the mutual agreement of the parties.

ii. CONDUCT OF HEARINGS:

- (1) The presentation of the case, to the extent possible, shall be made in the narrative form. To the degree that witnesses are necessary, examination will be limited to questions of material fact and cross examination will be similarly limited. Submission of relevant documents, etc., will not be unreasonably limited and may be submitted as a "packet" exhibit.
- (2) In the event either party is unable to proceed with hearing a particular case, the case shall be rescheduled. However, only one adjournment shall be permitted. In the event that either party is unable to proceed on a second occasion, a default judgment may be entered against the adjourning party at the Arbitrator's discretion absent good cause shown.
- (3) The Arbitrator shall not be precluded from attempting to assist the parties in settling a particular case.
- (4) A decision will be issued by the Arbitrator within two weeks. It will not be necessary in the Award to recount any of the facts presented. However, a brief explanation of the Arbitrator's rationale may be included. Bench decisions may also be issued by the Arbitrator.
- (5) Decisions in this expedited procedure shall not be considered as precedent for any other case nor entered into evidence in any other forum or dispute except to enforce the Arbitrator's award.
- (6) The parties shall, whenever possible, exchange any documents intended to be offered in evidence at least one week in advance of the first hearing date and shall endeavor to stipulate to the issue in advance of the hearing date.

ARTICLE VII - WORK SCHEDULES

The City of New York and the Health and Hospitals Corporation shall post a schedule of each employee's work assignments not less than two (2) weeks in advance of the start of each work cycle. Except when prevented by circumstances beyond its control, or when accommodating the particular employee affected, any change in work schedule within the month shall be posted not less than 48 hours in advance of the scheduled date of change. A copy of such change shall be given to the employee affected.

ARTICLE VIII - REASSIGNMENTS

All routine, non-emergency changes of assignments of an involuntary nature will be given to the employee in writing two weeks in advance and shall state the duration of the assignments, if known. In the Health and Hospitals Corporation, if the reassignment involves a change of tour, the employee will be given four (4) weeks written notice. The Mayoral Agencies will make their best efforts to give more than two (2) weeks written notice of reassignments involving a change of tour; such notice will not be made in an arbitrary or capricious manner.

ARTICLE IX - SENIORITY

The Employer will furnish annually to the Association seniority lists by facility and will correct such lists from time to time as may be necessary. Such lists shall reflect each employee's date of original appointment and length of service in the employee's current title. The list will conclusively establish an employee's seniority in the facility unless the employee protests it, in writing, within thirty (30) days from the time it is furnished or, if the employee is on absence leave or vacation or otherwise unable to so protest it within such time, within thirty (30) days after the employee returns from such leave or vacation or such disability is removed.

ARTICLE X - PROFESSIONAL PRACTITIONER STATUS

Section 1.

The City of New York and Health and Hospitals Corporation recognize that employees covered by this Agreement have a unique contribution to make towards maintaining and improving professional nursing care. Therefore, procedures should be developed whereby the views and recommendations of the employees covered by this Agreement can be heard and considered in the decision making process within each institution.

The City of New York and Health and Hospitals Corporation recognize the importance of Registered Professional Nurses adhering to the scope of the Nurse Practice Act and the standards of the profession.

Section 2.

a. A Nursing Practice Committee shall be maintained at each Health and Hospitals Corporation institution and Mayoral agency to consider problems of nursing practice and to make recommendations on such matters. The committee should be comprised of an equal number of members of nursing management and of the Association. Association members should consist of one from each clinical service/specialty with a cross section of titles currently utilized in the respective facility or agency. Members of nursing management serving on this committee should be composed of representatives from the services within the facility or agency. The committee shall select a chairman from among its members every six months. The chairmanship of the committee shall alternate between the members designated by the Director of Nursing and the members designated by the Association. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the respective Association and Management membership of the Committee. The Committee shall meet on a monthly basis on a schedule established by the committee. The discussions of the committee should be professional and collaborative in nature, striving to address professional nursing issues in a mutually respectful manner. Both parties agree to align their activities to support mutually agreed upon recommendations.

b. At HHC facilities the Nursing Practice Committees will consider current nursing issues facing the profession. Issues will include, but are not limited to, RN recruitment, RN retention, education, clinical programs and services, product evaluation and informatics.

c. Recommendations on nursing practice issues shall be made in writing to the institutional Director of Nursing or the Director of Nursing of Prison Health Services. The institutional Director of Nursing or the Director of Nursing of Prison Health Services shall respond in

writing, within fifteen (15) working days. The decision of the institutional Director of Nursing or the Director of Prison Health Services is not subject to the grievance and arbitration procedure of this Agreement. Matters subject to the grievance and arbitration procedure shall not be appropriate items for consideration by this committee.

Section 3.

The Corporation/City of New York shall work towards the elimination of non-nursing functions where performed by Registered Professional Nurses. The Nursing Practice Committee in each facility shall consider steps to be taken by the facility to relieve Registered Professional Nurses of tasks and responsibilities which in the judgment of the Nursing Practice Committee constitute non-nursing functions, subject to the Rules and Regulations of the HHC and the City of New York. Recommendations of the Committee shall be made in writing to the institutional Director of Nursing and to the Executive Director or Program Director who shall consider the recommendations and who will respond, in writing, within twenty (20) working days.

CORPORATION:

The decision of the Executive Director may be appealed by the Association in writing, within fifteen (15) working days after issuance, to a HHC Central Office Appeal Committee composed of the Vice President, Human Resources; Vice President, Finance; Vice President, Medical Operations; the Assistant Vice President - Corporate Nursing; an Executive Director; and a Director of Nursing from an HHC facility; or their designee. The committee will meet at least monthly to hear and consider appeals of an Executive Director's decision on non-nursing functions. The written appeal filed by the Association shall include information submitted to the Nursing Practice Committee, the recommendation of the Nursing Practice Committee the decision of the Executive Director, other information the Association believes is relevant to the appeal and a statement explaining why the Association disagrees with the decision of the Executive Director on the recommendation of the Nursing Practice Committee. The Appeal Committee shall issue a written response within forty-five (45) working days of the date the Appeal Committee heard the appeal.

Matters presented to the Central Office Appeal Committee shall not be subject to the grievance procedure and arbitration nor appeal to the Personnel Review Board, and the decision of the Appeal Committee shall be final and binding:

MAYORAL AGENCY:

The decision of the Program Director may be appealed by the Association in writing within fifteen working days after issuance to the Commissioner of the Office of Labor Relations. The written appeal filed by the Association shall include information submitted to the Nursing Practice Committee, the recommendation of the Nursing Practice Committee, the decision of the Program Director, other information the Association believes is relevant to the appeal and a statement explaining why the Association disagrees with the decision of the Program Director on the recommendation of the Nursing Practice Committee. The Commissioner of the Office of Labor Relations or his designee shall issue a written response within forty-five (45) working days of the date the Office of Labor Relations heard the appeal.

Matters presented to the Office of Labor Relations shall not be subject to the grievance procedure nor arbitration, and the decision of the Office of Labor Relations shall be final and binding.

ARTICLE XI - PATIENT CLASSIFICATION SYSTEMS

The City of New York and the Health and Hospitals Corporation are presently developing uniform patient classification systems for the various clinical services and, from such systems, will continue developing appropriate staffing standards and patterns pertinent to the delivery of quality nursing care and responsive to patient acuity.

Consistent with such standards, consideration will be given to: Reallocation of fiscal and/or human resources within an institution; intensification of recruitment efforts; and, in situations of greatest urgency, in collaboration with the Nursing Practice Committee, consolidation of services and control of admissions.

The parties agree to work collaboratively, at the corporate and facility level, to facilitate the timely implementation of the above provisions.

ARTICLE XII - ORIENTATION AND IN-SERVICE EDUCATION

The Nursing Orientation and In-Service Education Program(s) at each facility shall be in conformance with the JCAHO standards. Any dispute concerning this paragraph shall be submitted to the Education and Staff Development Committee as provided by Article XIII of the Agreement and shall not be subject to the Grievance Procedure.

ARTICLE XIII - EDUCATION AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A Committee shall continue to recommend guidelines with respect to eligibility for tuition reimbursement, education leave and staff development. The Committee shall be comprised of an equal number of representatives from the New York State Nurses Association and the Health and Hospitals Corporation, but not to exceed five (5) in number from each side. The Committee will meet on a bi-monthly basis on a schedule established by the Committee. Though the Committee shall be apprised of all current grievances relating to tuition reimbursement, et al., no action of the Committee will affect the progression of grievances under the contract.

ARTICLE XIV - BULLETIN BOARDS: EMPLOYER FACILITIES

The Association may post notices on bulletin boards in places and locations where notices usually are posted by the employer for the employees to read. The City of New York and the Health and Hospitals Corporation will provide one (1) such bulletin board in every building where Registered Professional Nurses are employed. Upon request to the responsible official in charge of a work location, the Association may use the employer premises for meetings during employees' lunch hours subject to availability of appropriate space and provided such meetings do not interfere with employer business. Notices to be on Association's stationery and letterhead.

ARTICLE XV - LOCKER ROOMS

The Health and Hospitals Corporation's Director for Personnel and Labor Relations and the Commissioner of Labor Relations for each affected mayoral agency shall issue a memorandum, within 30 days of the Financial Control Board's approval of the Contract, to the institution's Executive Directors requesting the preparation of a report within 60 days from issuance date of the memorandum. The report shall include evaluation of locker room availability and security, and the submission of plans for improvements (including projected timetables) where indicated and feasible. A copy of report(s) shall be given to the Association.

ARTICLE XVI - NO STRIKES

In accordance with the New York City Collective Bargaining Law, as amended, neither the Association nor any employee shall induce or engage in any strikes, slowdowns, work stoppages, mass absenteeism, or induce any mass resignations during the term of this Agreement.

ARTICLE XVII - CITYWIDE ISSUES

Section 1.

Except as provided in Section 2 through Section 4 of this Article XVII, this Agreement is subject to the provisions, terms and conditions of the Agreement which has been or may be negotiated between the City and the Union recognized as the exclusive collective bargaining representative on Citywide matters which must be uniform for specified employees, including the employees covered by this Agreement.

Employees in Rule X titles shall receive the benefits of the Citywide Agreement unless otherwise specifically excluded herein.

Section 2.

a. Pursuant to Article V, Section 23 of the 1985-87 Citywide Agreement or its successor as modified by a Supplemental Agreement dated September 5, 1985, the parties agree that it is impracticable to recruit for the titles covered by this Agreement and the City has applied for and received a variation of the provisions contained in that Citywide Agreement as they relate to annual leave allowances for employees hired on or after July 1, 1985 and has also applied for and received a variation of the list and number of holidays.

b. The employees covered by this Agreement shall continue to receive annual leave allowances in accordance with Article V, Section 1a of the 1980-82 Citywide Agreement as modified by the Supplemental Agreement dated September 5, 1985 and shall not be subject to the modification of Article V, Section 9 of the 1980-82 Citywide Agreement set forth in paragraph "Second" of the Supplemental Agreement dated September 5, 1985.

c. The following annual leave schedules shall apply to all employees hired by the Employer on or before June 30, 2006:

Beginning the first year: 20 days
Beginning the 8th year: 25 days
Beginning the 15th year: 27 days

d. The following annual leave schedules shall apply to all employees hired by the Employer on or after July 1, 2006:

Beginning the first year: 18 days
Beginning the third year: 20 days
Beginning the 8th year: 25 days

e. Employees hired on or after July 1, 2006 shall not be entitled to use accrued annual leave for the first 6 months of employment, nor shall they be entitled to payment for accrued annual leave upon termination of employment before completing 6 months of employment.

Section 3. Holidays

a. Effective July 1, 2006, Employees shall receive the following listed eight (8) paid holidays per year:

New Year's Day	Labor Day
Washington's Birthday	Veteran's Day
Memorial Day	Thanksgiving Day
Independence Day	Christmas Day

b. Effective July 1, 2006, Employees shall receive three (3) paid personal leave days per Calendar Year, to be used consistent with the rules governing annual leave, and treated separately from annual leave accrual. Employees may designate Martin Luther King Day as one of the personal leave days.

Section 4. Night Shift Differential

a. Employees in the following listed titles shall continue to receive a Night Shift Differential as provided in Article III, Section 6 of this Agreement:

Staff Nurse
Staff Nurse (Department for the Aging)
Assistant Head Nurse
Head Nurse
Head Nurse (DOS)
Supervisor of Nurses
Midwife
Nurse-Midwife
Nurse-Practitioner
Associate Midwife (Level A)
Associate Midwife (Level B)

Associate Nurse Practitioner (Level I)
Associate Nurse Practitioner (Level II)

b. Employees in the following listed titles shall continue to receive a Night Shift Differential in accordance with Article III, Section 1 of the 1995-2001 Citywide Agreement:

Case Management Nurse, Level I, Level II (PD)
Case Management Nurse, Level I, Level II (FD)
Case Management Nurse, Level I, Level II (DOC)
Case Management Nurse (DOS)
Sr. Case Management Nurse (DOS)

ARTICLE XVIII - ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES

Time spent by employee representatives to conduct labor relations with the City and on Association activities shall be governed by the terms of Executive Order No. 75, as amended, dated March 22, 1973, entitled "Time Spent on the Conduct of Labor Relations between the City and Its Employees and on Union Activity" or any other applicable Executive Order.

ARTICLE XIX - OFFICE SPACE

The Health and Hospitals Corporation's Director for Personnel and Labor Relations shall issue a memorandum requesting that each Executive Director determine if space is available to be used by the NYSNA for the conduct of Association business within each facility.

The Commissioner of Labor Relations for the affected Mayoral agencies shall request that such space availability be determined by the agency.

ARTICLE XX - LABOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Section 1.

The Employer and the Association, having recognized that cooperation between management and employees is indispensable to the accomplishment of sound and harmonious labor relations, shall jointly maintain and support a labor-management committee in each of the agencies.

Section 2.

Each labor-management committee shall consider and recommend to the agency head, utilization of professional nursing personnel, problems of nursing education, patient care, involuntary overtime, shift rotation, involuntary frequent assignment rotation (floating) and changes in the working conditions of the employees within the agency who are covered by this Agreement. Matters subject to the Grievance Procedure shall not be appropriate items for consideration by the labor-management committee.

Section 3.

Each labor-management committee shall consist of six members who shall serve for the term of this agreement. The Association may, through its members on the committee, designate a consultant to attend a particular meeting. The agency shall have the same right. The Association shall designate three members and the agency head shall designate three members. Vacancies shall be filled by the appointing party for the balance of the term to be served. Each member may designate one alternate. Each committee shall select a chairman from among its members at each meeting. The chairmanship of each committee shall alternate between the members designated by the agency head and the members designated by the Association. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the total membership of a committee. A committee shall make its recommendations to the agency head in writing.

Section 4.

The labor-management committee shall meet at the call of either the Association members or the Employer members at times mutually agreeable to both parties. At least one week in advance of a meeting, the party calling the meeting shall provide, to the other party, a written agenda of matters to be discussed. Minutes shall be kept and copies supplied to all members of the committee.

ARTICLE XXI - FINANCIAL EMERGENCY ACT

The provisions of this Agreement are subject to applicable provisions of law, including the New York State Financial Emergency Act for the City of New York as amended.

ARTICLE XXII - APPENDICES

The Appendix or Appendices, if any, attached hereto and initialed by the undersigned shall be deemed a part of this Agreement as if fully set forth herein.

ARTICLE XXIII - SAVINGS CLAUSE

In the event that any provision of this Agreement is found to be invalid, such invalidity shall not impair the validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement.

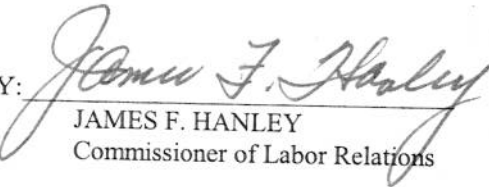
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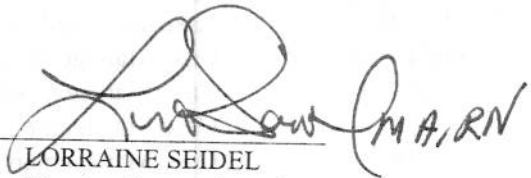
The use of supplemental nursing services by the Health and Hospitals Corporation's facilities shall be in conformance with applicable Corporation Operating Procedures (including Operating Procedure 130-1).

WHEREFORE, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 27th day of June, 2008

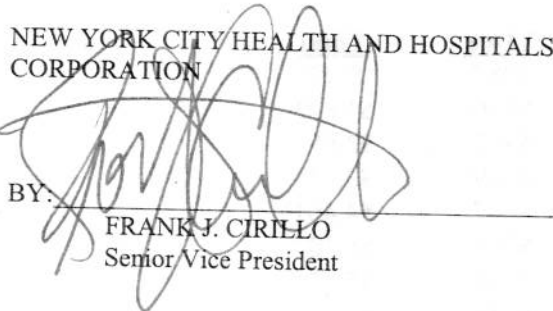
CITY OF NEW YORK AND
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BY: 
JAMES F. HANLEY
Commissioner of Labor Relations

BY:  (M.A., R.N)
LORRAINE SEIDEL
Director, Economic and
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NEW YORK CITY HEALTH AND HOSPITALS
CORPORATION

BY: 
FRANK J. CIRILLO
Senior Vice President

APPROVED AS TO FORM

BY: 
PAUL T. REPHEN
Acting Corporation Counsel

SUBMITTED TO THE
FINANCIAL CONTROL BOARD

DATE: _____

UNIT: STAFF NURSES
TERM: December 1, 2007 to January 20, 2010

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APPENDIX A (1)

EXPERIENCE / LONGEVITY SCHEDULE

<u>TITLE CODE</u>	<u>TITLE</u>
000480	Assistant Head Nurse
06240	Case Management Nurse (DOC) Level I
09968	Case Management Nurse (DOS)
50959	Case Management Nurse (FD) Level I
50958	Case Management Nurse (PD) Level I
50910,509100, 09771	Staff Nurse
05490	Staff Nurse (Department for the Aging)

		<u>1/1/08</u>	<u>7/1/08</u>	<u>Total</u>
After 1 Year		\$987	\$987	\$987
After 2 Years	An additional:	\$836	\$836	\$1,823
After 3 Years	An additional:	\$862	\$862	\$2,685
After 4 Years	An additional:	\$869	\$869	\$3,554
After 5 Years	An additional:	\$847	\$847	\$4,401
After 6 Years	An additional:	\$726	\$726	\$5,127
After 7 Years	An additional:	\$844	\$844	\$5,971
After 8 Years	An additional:	\$734	\$734	\$6,705
After 9 Years	An additional:	\$740	\$740	\$7,445
After 10 Years	An additional:	\$745	\$745	\$8,190
After 11 Years	An additional:	\$761	\$761	\$8,951
After 12 Years	An additional:	\$766	\$766	\$9,717
After 13 Years	An additional:	\$722	\$722	\$10,439
After 14 Years	An additional:	\$811	\$811	\$11,250
After 15 Years	An additional:	\$860	\$860	\$12,110
After 16 Years	An additional:	\$770	\$770	\$12,880
After 17 Years	An additional:	\$789	\$789	\$13,669
After 18 Years	An additional:	\$790	\$790	\$14,459
After 19 Years	An additional:	\$818	\$818	\$15,277
After 20 Years	An additional:	\$1,135	\$1,135	\$16,412
After 21 Years	An additional:	\$760	\$760	\$17,172
After 22 Years	An additional:	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$18,172

NOTE : The Experience/Longevity Pay shall be paid after one (1) through twenty-two (22) years of experience. Placement on the schedule is based on total number of years of Mayoralty/HHC service in any NYSNA-represented title. Effective January 1, 2008, in HHC up to 10 years of experience as an RN with a non-Mayoral/HHC employer shall be credited based on outside experience. In Mayoral Agencies up to 5 years of experience as an RN with a non-Mayoral/HHC employer shall be credited based on outside experience.

However, outside experience credit is granted only if an employee is hired into the same title held in his/her prior position. For the purpose of evaluating the outside experience of the Case Management Nurse Level 1 and Case Management Nurse (DOS) titles, time as a Staff Nurse will count. For the purpose of evaluating the outside experience of the Case Management Nurse Level 2 and Senior Case Management Nurse (DOS) titles, time as a Head Nurse will count.



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APPENDIX A (2)

EXPERIENCE / LONGEVITY SCHEDULE

<u>TITLE CODE</u>	<u>TITLE</u>
06240	Case Management Nurse (DOC) Level II
50959	Case Management Nurse (FD) Level II
50958	Case Management Nurse (PD) Level II
50935,509350	Head Nurse
06124	Head Nurse (DOS)
05207	Sr. Case Management Nurse (DOS)

		<u>1/1/08</u>	<u>7/1/08</u>	<u>Total</u>
After 1 Year		\$1,042	\$1,042	\$1,042
After 2 Years	An additional:	\$882	\$882	\$1,924
After 3 Years	An additional:	\$910	\$910	\$2,834
After 4 Years	An additional:	\$918	\$918	\$3,752
After 5 Years	An additional:	\$894	\$894	\$4,646
After 6 Years	An additional:	\$766	\$766	\$5,412
After 7 Years	An additional:	\$890	\$890	\$6,302
After 8 Years	An additional:	\$776	\$776	\$7,078
After 9 Years	An additional:	\$780	\$780	\$7,858
After 10 Years	An additional:	\$787	\$787	\$8,645
After 11 Years	An additional:	\$803	\$803	\$9,448
After 12 Years	An additional:	\$809	\$809	\$10,257
After 13 Years	An additional:	\$762	\$762	\$11,019
After 14 Years	An additional:	\$856	\$856	\$11,875
After 15 Years	An additional:	\$908	\$908	\$12,783
After 16 Years	An additional:	\$812	\$812	\$13,595
After 17 Years	An additional:	\$834	\$834	\$14,429
After 18 Years	An additional:	\$833	\$833	\$15,262
After 19 Years	An additional:	\$863	\$863	\$16,125
After 20 Years	An additional:	\$1,199	\$1,199	\$17,324
After 21 Years	An additional:	\$824	\$824	\$18,148
After 22 Years	An additional:	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$19,148



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APPENDIX A (3)

EXPERIENCE / LONGEVITY SCHEDULE

<u>TITLE CODE</u>	<u>TITLE</u>
965130	Associate Midwife Level A
965140	Associate Midwife Level B
966410	Associate Nurse Practitioner Level I
966420	Associate Nurse Practitioner Level II
509120	Midwife
50912	Nurse Midwife
001960	Nurse Practitioner
06068	Nurse Practitioner (DOS)
50960,509600	Supervisor of Nurses Level I

	<u>1/1/08</u>	<u>7/1/08</u>	<u>Total</u>
After 1 Year	\$1,097	\$1,097	\$1,097
After 2 Years	An additional: \$928	\$928	\$2,025
After 3 Years	An additional: \$958	\$958	\$2,983
After 4 Years	An additional: \$966	\$966	\$3,949
After 5 Years	An additional: \$941	\$941	\$4,890
After 6 Years	An additional: \$807	\$807	\$5,697
After 7 Years	An additional: \$937	\$937	\$6,634
After 8 Years	An additional: \$816	\$816	\$7,450
After 9 Years	An additional: \$822	\$822	\$8,272
After 10 Years	An additional: \$828	\$828	\$9,100
After 11 Years	An additional: \$845	\$845	\$9,945
After 12 Years	An additional: \$852	\$852	\$10,797
After 13 Years	An additional: \$802	\$802	\$11,599
After 14 Years	An additional: \$901	\$901	\$12,500
After 15 Years	An additional: \$956	\$956	\$13,456
After 16 Years	An additional: \$855	\$855	\$14,311
After 17 Years	An additional: \$877	\$877	\$15,188
After 18 Years	An additional: \$877	\$877	\$16,065
After 19 Years	An additional: \$909	\$909	\$16,974
After 20 Years	An additional: \$1,262	\$1,262	\$18,236
After 21 Years	An additional: \$887	\$887	\$19,123
After 22 Years	An additional: \$1,000	\$1,000	\$20,123

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Commissioner
MARGARET M. CONNOR
First Deputy Commissioner

Dated _____, 2008

Ms. Lorraine Seidel
 New York State Nurses Association
 120 Wall Street
 New York, New York 10005

Dear Ms. Seidel:

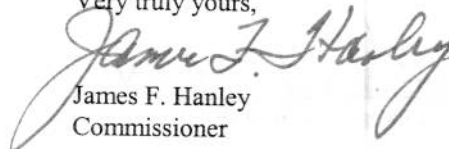
Pursuant to negotiations for the 2007-2010 NYSNA contract, the following was agreed:

In the event any registered nurse considers that in his/her professional opinion he/she has been given an assignment that is unsafe and/or endangers patient care, he/she will accept and perform the assignment, but shall immediately notify his/her nurse manager. The nurse manager, or designee, shall review the assignment as soon as practicable with the registered nurse and shall make a determination concerning the appropriateness of the assignment. If the registered nurse, in his/her professional judgement, disagrees with the nurse manager's or designee's determination, then he/she will accept and perform the assignment and shall file a Protest of Assignment with the Nursing Office. Nursing management will respond to the Protest of Assignment in writing.

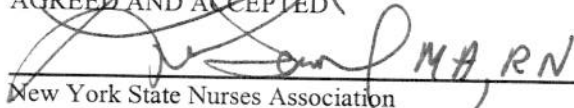
The NYSNA may bring the issue of protests of assignment to the labor-management committee at each facility. In so doing the NYSNA shall notify the management representatives in advance and in writing of the protests of assignment that will be raised. The notice will include specific information concerning the protests and/or the pattern of protests that the NYSNA wishes to discuss. After meeting at the facility level, if the NYSNA believes that a consistent pattern of protests of assignments persists at a facility, they may bring that pattern of protests to the monthly labor-management meeting held at the Corporate level. The NYSNA will notify the Corporation management representatives in advance and in writing of the patterns of protests of assignment that will be raised and the notice will include specific information concerning the protests and the pattern of protests that the NYSNA wishes to discuss. There shall be no adverse action taken against any employee for exercising this right.

If the above conforms to your understanding, please countersign below.

Very truly yours,


 James F. Hanley
 Commissioner

AGREED AND ACCEPTED


 Margaret M. Connor, RN
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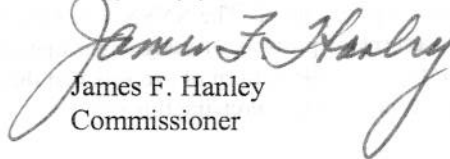
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New York State Nurses Association
120 Wall Street
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Re: 2007-2010 Staff Nurse Unit Agreement

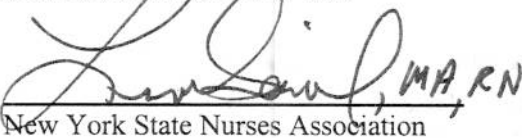
Dear Ms. Seidel:

This is to confirm the parties mutual understanding that the Union and Management are bound by the New York City Collective Bargaining Law and New York City Board of Collective Bargaining Decision B-22-2002 and the obligations they impose on the parties regarding criteria and procedures for implementing performance compensation.

Very truly yours,


James F. Hanley
Commissioner

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Ms. Lorraine Seidel
Director
Economic & General Welfare Program
New York State Nurses Association
120 Wall Street
New York, New York 10005

Re: PRECEPTORSHIP PROGRAM

Dear Ms. Seidel:

Pursuant to negotiations for the 2007-2010 NYSNA contract, the following is agreed:

The Parties agree that the adoption, implementation and maintenance of an effective orientation program is a key element in ensuring that newly hired, promoted or transferred nurses are properly prepared to assume their professional duties. The parties further agree that such a program will enhance the recruitment and retention of newly hired nurses and facilitate the provision of high quality health services to the people of the City of New York.

Accordingly, the Employer and the Union recognize the importance of providing a core clinical orientation to each newly hired, promoted and/or transferred employee and of providing these employees with appropriate monitoring and guidance. In furtherance of this objective the parties agree to discuss the creation of preceptorship programs in the various facilities that will include the following program guidelines:

1. Participation in the preceptor program will be voluntary and no employee will be required to become a preceptor.
2. Employees who volunteer to participate in the preceptor program and successfully complete all required training will be eligible to perform the role of preceptor. Time spent in required preceptor training programs, including mandated continuing preceptor training, will be considered paid working time.
3. The direct patient care duties of preceptors will be limited, wherever possible, during the period of time that they are precepting. Conditions permitting, the assignment of patients to the orientee will be

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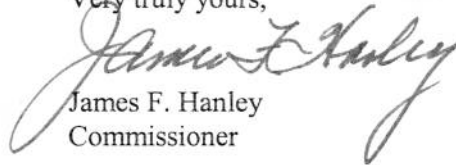
progressive and the preceptor's evaluation of the orientee's capabilities will be considered. A preceptor will not be unreasonably assigned simultaneously to more than one orientee.

4. Employees assigned to preceptor duties will be paid additional compensation at the rate of \$1.00 per hour for time worked as a preceptor.

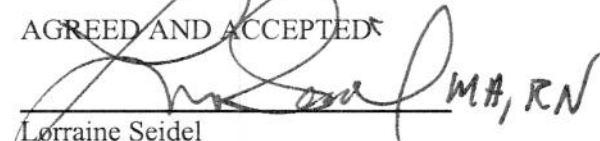
5. Issues related to the implementation and maintenance of preceptor programs may be brought to a labor-management meeting at the facility level, or to the Corporate level, if appropriate.

If the above conforms to your understanding, please countersign below.

Very truly yours,


James F. Hanley
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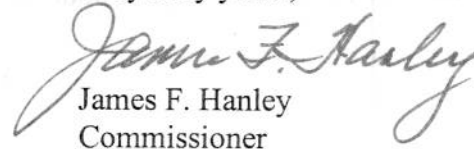
Re: NYSNA Agreement for the Period December 1, 2007 to January 20, 2010

Dear Ms. Seidel:

This is to confirm that pursuant to the 2000-2002 Staff Nurse Agreement negotiations, the New York State Nurses Association (NYSNA) was permitted three (3) additional full-time positions with full pay and benefits pursuant to Executive Order No. 75.

The NYSNA Staff Nurse collective bargaining settlement was charged to fully fund these additional positions.

Very truly yours,


James F. Hanley
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Ms. Lorraine Seidel
Director, Economic & General Welfare
New York State Nurses Association
120 Wall Street
New York, New York 10006

Dear Ms. Seidel:

Pursuant to negotiations for the 2007-2010 NYSNA contract, the following is agreed:

It is understood that the creation and classification of titles is a managerial prerogative.

The parties agree that the labor/management committee established pursuant to negotiations for the 1992-95 NYSNA contract will continue to be responsible for discussing and proposing "career ladders" applicable to registered professional nurses. It is understood that any proposal agreed to by the committee can only be implemented if there is sufficient funding available to cover the costs of such proposal and if such a proposal is consistent with the operational needs of HHC.

If the above conforms to your understanding, please countersign below.

Very truly yours,

James F. Hanley
Commissioner

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Dated: _____, 2008

Ms. Lorraine Seidel
Director, Economic & General Welfare
New York State Nurses Association
120 Wall Street
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Dear Ms. Seidel:

This is to summarize agreements made pursuant to negotiations for the 2007-2010 Staff Nurse Agreement

1. HHC has re-issued Operating Procedure 120-2, with a cover memorandum as discussed during prior negotiations, concerning hospital to hospital transfers; HHC has also notified its facilities to establish policies so that registered professional nurses will not be used to accompany patients on clinic visits when the patient's condition does not require professional care.

2. HHC has established In Service/Leadership Training for nurses. All registered professional nurses are eligible to apply for this training; applications will have to be approved by the applying nurse's respective facility; and training will be provided centrally. The time allocated for attendance at this training will not be charged to an individual's leave balances. The HHC will continue to provide training to registered professional nurses on how to recognize and deal with violent patients and visitors.

3. HHC has issued a letter to all its facilities requesting that when space planning is done the facilities consider providing lounge space for nursing staff.

4. HHC has issued a letter to nursing directors stating that when a facility's Infection Control Department determines that a number of the nursing staff should be released from duty because of exposure to a communicable disease such release will be

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made without charge to leave balances.

5. The documentation forms already agreed to by the parties for situations where nursing staff are assigned to higher level duties pursuant to Article III, Section 10D have been issued.

6. The Health and Hospitals Corporation and Mayoral agencies will make concerted efforts to provide locker rooms and lounges for registered professional nurses in each facility.

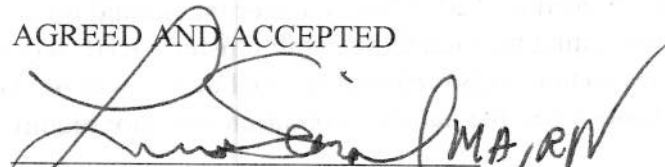
7. The Health and Hospitals Corporation Vice President for Human Resources will arrange a meeting with representatives from the New York State Nurses Association and appropriate staff from Kings County Hospital to discuss provision of lounges in the currently planned new hospital buildings at Kings County Hospital.

8. The Health and Hospital Corporation and the Mayoral agencies have issued the agreed to policies concerning floating, rotations, and weekends. These policies are attached to the contract.

Very truly yours,


James F. Hanley
Commissioner

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AGREEMENT entered into this 27th day of June by and between the City of New York, the Health and Hospitals Corporation, and New York State Nurses Association consistent with Article II, Section 2 of the 1995-2001 Citywide Agreement with regard to the scheduling of the group of employees covered by this Agreement.

1. DURATION

A. This Agreement, unless otherwise stated, will be effective from **December 1, 2007** and will remain in effect until **January 20, 2010**.

2. DEFINITIONS

A. Normal Schedule: An arrangement of workdays and hours in which an employee fulfills her/his work commitment in five (5), seven and one-half hour (7 ½) days within a seven (7) day period of time.

B. AWS: An arrangement of workdays and hours in which an employee fulfills her/his work commitment in a manner other than the standard five (5), seven and one-half (7 ½) hour days.

C. The term "employee" is defined, for the purpose of this Agreement, to include full-time, part-time, and per diem employees employed by the Health and Hospitals Corporation.

3. PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF AWS

A. Alternate work schedules may be implemented in units where no AWS had been utilized upon submission of the following information to the facility Director of Human Resources and to the Association at least one (1) month before the commencement of AWS:

1. The specific unit and service involved in the AWS, indicating by tour, the name and title and schedule of all employees on the unit.

2. A copy of the first months schedule for the unit.

B. The parties shall then review the submission and discuss, prior to implementation date, any inconsistency with this Agreement.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION IN AWS

A. Employees shall select AWS on a voluntary basis only.

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B. Employees working an alternate work schedule may request to be changed to a normal schedule upon four (4) weeks written notice to the Director of Nursing. Such request shall be granted whenever possible, at the discretion of the Director.

C. The parties recognize that sick calls that occur by employees working AWS are more difficult to cover than employees working a normal schedule. Therefore, every effort will be made by the parties to reduce the number of sick calls and provide coverage when they occur.

5. TERMINATION OR REDUCTION OF AWS

A. The Employer may terminate or reduce the AWS to a normal schedule upon sixty (60) days written notice to the Association and affected employees.

B. After the above-mentioned sixty day notice of intent is provided, a Labor-Management Committee meeting will be convened to discuss alternatives to the termination or reduction. At that meeting the Employer shall provide the Association with the rationale for the termination or reduction of AWS and will provide relevant information for review by the Committee. The HHC Director of Labor Relations, or his/her designee, will participate in the Labor-Management Committee meetings. At the conclusion of the sixty (60) day notice period, the final decision whether to terminate or reduce the AWS, or to modify the original notice of intent to terminate or reduce AWS, shall be made by the facility Executive Director or his/her designee. The sixty (60) day notice period may be extended to allow for further discussion upon the expressed written consent of the Employer to the Association.

C. Upon termination or reduction of the Alternate Work Schedule in a unit, Employees will volunteer to cover all three tours. In the existence of a conflict regarding an assignment to a tour, seniority will prevail.

6. TYPES OF AWS

A. Any schedules that the Employee and Employer may mutually agree to as an accommodation to an employee, other than those referred to below, shall not be construed to be an AWS and shall not fall within the scope of this agreement. Any AWS other than those listed below must be by mutual written agreement of the Association and the Employer.

B. Examples of alternative work schedules for full-time employees include, but are not limited to, the schedules listed below:

1. Three Day Work Week - Three (3) twelve and one-half (12 ½) hour tours in one week.

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2. Four Day Work Week - Four (4) ten (10) hour tours in one (1) week; three (3) ten (10) hour tours plus one (1) five (5) hour tour in the other week.
3. Four Week Tour - Three (3) eleven and one-half (11 ½) hour tours for three (3) weeks, plus three (3) eleven and one-half (11 ½) hour tours and one twelve (12) hour tour in the other week.
 - a.) While on this schedule, six (6) hours earned annual leave must be retained in the employee's leave bank.
 - b.) If during this four (4) week schedule and employee leaves after working a 3 day/3 day portion or a 3 day/ 3 day/ 3 day portion, the employee shall have deducted from her/his annual leave balance the number of hours for which the employee was paid but were not actually worked. If the annual leave balance is insufficient for this purpose, deduction for the balance owed will be deducted from the employee's paycheck.
 - c.) If during this four (4) week schedule an employee leaves after working a 3 day/4 day portion, the employee shall receive overtime for all hours worked beyond seventy-five (75) hours in a two (2) week period. Such payment shall be in accordance with Section 8B of this Agreement.
 - d.) If during the four (4) week schedule an employee leaves after working a 4 day portion, the employee shall receive overtime credit for all hours worked beyond 37.5 hours per week in accordance with the provisions of the 1995-2000 Citywide Agreement, Article IV, Section 2, or any successor agreement(s).
4. Two Week Tour - Three (3) thirteen (13) hours tours one week; three (3) twelve (12) hour tours in the other week.

- C. Part-time employees may work any of the alternative shifts provided they complete their normal bi-weekly schedule.
- D. All of the above schedules are exclusive of an unpaid one (1) hour meal period (see Section 7A below).

7. MEAL AND REST PERIODS

Meal and rest period(s) for employees on the AWS program:

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A. All employees will have an unpaid one (1) hour meal period during each tour of duty, except those employees working a five (5) or six (6) hour tour.

B. An employee working on an AWS tour of eleven (11) or more hours will receive two (2) fifteen minute rest periods per tour of duty. An employee working on an AWS tour between seven (7) and eleven (11) hours will receive at least one (1) twenty minute rest period per tour of duty. An employee working on a six (6) hour tour will receive one (1) twenty minute rest period per tour of duty.

C. The meal and/or rest period(s) can, by agreement, be scheduled and/or combined at any time or in any way, provided that no meal period or rest period(s) are scheduled in the first two (2) hours or the last two (2) hours of the tour.

8. OVERTIME

A. Except in an emergency situation pursuant to Article IV, Section 13 of the 1995-2000 Citywide Contract or its successors, and employee on an alternative work schedule shall not be required to work more than fifteen and one-half (15 ½) hours in a work day.

B. Overtime for full-time employees on the 3 day/4 day AWS shall be calculated on the basis of time worked beyond seventy-five (75) hours in a two week period. Ordered involuntary overtime which results in an employee working in excess of eighty (80) hours every two week period shall be compensated in cash at time and one-half (1 ½ x). For those employees whose normal work schedule is less than eighty (80) hours every two (2) weeks, any such ordered involuntary overtime worked between the maximum of those two work weeks and eighty (80) hours in those same calendar weeks, shall be compensated in cash at straight time.

C. Overtime for full-time employees on a 3 day/ 3 day/3 day/4 day AWS shall be calculated on the basis of time worked beyond one hundred fifty (150) hours in a four (4) week period. Ordered involuntary overtime which results in an employee working in excess of one hundred sixty (160) hours in a four (4) week period shall be compensated in cash at time and one-half (1 ½ x). For those employees whose normal work schedule is less than one hundred sixty (160) hours every four weeks, any such ordered involuntary overtime worked between the maximum of those four weeks and one hundred sixty (160) hours in those same calendar weeks, shall be compensated in cash at straight time.

9. SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL

A. An employee will be paid shift differential at an hourly rate determined by dividing the applicable evening or night shift differential by

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1957.5. The evening differential shall be paid for hours in pay status between 3:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.; night shift differential shall be paid for hours in pay status between 11:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.

B. An employee currently receiving full shift differential for working a unique schedule of which 50% of the hours fall within the normal evening tour hours and who works an AWS tour of which 50% of the hours fall within the hours of 3:00 p.m. -11:30 p.m. shall continue to receive the full shift differential.

10. RESPONSIBILITY PAY

A differential of \$.40 per hour shall be provided to each Staff Nurse who is assigned or exercises responsibility during the time 3:00 p.m. through 8:00 a.m. for one or more Staff Nurse, or for two (2) or more units.

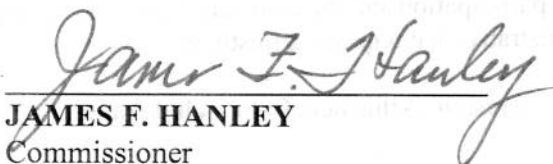
11. POSTING

Each institution will post approved alternate work schedule positions and provide a copy to the Union's hospital representative(s).

12. Employees and potential employees shall be provided with the provisions of Article VI of the 1995-2000 Citywide Contract, or its successors, which addressed time and leave variations for employees working other than the standard work week.

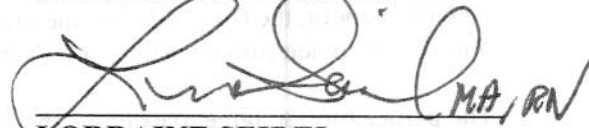
WHEREFORE, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this ^{27th} day of *June*, 2008.

FOR THE CITY OF NEW YORK



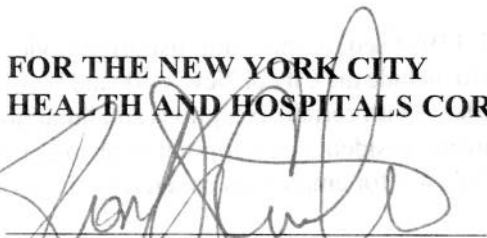
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**FOR THE NEW YORK STATE
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LORRAINE SEIDEL
Director, Economic and
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**FOR THE NEW YORK CITY
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Lorraine Seidel
Director, Economic and General Welfare Program
New York State Nurses Association
120 Wall St., 23rd floor
New York, NY 10005

Dear Ms. Seidel:

This is to confirm certain mutual understandings and agreements regarding the *2007-20010 Staff Nurse Agreement*.

Transit Check

The parties agree that the City will expand the current Transit Check program to offer to eligible employees the ability to purchase a Transit Debit Card through payroll deductions in accordance with IRC Section 132. In addition to the current MTA Surface and Subway lines, the Transit Debit Card may be used to purchase tickets for mass transit commutation only (i.e. LIRR, LI MTA Buses, MetroNorth). The administrative fee for this benefit will be borne by the participants and will be deducted on a prorated basis from the participating employee's paycheck. After one year of experience with this benefit, the City will examine the level of participation and the associated costs of providing this benefit to determine whether or not the administrative fee requires adjustment.

The parties further agree to examine the possible expansion of this benefit to include other regional mass transit carriers.

Residency

The parties agree to support an amendment to Section 12-119 et seq. of the Administrative Code for the purpose of expanding permissible limits on residency to include the City of New York and Nassau, Westchester, Suffolk, Orange, Rockland or Putnam counties – with certain exceptions and limitations and except as may be prohibited by any other law requiring residency for appointment to certain positions including, but not limited to, the Public Officers Law – for employees covered by the terms of this Agreement.

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Consistent with the above, Mayoral Directive 78-13, as amended July 26, 1978, and any other covered Employer's rules, regulations and/or operating procedures, shall be similarly modified to conform to the understanding of the parties.

Upon enactment of legislation to implement the provisions herein, employees shall be subject to Section 1127 of the New York City Charter.

Additional Compensation Funds

Effective on the last day of the unit agreement, the bargaining unit shall have available funds not to exceed 0.34% to purchase recurring benefits, mutually agreed to by the parties, other than to enhance the general wage increases set forth in Section 4 or the hiring rate for new employees set forth in Section 5. The funds available shall be based on the December 31, 2005 payroll, including spinoffs and pensions.

Labor Management Committee on Pension Issues

There shall be a joint Labor Management Committee on Pensions with the appropriate parties. The committee shall analyze the actual costs and additional contribution rate(s) for members of the New York City Employees' Retirement System (NYCERS) and the Board of Education Retirement System (BERS) associated with Chapter 96 of the Laws of 1995. Such analysis shall be based on, among other factors, the actual number of people who elected to participate under the provisions of said Chapter 96 of the Laws of 1995 as of September 26, 1995. The committee shall make recommendations regarding the establishment of revised additional contribution rate(s) and other remedies it deems appropriate so as to reflect the actual cost to members of NYCERS and BERS. Regardless of the comparison of actual costs to additional contributions for members of NYCERS and BERS, there shall be no adjustment to contributions under Chapter 96 without first considering the contributions by the employer to NYCERS and BERS on behalf of all employees, and the comparison of those contributions to actual costs.

The appropriate parties further agree to discuss the following issues:

- Chapter 96 Reopener
- Chapter 96 Escape
- Age and Vesting Requirements
- Member Contribution Amounts and Duration
- Benefit Formula Changes
- Service Credits
- Any other areas the parties mutually agree to

Continuation of Certain Health Benefits

The parties acknowledge that collective bargaining regarding health benefits is within the purview of negotiations between the Municipal Labor Committee and the City. Cost-containment initiatives in the City Health Benefits Program shall be discussed with the Municipal Labor Committee.

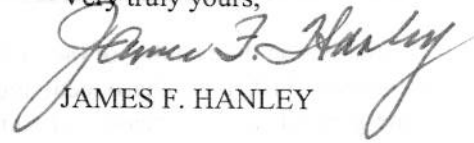
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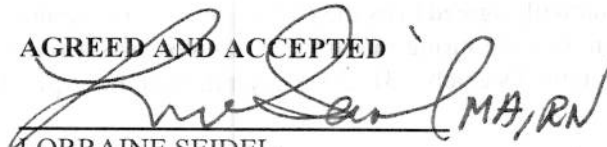
The Letter Agreement between the City of New York and District Council 37 regarding such criteria and procedures insofar as they relate to the City of New York's "Performance Compensation Procedures" shall apply {in lieu of the provisions in Article XVII ("Merit Increases"), Sections 1 and 2}.

If the above accords with your understanding, please execute the signature line provided below.

Very truly yours,


JAMES F. HANLEY

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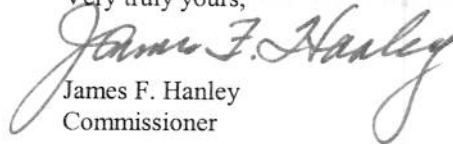
Dear Ms. Seidel:

The following is to confirm the meaning and understanding of the parties with respect to certain elements of the Letter of Agreement which the parties agreed to during the negotiations for the 2007-2010 Staff Nurse Agreement.

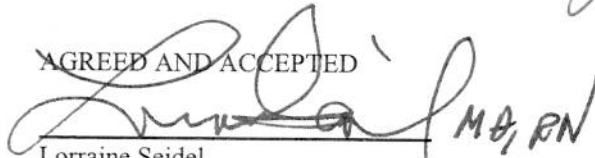
1. Residency
 The proposed modification of the Administrative Code regarding residency requirements does not impact on the residency requirements at the Health & Hospitals Corporation.
2. Pension Committee
 The Labor/Management Committee on Pension Issues provision in the Letter of Agreement does not imply any waiver by the parties of their rights to seek or to oppose legislation regarding pension benefits.
3. Performance Compensation Procedures
 The parties agree to hold a labor/management meeting with NYSNA prior to any implementation of the procedures, as outlined in the D.C. 37 letter referred to in this provision of the Letter of Agreement, for titles represented by the union.

If the above conforms to your understanding, please sign below.

Very truly yours,


 James F. Hanley
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Lorraine Seidel
 New York State Nurses Association

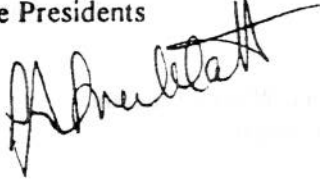
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Pamela S. Silverblatt
Senior Assistant Vice President
Human Resources & Workforce Development

TO: Network Senior Vice Presidents
Executive Directors

FROM: Pamela S. Silverblatt 

DATE: December 7, 1998

SUBJECT: Scheduling of Registered Professional Nurses on Weekends

This memorandum states the Corporation policy concerning the weekend scheduling of registered professional nurses represented by the New York State Nurses Association. "Weekend" is defined as the two-day period consisting of Saturday and Sunday. Registered professional nurses on units/services which are open on Saturday and/or Sunday shall be entitled to at least 26 weekends off per year. In implementing this policy, no changes shall be made in existing work schedules, except to the extent necessary to comply with the requirements of this policy. Notwithstanding the above, exceptions may be made where strict adherence to this policy would compromise patient care.

cc: Luis R. Marcos, M.D.
Frank Cirillo
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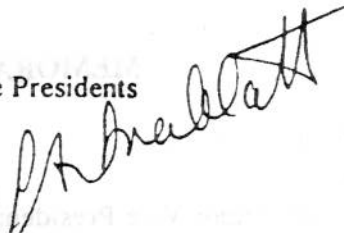
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Pamela S. Silverblatt
Senior Assistant Vice President
Human Resources & Workforce Development

TO: Network Senior Vice Presidents
Executive Directors

FROM: Pamela S. Silverblatt 

DATE: December 7, 1998

SUBJECT: Floating Assignments for Nurses

This memorandum states the Corporation policy concerning "floating" assignments for registered professional nurses represented by the New York State Nurses Association. The guidelines for these assignments are:

- 1) Floating shall not be used to cover vacancies whose existence can be identified in advance, e.g. scheduled vacations, long-term sick leave, workers compensation, etc., it shall only be used to cover unexpected vacancies which arise on a particular tour in a unit or service.
- 2) When registered professional nurses represented by NYSNA are assigned to float, it shall be between units within their assigned service or related service, or to units on a service where they have worked or have had orientation.
- 3) Floating assignments shall be distributed equitably among the registered professional nurse staff.
- 4) Floating assignments shall be made at the beginning of a tour of duty. To that end, nurses who are going to be unexpectedly absent must call in a minimum of two hours prior to the start of the tour of duty. It is the responsibility of the Director of Nursing or the Director's designee to arrange for staff coverage prior to the commencement of the tour.
- 5) Notwithstanding the above, when, in the judgment of the Director of Nursing or the Director's designee, adherence to this policy would compromise the delivery of patient care, floating assignments will be made as required.

cc: Luis R. Marcos, M.D.
Frank Cirillo
William Herrmann

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Donna Lynne
Senior Vice President
Corporate Affairs

MEMORANDUM

December 2, 1997

To: Network Senior Vice Presidents
Executive Directors

From: Donna Lynne 

Subject: Shift Rotation - Registered Professional Nurses

This memorandum establishes a revised Corporate policy on shift rotation for registered professional nurses. This policy will commence immediately and employees shall be given at least three months advance notice of their rotation schedule.

Shift rotations shall be scheduled for no less than one month at a time. Employees with seven or more years of service as a registered professional nurse with the Corporation and/or mayoral agencies, or who regularly work the evening or night tour, shall not be required to rotate. Employees with less than seven years of service shall not be required to rotate more than three months in any year unless the employee submits a written request for additional rotation to the Director of Nursing.

In implementing this policy, no changes shall be made in existing work schedules except to the extent necessary to comply with the requirements of this policy.

Where this policy limits a facility's ability to provide shift coverage due to a lack of personnel with less than seven years of service, the facility shall initiate a Labor/Management meeting with the NYSNA to discuss alternatives, including, but not limited to, hiring for tour and rotation of employees with more than seven years of service.

Notwithstanding the above, any employee may be required to rotate in an emergency situation.

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