



National University System Acquires WestMed College as Newest Affiliate

RITTENHOUSE CAPITAL served as advisor to WestMed

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La Jolla, Calif. – National University has acquired WestMed College as the newest affiliate of the National University System, **Dr. Jerry C. Lee**, Chancellor of the National University System and President of National University, announced today.

Based in San Jose, California, WestMed provides career training for licensed vocational nurses, paramedics and emergency medical technicians, nursing assistants, and early childhood educators.

"National University and the affiliates of the National University System share a common mission with WestMed College; offering a diverse student population access to quality programs designed to help them reach their educational and career goals," said Dr. Lee. "The addition of WestMed College as the newest affiliate of the System will serve to diversify the academic programs and broaden the student population of the National University System."

As a result of the acquisition, **Mr. Troy Roland** has been named President of WestMed College. Previously, Mr. Roland served as President of the California Medical Institute (CMI), an affiliate of the National University System. CMI will now be dissolved and its programs will be absorbed by WestMed.

WestMed is an independent institution of higher education approved by the Bureau of Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education and is accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges of Technology (ACCSCCT).

Additionally, WestMed's paramedic program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP). WestMed's two campuses are in northern California, including one in San Jose and another in Atwater, Merced County. **Rittenhouse Capital Partners LLC** was advisor to the seller.

For more information about the National University System, contact **David Neville** at (858) 642-8163, via email at dneville@nu.edu, or visit www.nu.edu.

About the National University System

The National University System was established in 2001 to meet the emerging challenges and demands of education in the 21st century. The System is uniquely aligned to connect a diverse population of students to a network of innovative educational programs that are relevant to their lives, careers, and the marketplace and are delivered in a format that respects competing life priorities. In addition to WestMed College, the National University System includes National University, National Polytechnic College of Engineering and Oceanering, Spectrum Pacific Learning Company LLC, National University Virtual High School, and National University International. The System is headquartered in La Jolla, California.

About WestMed College

WestMed College offers education and training for jobs and careers that are in high demand. WestMed is a team enterprise comprised of students, office staff, instructors, directors, and training partners in the

community -- all working together to provide quality, affordable training and education. WestMed College strives to accommodate working students by offering convenient schedules so that continuing education remains manageable and enjoyable. Through classroom and independent instruction, WestMed College provides motivated students with the learning tools necessary to obtain their educational and career goals. WestMed's non-degree programs course offerings include: licensed vocational nursing; paramedics and emergency medical technicians; nursing assistants; and early childhood education. WestMed is headquartered in San Jose, California.

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