LSU HEALTH CARE SERVICES DIVISION BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

POLICY NUMBER: 4553-21

CATEGORY: Human Resources

CONTENT: Conversion to Unclassified Monthly Position from

Classified position.

APPLICABILITY: This policy applies to permanent classified employees

with the Health Care Services Division Administration (HCSDA) and Lallie Kemp Medical Center (LKMC) who

convert to regular unclassified monthly positions.

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LSU Health Care Services Division Policy for Conversion to Unclassified Monthly Position from Classified Position

I. Statement of Policy

It is the policy of the LSU Health Care Services Division (HCSD) to compensate eligible classified employees who convert to regular unclassified monthly positions. HCSD recognizes the importance of the implications of the classified service but also desires to enhance the Division's role within the LSU system by the conversion of eligible positions to unclassified monthly positions.

For purposes of this policy, regular, unclassified monthly positions are those jobs eligible for leave accrual, benefits, etc.

Note: Any reference herein to Health Care Services Division (HCSD) also applies and pertains to Lallie Kemp Medical Center (LKMC).

II. <u>Implementation</u>

This policy and any subsequent revisions shall become effective upon approval date and signature of the HCSD Chief Operations Officer.

III. <u>Procedures</u>

A. Classified jobs/employees:

- 1. Some positions currently established in the classified service by the Department of State Civil Service, are considered eligible for unclassified status as granted to LSU by the Louisiana State Constitution.
- 2. A classified employee occupying such a position shall not be forced into the monthly, unclassified position. However, upon separation of the classified employee, the classified position shall be abolished and established as a monthly, unclassified position, with approval of HCSD Human Resources Administration.

B. Calculation of Pay upon Conversion to Monthly Unclassified

Pay will be recommended and calculated using the guidelines listed below.

- 1. Employees may be given up to 10% adjustment in conversion pay upon written justification for the adjustment and approval of the HCSD Chief Operations Officer.
- 2. The conversion pay rate may be calculated as outlined below.
 - a. Total base pay prior to conversion includes the base rate plus premium pay, shift differentials, or other special pay amounts paid in the last 12 months prior to proposed effective date of conversion. Regular overtime pay may also be considered in the calculation of total base pay (see Note below).

NOTE: Disaster pay, special premium pay, and/or overtime paid as a result of a disaster, pandemic, or special assignment will not be counted in the calculation of base pay.

b. Total base pay rate as calculated in a) above, plus approved conversion percentage equals conversion pay rate.

C. Approval

All conversion requests must be approved by the HCSD Chief Operations Officer.

D. Effective Date

The effective date of the conversion will be the first of the month following the date approved by the HCSD Chief Operations Officer or other future date.

IV. <u>Responsibilities</u>

A. Human Resources Administration

- 1. To make the final determination as to whether or not a classified position is eligible for conversion to unclassified monthly status.
- 2. To establish position descriptions and maintain appropriate records of all positions with HCSD unclassified monthly status.
- 3. To make recommendations for approval of salary conversion to the HCSD Chief Operations Officer.

B. Lallie Kemp Medical Center Human Resources

- 1. To propose job duties, salary range and provide proposed positions descriptions for positions to be converted to unclassified monthly status. These shall be submitted to HCSD Human Resources Administration for approval by the HCSD Chief Operations Officer.
- 2. To provide the candidate's resume, written justification, and proposed salary adjustment along with accurate salary data for proposed conversions to unclassified monthly status based on calculations described above.

V. <u>Exceptions</u>

Exceptions to this policy require the prior approval of the HCSD Chief Operations Officer.

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