## DISCLOSURE OF APPEARANCE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST AS REQUIRED BY G. L.C.268A • 23(b)(3)

I make this disclosure pursuant to G.L.c.268 A, • 23 (b)(3) in order to dispel any appearance of potential conflict of interest occasioned by the facts set out below, that I may be improperly or unduly influenced in the perfurbance of my official duties, or that I would be likely to act or fail to act as a result of kinship rank position or the undue influence of any part or person.

Name:	Robert L. Pura
Title or Position:	President
Agency/Department:	Greenfield Community College
Agency address:	One College Drive Greenfield, MA 01301
Office Phone:	(413) 775-1410
I publicly disclose	1 As Described of Co., C. 11 C.
the following facts	Trustees to serve on local business and organization Boards as a representative of the College
(Attach additional	2. I have been asked by Baystate Health in Springfield, Massachusetts, to serve as a member of its Board of Directors, effective January 2013.
pages if necessary):	3. I have informed the Chairman of the College's Board of Trustees of this opportunity and pending the Commission's decision I will seek the approval of the entire Board of Trustees for this
	appointment.  4. Baystate Health is the parent corporation of an integrated health care system that includes: Baystate Medical Center; Baystate Mary Lane Hospital; Baystate Franklin Medical Center Outpatient facilities and programs: Home care and hospice services; Baystate Medical Practices - employed primary and specialty care provider group with multiple sites; Multi-specialty academic group practices, Administrative and support services. In addition, Baystate Health holds a majority interest in Health New England, a for-profit health maintenance organization.  5. Neither Baystate Health, nor its affiliate hospitals, maintains a financial interest in the College.
	6. No immediate family member is employed at Baystate Health or works for a business organization that has a financial interest in Baystate Health.  7. As a Board Member of Baystate Health, I would receive an iPad to use for Board business and communication.  8. As a Board Member of Baystate Health, I would be required to attend annual meetings of the Board, held nationally and internationally. On those occasions, my travel, meals and accommodation expenses would be paid for by Baystate Health. Baystate Health may also extend an invitation to my wife to accompany me to these Board meetings.  9. As a Board Member of Baystate Health, I would receive no compensation.
Signature:	/ 1/11 /
Date:	10-1-201/2

G.L.c.268 A, •23 (b)(3): No current officer or employee of a state, county or municipal agency shall knowingly, or with reason to know... act in a manner which would cause a reasonable person, having knowledge of the relevant circumstances, to conclude that any person can improperly influence or unduly enjoy his favor in the performance of his official duties, or that he is likely to act or fail to act as a result of kinship, rank, position or undue influence of any party or person. It shall be unreasonable to so conclude if such officer or employee has disclosed in writing to his appointing authority or, if no appointing authority exists, discloses in a manner which is public in nature, the facts which would otherwise lead to such a conclusion.

Appointed state, county and municipal officials and employeesshould file with their appointing authority.

Elected state officials should file with the appropriate House or Senate Clerk or the Ethics Commission.

Elected county officials should file with the county clerk.

Elected municipal officials should file with the city or town clerk.

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## Office of the President

Oct. 1, 2012

State Ethics Commission Legal Division, Room 619 One Ashburton Place Boston, MA 02108

## Dear Ethics Commission:

I serve as the President of Greenfield Community College. I have held this position for 12 years. As Greenfield Community College is a public institution of higher education, I am obligated as a state employee to comply with the ethics laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Accordingly, I seek a written opinion from the State Ethics Commission regarding a potential conflict of interest. I make this disclosure and seek this opinion in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 268A, Section 23. The basic facts of the potential conflict are as follows:

- 1. As President of Greenfield Community College, I have been authorized by the College's Board of Trustees to serve on local business and organization Boards as a representative of the College.
- 2. I have been asked by Baystate Health in Springfield, Massachusetts, to serve as a member of its Board of Directors, effective January 2013.
- 3. I have informed the Chairman of the College's Board of Trustees of this opportunity and pending the Commission's decision I will seek the approval of the entire Board of Trustees for this appointment.
- 4. Baystate Health is the parent corporation of an integrated health care system that includes:
  - Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, MA = an academic medical center
  - Baystate Mary Lane Hospital in Ware, MA
  - Baystate Franklin Medical Center in Greenfield, MA

Outpatient facilities and programs:

- Home care and hospice services
- Baystate Medical Practices employed primary and specialty care provider group with multiple sites
- Multi-specialty academic group practices
- Administrative and support services

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- 8. As a Board Member of Baystate Health, I would be required to attend annual meetings of the Board, held nationally and internationally. On those occasions, my travel, meals and accommodation expenses would be paid for by Baystate Health. Baystate Health may also extend an invitation to my wife to accompany me to these Board meetings.
- 9. As a Board Member of Baystate Health, I would receive no compensation.

Accordingly, I am requesting the Commission to issue a written opinion as to whether my concurrent service as President of Greenfield Community College and as a Board Member of Baystate Health is permissible pursuant to Chapter 268A. If not, please advise what process is recommended to address any conflict or potential conflict that exists. I have prepared and filed with this letter a Section 23 Disclosure Form and have filed the same with my appointing authority. I appreciate the Commission's consideration of this request and please do not hesitate to contact me at my office at 413-775-1412 or via email: <a href="mailto:pura@gcc.mass.edu">pura@gcc.mass.edu</a> if you require additional information.

Sincerely

Robert L. Pura, Ph.D.

President

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Robert S. Cohn, Chairman, Board of Trustees