

**SIERRA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'  
AGENDA TRANSMITTAL & RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

<b>MEETING DATE:</b> 1/20/2026 <b>DEPARTMENT:</b> Behavioral Health <b>PHONE NUMBER:</b> 530-993-6717 <b>REQUESTED BY:</b> Sheryll Prinz-McMillan	<b>TYPE OF AGENDA ITEM:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGULAR <input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT <input type="checkbox"/> TIMED <b>SUPPORTIVE DOCUMENT ATTACHED:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> RESOLUTION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MEMO <input type="checkbox"/> AGREEMENT    OTHER _____
<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b> Authorization to pay an outstanding invoice to Wellspace Hospital in the amount of \$9,554.54 for client services rendered from March through April 2025.	
<b>BACKGROUND INFORMATION:</b> See attached memo	
<b>FUNDING SOURCE:</b> 8150000 <b>GENERAL FUND IMPACT:</b> NO ADDITIONAL	<b>OTHER FUND:</b> <b>AMOUNT:</b> \$9,554.54    N/A
<b>ARE ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL REQUIRED?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <b>TYPE OF EMPLOYEE:</b> NONE	<b>IS THIS ITEM ALLOCATED IN THE BUDGET?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <b>IS A BUDGET TRANSFER REQUIRED?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
<b>SPACE BELOW FOR CLERK'S USE</b>	
<b>BOARD ACTION:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> APPROVED <input type="checkbox"/> APPROVED AS AMENDED <input type="checkbox"/> ADOPTED <input type="checkbox"/> ADOPTED AS AMENDED <input type="checkbox"/> DENIED <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <input type="checkbox"/> NO ACTION TAKEN	<b>SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR:</b> _____ <b>DIRECTION TO:</b> _____ <b>REFERRED TO:</b> _____ <b>CONTINUED TO:</b> _____ <b>AUTHORIZATION GIVEN TO:</b> _____
<b>BOARD VOTE:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> BY CONSENSUS AYES: ABSTAIN: NOES: ABSENT:	RESOLUTION 2026-_____ AGREEMENT 2026-_____ ORDINANCE _____
<b>COMMENTS:</b>    	

_____ CLERK OF THE BOARD	01/20/2026 DATE
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# Memorandum

**To:** Sierra County Board of Supervisors

**From:** Sheryll Prinz-McMillan, Behavioral Health Director

**Reference:** Agenda Item

**Date of Memo:** December 19, 2024

**Date of Board Meeting:** January 7, 2025

**Requested Action:** Authorization to pay an outstanding invoice to Wellspace Hospital in the amount of \$9,554.54 for client services rendered from March through April 2025.

**Mandated by:** N/A

## Funding

**Budgeted?** Yes  No

<b>Revenue</b>	\$ 9,554.54	<b>8150000 Realignment Funds SUD</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	\$ 9,554.54	
<b>Difference</b>	0	

## Background Information:

In March and April 2025, a Behavioral Health substance abuse client was admitted to Wellspace Hospital. At the time, Behavioral Health had active agreements with Wellspace. However, billing for this client was sent to an outdated county email address, and staff did not receive the invoice until it was significantly past due. The services are covered under contract 2024-106 for the 2024/2025 fiscal year, but payment will be made in the 2025/2026 fiscal year. In collaboration with the Auditor's Department, it was determined that Board approval is required for these invoices. Behavioral Health has sufficient funds in the Realignment SUD account.

**The invoice is not attached to this item due to confidentiality.**

**Alternatives or impacts of disapproval:** Sierra County will go into collections for the services and a long-term partnership will be dissolved creating access challenges.

**AGREEMENT FOR  
PROFESSIONAL  
SERVICES**

THIS AGREEMENT for Professional Services ("Agreement") is made as of the Agreement Date set forth below by and between the County of Sierra, a political subdivision of the State of California ("the COUNTY"), and

WELLSPACE HEALTH  
"CONTRACTOR"

In consideration of the services to be rendered, the sums to be paid, and each and every covenant and condition contained herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

**OPERATIVE PROVISIONS**

**1. SERVICES.**

The CONTRACTOR shall provide those services described in Attachment "A", Provision A-1. CONTRACTOR shall provide said services at the time, place and in the manner specified in Attachment "A", Provisions A-2 through A-3.

**2. TERM.**

Commencement Date: July 1, 2024

Termination Date: June 30, 2025

**3. PAYMENT.**

COUNTY shall pay CONTRACTOR for services rendered pursuant to this Agreement at the time and in the amount set forth in Attachment "B". The payment specified in Attachment "B" shall be the only payment made to CONTRACTOR for services rendered pursuant to this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall submit all billings for said services to COUNTY in the manner specified in Attachment "B".

**4. FACILITIES, EQUIPMENT AND OTHER MATERIALS AND OBLIGATIONS OF COUNTY.**

CONTRACTOR shall, at its sole cost and expense, furnish all facilities, equipment, and other materials which may be required for furnishing services pursuant to this Agreement, except as provided in this paragraph. COUNTY shall furnish CONTRACTOR only those facilities, equipment, and other materials and shall perform those obligations listed in Attachment "A.4".

**5. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS.**

Those additional provisions unique to this Agreement are set forth in Attachment "C".

**6. GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

The general provisions set forth in Attachment "D" are part of this Agreement. Any inconsistency between said general provisions and any other terms or conditions of this Agreement shall be controlled by the other terms or conditions insofar as the latter are inconsistent with the general provisions. The HIPAA Business Associates Agreement, Attachment F is incorporated by this reference.

**7. DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES.**

The Behavioral Health Clinical Director of Sierra County Human Services or Designee is the designated representative of the COUNTY and will administer this Agreement for the COUNTY. A. Jonathan Porteus, PhD, Chief Executive Officer, is the authorized representative for CONTRACTOR. Changes in designated representatives shall occur only by advance written notice to the other party.

**8. ATTACHMENTS.**

All attachments referred to herein are attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein. Attachments include:

- Attachment A - Services
- Attachment B - Payment
- Attachment C - Additional Provisions
- Attachment C-1 Additional Provisions SUBG
- Attachment C-2 Additional Provisions DHCS DMC
- Attachment D - General Provisions
- Attachment E - Form of Invoice
- Attachment F - Business Associate Agreement
- Attachment G - Special Terms and Conditions

**9. AGREEMENT DATE.** The Agreement Date is July 1, 2024 as approved by the Sierra County Board of Supervisors.

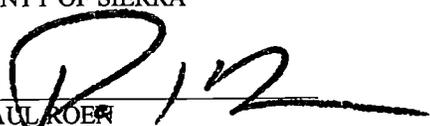
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the day here first above written.

"COUNTY"

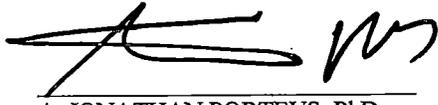
"CONTRACTOR"

COUNTY OF SIERRA

By

  
PAUL ROEM

Chair, Board of Supervisors

  
A. JONATHAN PORTEUS, PhD  
Chief Executive Officer

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
HEATHER FOSTER  
Clerk of the Board

  
RHETTA VANDER PLOG  
County Counsel

## ATTACHMENT A

### A.1 SCOPE OF SERVICES AND DUTIES.

The services to be provided by CONTRACTOR and the scope of CONTRACTOR's duties include the following:

**CONTRACTOR** shall provide Clinically Managed Low-Intensity Residential Services (ASAM 3.1) to certain county residents who have been determined by authorized Sierra County Behavioral Health staff, to be in need of treatment of chemical dependency. Such services shall be provided in accordance with the Program Guidelines prepared by the California Department of Health Care Services.

Clinically Managed Low-Intensity Residential Service are defined for the purpose of this contract as a residential facility that provides 24 hour structure with trained personnel with at least 5 hours of clinical service a week and prepare for outpatient treatment. This residential facility provides food, shelter and certain services in a supportive non-drinking or substance using environment for the recovering individual.

The services include but are not limited to:

1. Room and board
2. Group sessions oriented towards addressing issues with substance use disorder.
3. Individual counseling and care coordination.
4. Liaison on behalf of client in utilizing county and private services
5. Other program services in agreement with the purposes and standards as set forth by the California Department of Health Care Services Program Guidelines
6. Administrative services as required by the same State Guidelines

**CONTRACTOR** shall provide Clinically Managed High-Intensity Residential Services (ASAM 3.5) to certain county residents who have been determined by authorized Sierra County Behavioral Health staff, to be in need of treatment of chemical dependency. Such services shall be provided in accordance with the Program Guidelines prepared by the California Department of Health Care Services.

Clinically Managed High-Intensity Residential Service are defined for the purpose of this contract as a residential facility that provides 24 hour care with trained counselors to stabilize multi-dimensional imminent danger and prepare for outpatient treatment. This residential facility provides food, shelter and certain services in a supportive non-drinking or substance using environment for the recovering individual.

The services include but are not limited to:

1. Room and board
2. Group sessions oriented towards addressing issues with substance use disorder.
3. Individual counseling and care coordination.
4. Liaison on behalf of client in utilizing county and private services
5. Other program services in agreement with the purposes and standards as set forth by the California Department of Health Care Services Program Guidelines
6. Administrative services as required by the same State Guidelines

**CONTRACTOR** shall provide Clinically Managed Residential Withdrawal Management Services (ASAM 3.2) who have been determined by authorized Sierra County Behavioral Health staff to be in need of treatment of chemical dependency. Such services shall be provided in accordance with the Program Guidelines prepared by the California Department of Health Care Services Programs.

Clinically Managed Residential Withdrawal Management services are defined for the purpose of this contract as moderate withdrawal but needs 24-hour support to complete withdrawal management and increase likelihood of continuing treatment or recovery. This residential facility provides food, shelter and certain services in a supportive non-drinking or substance using environment for the recovering individual

The services include but are not limited to:

1. Individual counseling oriented towards addressing issues with substance use disorder.
2. Individual counseling and care coordination.
3. Liaison on behalf of client in utilizing county and private services
4. Other program services in agreement with the purposes and standards as set forth by the California Department of Health Care Services Program Guidelines
5. Administrative services as required by the same State Guidelines

It is understood that the COUNTY of Sierra Substance Use Disorder Programs will pay for services provided to persons who have been screened, evaluated and for whom a treatment plan has been developed, in accordance with this Agreement. It is further understood that the COUNTY will reimburse CONTRACTOR for medical treatment and/or prescriptions for those clients who are indigent and ineligible for Medi-Cal only with written prior authorization by the Behavioral Health Director or designated assistant.

CONTRACTOR shall implement a process improvement project as outlined in the Network Improvement of Addiction Treatment (NIATx) model, targeting at least one of the following four NIATx aims:

- Reduced waiting times
- Reduced no-shows
- Increased admissions
- Increased continuation in treatment

**CLIENT RECORDS:**

Contractor shall maintain adequate records on each individual client which shall include a record of services provided by the various professional personnel in sufficient detail to make possible an evaluation of services, and contain all data necessary in reporting to the California Department of Health Care Services Programs, including records of client's interviews and progress notes. All records shall be retained by Contractor for ten (10) years or one (1) year beyond the client's reaching majority. These records will be maintained in the strictest confidence in accordance with Division 10.5 Section 11812 of the Health and Safety Code and W&I Code, Section 14124.1. County shall have access to Contractor client records at all times.

Contractor shall maintain complete financial records that clearly reflect the cost of each type of service for which payment is claimed. Any apportionment of costs shall be made in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and shall evidence proper audit trails reflecting the true cost of services rendered. The Contractor will retain all financial records for at least ten (10) years. County shall have access to these records.

The California Department of Health Care Services Programs, the Behavioral Health Department within the County and/or their appropriate audit agencies shall have the right to inspect or otherwise evaluate the quality, appropriateness and timeliness of services performed and inspect any books and/or records of the Contractor which pertain to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

**A.2. TIME SERVICES RENDERED.**

During the Contract period.

**A.3. MANNER SERVICES ARE TO BE PERFORMED.**

As an independent contractor, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for providing services and fulfilling obligations hereunder in a professional manner. COUNTY shall not control the manner of performance.

**A.4. FACILITIES FURNISHED BY COUNTY.**

None

**ATTACHMENT B  
 PAYMENT**

COUNTY shall pay CONTRACTOR as follows:

**B.1 BASE CONTRACT FEE.**

Residential Services

Residential Level 3.1 (Daily Rate)	\$214.50
Residential Level 3.5 (Daily Rate)	\$258.50
Withdrawal Management Level 3.2 (Daily Rate)	\$302.50
Care Coordination (15 Minute Rate)	\$48.90

CONTRACTOR shall submit requests for payment after completion of services or no later than the tenth (10th) day of the month following provision of services. Request for payment shall be substantially in the form of the invoice attached hereto as Attachment E. Payment shall be made within sixty (60) days after the Invoice is approved by the County Contract Administrator. In no event shall total compensation paid to CONTRACTOR under this Provision B.1 exceed \$60,000.00 without an amendment to this Agreement approved by the Sierra County Board of Supervisors.

**B.2 MILEAGE.** N/A

**B.3 TRAVEL COSTS.** N/A

**B.4 AUTHORIZATION REQUIRED.** Services performed by CONTRACTOR and not authorized in this Agreement shall not be paid for by COUNTY. Payment for additional services shall be made to CONTRACTOR by COUNTY if, and only if, this Agreement is amended in writing by both parties in advance of performing additional services.

**B.5 SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES.** Additional costs may be incurred up to a maximum of \$500 with approval of the Director of Sierra County Human Services or his/her designee for this agreement.

**B.6 MAXIMUM CONTRACT AMOUNT.** The maximum amount payable to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement shall not exceed the following:

B.1	Base Contract Fee	\$60,000.00
B.2	Mileage	N/A
B.3	Travel Costs	N/A
B.4	Authorization Required	N/A
B.5	Special Circumstances	\$500.00
	<b>MAXIMUM CONTRACT AMOUNT</b>	<b>\$60,500.00</b>

**1. Compensation.**

a. Prior to commencement of services, Contractor shall provide a valid, current taxpayer ID number to Sierra County Auditor/Controller at (530) 289-3273. County shall pay to Contractor as compensation in full for all services performed by Contractor pursuant to this Contract.

**2. Billing.**

Contractor shall bill County for services provided under this Contract as follows: For all services in a calendar month, Contractor shall invoice County by the 10th day of the following calendar month.

**3. Documentation.**

Contractor shall provide, documentation pertaining to client services provided during the month in the form of a monthly progress report sent to the County on the first of each month. The report shall highlight client scheduled attendance, level of participation, treatment plan or updates and continuum/transition plan. When continuing services or extensions are determined medically necessary by a physician based on section 51303, (past 90 days for

residential or 6 months for outpatient) the contractor shall send a written request for extension with updated treatment plan and goals during the extension and a medical necessity form from the physician staffing the identified need.

**4. Payments.**

- a. County shall, within sixty (60) days following receipt of a correct monthly invoice meeting all criteria in this Contract, pay the undisputed charges on the invoice. If there are any disputed charges on the invoice, County shall include the explanation of the nature of the dispute with the payment for the undisputed charges and will provide Contractor with a Notice of Adverse Beneficiary Determination, if applicable. The parties shall exchange any information needed to resolve the dispute within a reasonable time.

**5. Audit Risk.**

- a. In the case that Contractor-provided services are billed by the County to Medi-Cal, Contractor agrees to accept risk for Medi-Cal exceptions related to deficiencies in documentation or any other areas of responsibility to County to the extent allowed by law. Contractor further agrees to be responsible for reimbursing County any revenues to be paid to the State or Federal government, including but not limited to exceptions resulting from Medi-Cal audit, or as identified through utilization review and medical review by insurance carriers or other auditors. Said reimbursements shall include all lost revenues, damages of any kind, costs and attorney fees incurred by the County, and other charges assessed against the County to the full extent allowed by law.
- b. Furthermore, as per County Provider Problem Resolution & Appeal Processes (Outpatient), County shall provide Contractor a process for appealing or disputing Medi-Cal exceptions or deficiencies demonstrated specifically attributable to Contractor by the County. Reimbursement to the County by Contractor shall not be required until the completion of the appeal or dispute resolution process.

**6. County may deduct any such funds from other payments to Contractor if County includes a description of the basis for the deduction with its payment. Withholding Payment.**

- a. In addition to withholding payment due to disputed charges on a Drug Medi-Cal Monthly Summary Invoice, County shall have the right to withhold payment to Contractor under the following conditions:
  - 1) Contractor has not documented or has not sufficiently documented Contractor's services according to client records standards of the industry and any special requirements needed by third party payors or federal or state funding agencies.
  - 2) Contractor has failed or refused to furnish information or cooperate with any inspection, review or audit of Contractor's program or County's use of Contractor's program. This includes interviews and/or reviews of records in any form of information storage.
  - 3) Contractor has failed to sufficiently itemize or document the itemized Drug Medi-Cal Monthly Summary Invoice.
  - 4) When, in the opinion of the County and expressed by the County to Contractor in writing, the Contractor's performance, in whole or in part, has not been sufficiently documented.

**ATTACHMENT C**  
**ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS**

The treatment facility shall have the capability of entering treatment data pertaining to treatment provided to Sierra County residents at the facility into the State of California Department of Health Care Services Programs (DHCS) treatment data system. The treatment facility will enter all data pertaining to the client(s) treatment episode(s) into the CalOMS State of California Department of Health Care Services Programs (DHCS) treatment data system, in accordance with state requirements.

The treatment facility shall submit a Drug and Alcohol Treatment Access Report (DATAR) report by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month following the report activity month in an electronic copy format as provided by DHCS. Contractor must report to [DHCSPerinatal@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:DHCSPerinatal@dhcs.ca.gov) when they reach or exceed 90 percent of their dedicated capacity within seven days of reaching capacity.

Contractor shall: (i) establish written policies and procedures consistent with the control requirements set forth below; (ii) monitor for compliance with the written procedures; and (iii) be accountable for audit exceptions taken by DHCS for any failure to comply with these requirements:

- a. HSC Division 10.5, Part 2 commencing with Section 11760, State Government's Role to Alleviate Problems Related to the Inappropriate Use of Alcoholic Beverages and Other Drug Use.
- b. HSC Division 10.5, Part 2, Chapter 7.1 Certification of Alcohol and Other Drug Programs commencing with Section 11832.
- c. CCR, Title 9, Division 4, commencing with Chapter 1 (herein referred to as Title 9).
- d. Government Code (GC), Title 2, Division 4, Part 2, Chapter 2, Article 1.7, Federal Block Grant Funds.
- e. GC, Title 5, Division 2, Part 1, Chapter 1, Article 7, Federally Mandated Audits of Block Grant Funds Allocated to Local Agencies, commencing with Section 53130.
- f. United State Code (USC), Title 42, Chapter 6A, Subchapter XVII, Part B, Subpart ii, commencing with Section 300x-21, Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Use.
- g. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 45, Part 75, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.
- h. Title 5, CFR Part 96, Block Grants.
- i. Title 42, CFR Part 2, Confidentiality of Substance Use Disorder Patient Records.
- j. Title 42, CFR, Part 8, Medication Assisted Treatment for Opioid Use Disorders.
- k. CFR, Title 21, Chapter II, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice.
- l. State Administration Manual (SAM), Chapter 7200, General Outline of Procedures.

Contractors that provide outpatient SUD treatment services shall obtain Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) Program Certification by January 1, 2025 through DHCS' Licensing and Certification Division. This new requirement has been set forth in accordance with a recent update to Cal. Health & Safety Code § 11832 for all outpatient SUD treatment programs that provide SUD treatment services.

Contractors shall comply with the AOD Program Certification Standards for all outpatient Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment programs. Alcohol and other Drug Program Certification Standards

**Americans with Disabilities Act**

Contractor agrees to ensure that deliverables developed and produced, pursuant to this agreement shall comply with the accessibility requirements of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1973 as

amended (29 U.S.C. §794 (d), and regulations implementing that as set forth in Part 1194 of Title 36 of the Federal Code of Regulations. In 1998, Congress amended the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to require Federal agencies to make their electronic and information technology (EIT) accessible to people with disabilities. California Government Code section 11135 codifies section 508 of the Act requiring accessibility of electronic and information technology.

**Restriction on Salaries**

CONTRACTOR agrees that no part of any federal funds provided under this Contract shall be used by the CONTRACTOR to pay the salary and wages of an individual at a rate in excess of Level II of the Executive Schedule, as found online at: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/salcap\\_summary.htm](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/salcap_summary.htm)

CONTRACTOR's SUD Medical Director shall receive 5 hours of continuing medical education in addiction medicine annually in accordance with 22 CCR § 51341.1 (b) (28) (A) (iii).

**42 CFR 54 – Charitable Choice regulations applicable to States receiving Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grants and/or Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness Grants 54.1 - 54.13**

**54.9 Assurances and State oversight of the Charitable Choice requirements**

In order to ensure that States receiving grant funding under the SAPT block grant and PATH formula grant programs comply with the SAMHSA Charitable Choice provisions and provide oversight of religious organizations that provide substance abuse services under such programs, States are required as part of their applications for funding to certify that they will comply with all of the requirements of such provisions and the implementing regulations under this part, and that they will provide such oversight of religious organizations.

**54.12 Treatment of intermediate organizations.**

If a nongovernmental organization (referred to here as an “intermediate organization”), acting under a contract or other agreement with the Federal Government or a State or local government, is given the authority under the contract or agreement to select nongovernmental organizations to provide services under any applicable program, the intermediate organization shall have the same duties under this part as the government. The intermediate organization retains all other rights of a nongovernmental organization under this part and the SAMHSA Charitable Choice provisions.

**Federal and State Regulations**

When a request for Covered Services is made by an eligible beneficiary, Contractor shall initiate services with reasonable promptness. Contractor shall have a documented system for monitoring and evaluating accessibility of care, including a system for addressing problems that develop regarding wait times and appointments.

Contractor shall comply with all terms and conditions of this Contract and all pertinent state and federal laws and regulations.

**Services Sites**

1. Contractor shall obtain and maintain DMC certification of the site(s) at which services are provided or may be provided as required by the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS).
2. Contractor site(s) where DMC services are provided must be certified in accordance with Drug Medical regulations and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and an official fire clearance must be present at each site.
3. Contractor shall provide the services required by this Contract during hours that are in the best interest of County's clients and, within this parameter, Contractor may determine the appropriate availability and hours of its operations.

4. Contractor agrees to provide all necessary tools, equipment, materials, and supplies necessary for the performance of the services under this Contract. Contractor shall also be responsible for all costs and expenses incident to the performance of services for County, including but not limited to, all costs of equipment provided by Contractor, all fees, fines, bonds or taxes required of or imposed against Contractor and all other Contractor's costs of doing business. County shall not be responsible for any expenses incurred by Contractor in performing services for County.

#### **Reporting**

1. Contractor shall establish and maintain, at Contractor's cost, a computer system fully compliant with HIPAA transactions and Codeset standards as well as the DHCS CalOMS Data Collection standards, as necessary, for the submission of information required under the terms and conditions of this Contract, including, but not limited to the submission of CalOMS treatment admission and discharge data, including client demographic data.
2. Contractor will be responsible for the accuracy of all data and information which Contractor provides to County or State, ensuring that all services are performed appropriately within the Federal, State, and County guidelines, regulations, code, statutes, and law, including, but not limited to administration, utilization review, documentation, and staffing.
3. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for all data and information submitted by Contractor to County or State in support of claims for services that may be based on data and information submitted by Contractor. Contractor shall process all service data requests within the time frame prescribed by the County and/or State. County shall have no liability for Contractor's failure to comply with County and/or State time frames.
4. Upon request by County, Contractor shall provide to County within seven (7) days of the request, any and all client progress report(s), along with County authorization form(s) properly executed by the client(s).

#### **Auditing**

1. Contractor shall maintain an audit file of all records pertaining to this Contract for a period of five years after the duration date of this Contract, or until final resolution of any audits, whichever occurs later.
2. Contractor agrees to maintain and preserve, until three years after termination of agreement and final payment from DHCS to the Contractor, to permit DHCS or any duly authorized representative, to have access to, examine or audit any pertinent books, documents, papers and records related to this subcontract and to allow interviews of any employees who might reasonably have information related to such records.
3. County will periodically evaluate Contractor's program units of service for the purpose of assessing the reasonableness of the County's payment for services provided. Contractor will be provided reasonable notice if additional contractual and/or service delivery issues are to be reviewed. Contractor is expected to prepare and provide to County the necessary reports and other analysis to adequately explain Contractor's use of funds.

## Exhibit C-1 Additional Provisions SUBG

### 1. Additional Restrictions

This Agreement is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, or conditions enacted by the Congress, or any statute enacted by the Congress, which may affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this Agreement in any manner.

### 2. Hatch Act

County agrees to comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (USC, Title 5, Part III, Subpart F., Chapter 73, Subchapter III), which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with federal funds.

### 3. No Unlawful Use or Unlawful Use Messages Regarding Drugs

County agrees that information produced through these funds, and which pertains to drugs and alcohol-related programs, shall contain a clearly written statement that there shall be no unlawful use of drugs or alcohol associated with the program. Additionally, no aspect of a drug or alcohol-related program shall include any message on the responsible use, if the use is unlawful, of drugs or alcohol (HSC, Division 10.7, Chapter 1429, Sections 11999-11999.3). By signing this Enclosure, county agrees that it will enforce, and will require its subcontractors to enforce, these requirements.

### 4. Limitation on Use of Funds for Promotion of Legalization of Controlled Substances

None of the funds made available through this Agreement may be used for any activity that promotes the legalization of any drug or other substance included in Schedule I of Section 202 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 USC 812).

### 5. Debarment and Suspension

County shall not subcontract with or employ any party listed on the government wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp. p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM exclusions contain the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. The County shall advise all subcontractors of their obligation to comply with applicable federal debarment and suspension regulations, in addition to the requirements set forth in 42 CFR Part 1001. If a county subcontracts or employs an excluded party, DHCS has the right to withhold payments, disallow costs, or issue a CAP, as appropriate, pursuant to HSC Code 11817.8(h).

### 6. Restriction on Purchase of Sterile Needles

No SUBG funds made available through this Agreement shall be used to purchase sterile needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of any illegal drug. DHCS has allowed SUBG funds to support existing Syringe Services Programs (SSP) or to establish new SSPs; reference Enclosure 5 for allowable costs related to SSP. **No federal funds can be used to purchase sterile needles or syringes.**

### 7. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996

All work performed under this Agreement is subject to HIPAA, county shall perform the work in compliance with all applicable provisions of HIPAA. As identified in Exhibit E, DHCS and county shall cooperate to assure mutual agreement as to those transactions between them, to which this provision applies. Refer to Exhibit E for additional information.

#### A. Trading Partner Requirements

1. No Changes. County hereby agrees that for the personal health information (Information), it will not change any definition, data condition, or use of a data element or segment as proscribed in the Federal Health and Human Services (HHS) Transaction Standard Regulation (45 CFR 162.915 (a)).
2. No Additions. County hereby agrees that for the Information, it will not add any data elements or segments to the maximum data set as proscribed in the HHS Transaction Standard Regulation (45 CFR 162.915 (b)).
3. No Unauthorized Uses. County hereby agrees that for the Information, it will not use any code or data elements that either are marked "not used" in the HHS Transaction's Implementation specification or are not in the HHS Transaction Standard's implementation specifications (45 CFR 162.915 (c)).
4. No Changes to Meaning or Intent. County hereby agrees that for the Information, it will not change the meaning or intent of any of the HHS Transaction Standard's implementation specification (45 CFR 162.915 (d)).

#### B. Concurrence for Test Modifications to HHS Transaction Standards

County agrees and understands that there exists the possibility that DHCS or others may request an extension from the uses of a standard in the HHS Transaction Standards. If this occurs, county agrees that it will participate in such test modifications.

#### C. Adequate Testing

County is responsible to adequately test all business rules appropriate to their types and specialties. If the county is acting as a clearinghouse for enrolled providers, county has obligations to adequately test all business rules appropriate to each and every provider type and specialty for which they provide clearinghouse services.

#### D. Deficiencies

County agrees to correct transactions, errors, or deficiencies identified by DHCS, and transactions errors or deficiencies identified by an enrolled provider if the county is acting as a clearinghouse for that provider. When county is a clearinghouse, county agrees to properly communicate deficiencies and other pertinent information regarding electronic transactions to enrolled providers for which they provide clearinghouse services.

#### E. Code Set Retention

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Both parties shall establish and maintain a Data Transmission Log which shall record any and all Data Transmissions taking place between the Parties during the term of this Agreement. Each party will take necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that such Data Transmission Logs constitute a current, accurate, complete, and unaltered record of any and all Data Transmissions between the parties, and shall be retained by each Party for no less than twenty-four (24) months following the date of the Data Transmission. The Data Transmission Log may be maintained on computer media or other suitable means provided that, if it is necessary to do so, the information contained in the Data Transmission Log may be retrieved in a timely manner and presented in readable form.

#### 8. Nondiscrimination and Institutional Safeguards for Religious Providers

County shall establish such processes and procedures as necessary to comply with the provisions of USC, Title 42, Section 300x-65 and CFR, Title 42, Part 54.

#### 9. Counselor Certification

Any counselor or registrant providing intake, assessment of need for services, treatment or recovery planning, individual or group counseling to participants, patients, or residents in a DHCS licensed or certified program is required to be registered or certified as defined in CCR, Title 9, Division 4, Chapter 8.

#### 10. Cultural and Linguistic Proficiency

To ensure equal access to quality care by diverse populations, each service provider receiving funds from this Agreement shall adopt the Federal Office of Minority Health Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Service (CLAS) national standards as outlined online at: <https://thinkculturalhealth.hhs.gov/clas/standards>

#### 11. Intravenous Drug Use (IVDU) Treatment

County shall ensure that individuals in need of IVDU treatment shall be encouraged to undergo AOD treatment (42 USC 300x-23 (45 CFR 96.126(e)).

#### 12. Tuberculosis Treatment

County shall ensure the following related to Tuberculosis (TB):

- A. Routinely make available TB services to individuals receiving treatment.
- B. Reduce barriers to patients' accepting TB treatment.
- C. Develop strategies to improve follow-up monitoring, particularly after patients leave treatment, by disseminating information through educational bulletins and technical assistance.

#### 13. Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000

County and its subcontractors that provide services covered by this Agreement shall comply with the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (USC, Title 22, Chapter 78, Section 7104) as amended by section 1702 of Pub. L. 112-239.

#### 14. Tribal Communities and Organizations

County shall regularly review population information available through Census, compare to information obtained in the California Outcome Measurement System for Treatment (CalOMS-Tx) to determine whether the population is being reached, and survey Tribal representatives for insight in potential barriers to the substance use service needs of the American Indian/Alaskan Native (AI/AN) population within the county geographic area. County shall also engage in regular and meaningful consultation and collaboration with elected officials of the tribe, Rancheria, or their designee for the purpose of identifying issues/barriers to service delivery and improvement of the quality, effectiveness, and accessibility of services available to AI/AN communities within the county.

#### 15. Marijuana Restriction

Grant funds may not be used, directly or indirectly, to purchase, prescribe, or provide marijuana or treatment using marijuana. Treatment in this context includes the treatment of opioid use disorder. Grant funds also cannot be provided to any individual who or organization that provides or permits marijuana use for the purposes of treating substance use or mental disorders. See, e.g., 45 CFR. §75.300(a) (requiring HHS to "ensure that Federal funding is expended . . . in full accordance with U.S. statutory . . . requirements."); 21 USC § 812(c) (10) and 841 (prohibiting the possession, manufacture, sale, purchase or distribution of marijuana). This prohibition does not apply to those providing such treatment in the context of clinical research permitted by the DEA and under an FDA-approved investigational new drug application where the article being evaluated is marijuana or a constituent thereof that is otherwise a banned controlled substance under Federal law.

#### 16. Participation of County Behavioral Health Director's Association of California

The County AOD Program Administrator shall participate and represent the county in meetings of the County Behavioral Health Director's Association of California for the purposes of representing the counties in their relationship with DHCS with respect to policies, standards, and administration for AOD abuse services. The County AOD Program Administrator shall attend any special meetings called by the Director of DHCS. Participation and representation shall also be provided by the County Behavioral Health Director's Association of California.

#### 17. Adolescent Best Practices Guidelines

County must utilize DHCS guidelines in developing and implementing youth treatment programs funded under this Enclosure The Adolescent Best Practices Guidelines can be found at:

[https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Documents/CSD\\_CMHCS/Adol%20Best%20Practices%20Guide/AdolBestPracGuideOC TOBER2020.pdf](https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Documents/CSD_CMHCS/Adol%20Best%20Practices%20Guide/AdolBestPracGuideOC TOBER2020.pdf)

#### 18. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 USC 1352)

County certifies that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 USC 1352. County shall also disclose to DHCS any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award.

#### 19. Nondiscrimination in Employment and Services

County certifies that under the laws of the United States and the State of California, county will not unlawfully discriminate against any person.

#### 20. Federal Law Requirements:

A. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 2000d, as amended, prohibiting discrimination based on race, color, or national origin in federally-funded programs.

B. Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 USC 3601 et seq.) prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin in the sale or rental of housing.

C. Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (45 CFR Part 90), as amended 42 USC Sections 6101 – 6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age.

D. Age Discrimination in Employment Act (29 CFR Part 1625).

E. Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act (29 CFR Part 1630) prohibiting discrimination against the disabled in employment.

F. Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (28 CFR Part 35) prohibiting discrimination against the disabled by public entities.

G. Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (28 CFR Part 36) regarding access.

H. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC Section 794), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of individuals with disabilities.

I. Executive Order 11246 (42 USC 2000(e) et seq. and 41 CFR Part 60) regarding nondiscrimination in employment under federal contracts and construction contracts greater than \$10,000 funded by federal financial assistance.

J. Executive Order 13166 (67 FR 41455) to improve access to federal services for those with limited English proficiency.

K. The Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972, as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse.

L. Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records (42 CFR Part 2, Subparts A – E).

21. State Law Requirements:

A. Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code Section 12900 et seq.) and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (2 CCR 7285.0 et seq.).

B. Title 2, Division 3, Article 9.5 of the Government Code, commencing with Section 11135.

C. Title 9, Division 4, Chapter 8 of the CCR, commencing with Section 13000.

D. No federal funds shall be used by the county or its subcontractors for sectarian worship, instruction, or proselytization. No federal funds shall be used by the county or its subcontractors to provide direct, immediate, or substantial support to any religious activity.

22. Additional Restrictions

A. Noncompliance with the requirements of nondiscrimination in services shall constitute grounds for DHCS to withhold payments under this Agreement or terminate all, or any type, of funding provided hereunder.

B. This Agreement is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, or conditions enacted by the federal or state governments that affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this Agreement in any manner.

23. Information Access for Individuals with Limited English Proficiency

A. County shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Dymally-Alatorre Bilingual Services Act (Government Code sections 7290-7299.8) regarding access to materials that explain services available to the public as well as providing language interpretation services.

B. County shall comply with the applicable provisions of Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act (45 CFR Part 92), including, but not limited to, 45 CFR 92.201, when providing access to: (a) materials explaining services available to the public, (b) language assistance, (c) language interpreter and translation services, or (d) video remote language interpreting services.

24. Subcontract Provisions

County shall include all of the foregoing Part II general provisions in all of its subcontracts. These requirements must be included verbatim in contracts with subrecipients and not through documents incorporated by reference.

Exhibit C-2 Additional Provisions (DHCS – DMC)

A. Additional Contract Restrictions

This Contract is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, or conditions enacted by Congress, or any statute enacted by Congress, which may affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this Contract in any manner.

B. No Unlawful Use or Unlawful Use Messages Regarding Drugs

The Contractor agrees that information produced through these funds, and which pertains to drug- and alcohol-related programs, shall contain a clearly written statement that there shall be no unlawful use of drugs or alcohol associated with the program. Additionally, no aspect of a drug- and alcohol-related program shall include any message on the responsible use, if the use is unlawful, of drugs or alcohol (HSC Section 11999-11999.3). By signing this Contract, the Contractor agrees that it will enforce, and will require its subcontractors to enforce, these requirements.

C. Noncompliance with Reporting Requirements

The Contractor agrees that DHCS has the right to withhold payments until the Contractor has submitted any required data and reports to DHCS, as identified in Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part III – Reporting Requirements, or as identified in Document 1F(a), Reporting Requirements Matrix for Counties.

D. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996

If any of the work performed under this Contract is subject to HIPAA, the Contractor shall perform the work in compliance with all applicable provisions of HIPAA. As identified in Exhibit F, DHCS and the Contractor shall cooperate to assure mutual agreement as to those transactions between them, to which this provision applies. Refer to Exhibit F for additional information.

1. Trading Partner Requirements

a) No Changes. The Contractor hereby agrees that for the personal health information (Information), it will not change any definition, data condition or use of a data element or segment as proscribed in the Federal Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Transaction Standard Regulation (45 CFR 162.915 (a)).

b) No Additions. The Contractor hereby agrees that for the Information, it will not add any data elements or segments to the maximum data set as proscribed in the HHS Transaction Standard Regulation (45 CFR 162.915 (b)).

c) No Unauthorized Uses. The Contractor hereby agrees that for the Information, it will not use any code or data elements that either are marked “not used” in the HHS Transaction’s Implementation specification or are not in the HHS Transaction Standard’s implementation specifications (45 CFR 162.915 (c)).

d) No Changes to Meaning or Intent. The Contractor hereby agrees that for the Information, it will not change the meaning or intent of any of the HHS Transaction Standard’s implementation specification (45 CFR 162.915 (d)).

2. Concurrence for Test Modifications to HHS Transaction Standards

The Contractor agrees and understands that there exists the possibility that DHCS or others may request an extension from the uses of a standard in the HHS Transaction Standards. If this occurs, The Contractor agrees that it will participate in such test modifications.

3. Adequate Testing

The Contractor is responsible to adequately test all business rules appropriate to their types and specialties. If the Contractor is acting as a clearinghouse for enrolled providers, the Contractor has obligations to adequately test all business rules appropriate to each and every provider type and specialty for which they provide clearinghouse services.

#### 4. Deficiencies

The Contractor agrees to correct transactions, errors, or deficiencies identified by DHCS, and transactions errors or deficiencies identified by an enrolled provider if the Contractor is acting as a clearinghouse for that provider. When County is a clearinghouse, then the Contractor agrees to properly communicate deficiencies and other pertinent information regarding electronic transactions to enrolled providers for which they provide clearinghouse services.

#### 5. Code Set Retention

Both parties understand and agree to keep open code sets being processed or used in this Contract for at least the current billing period or any appeal period, whichever is longer.

#### 6. Data Transmission Log

Both parties shall establish and maintain a Data Transmission Log, which shall record any and all Data Transmissions taking place between the Parties during the term of this Contract. Each party will take necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that such Data Transmission Logs constitute a current, accurate, complete, and unaltered record of any and all Data Transmissions between the parties, and shall be retained by each party for no less than twenty-four (24) months following the date of the Data Transmission. The Data Transmission Log may be maintained on computer media or other suitable means provided that, if it is necessary to do so, the information contained in the Data Transmission Log may be retrieved in a timely manner and presented in readable form.

#### E. Counselor Certification

Any counselor or registrant providing intake, assessment of need for services, treatment or recovery planning, individual or group counseling to participants, patients, or residents in a DHCS licensed or certified program is required to be registered or certified as defined in Title 9, Division 4, Chapter 8 (Document 3H).

#### F. Cultural and Linguistic Proficiency

To ensure equal access to quality care by diverse populations, each DMC provider receiving funds from this Contract shall adopt the Federal Office of Minority Health Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Service (CLAS) national standards (Document 3V).

#### G. Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000

Contractor and its subcontractors that provide services covered by this Contract shall comply with the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (22 USC 7104(g)), as amended by section 1702 of Pub. L. 112-239.

#### H. Tribal Communities and Organizations

The Contractor shall regularly assess (e.g. review population information available through Census Bureau, compare to information obtained in CalOMS Treatment to determine whether population is being reached, survey Tribal representatives for insight in potential barriers) the substance use service needs of the American Indian/Alaskan Native (AI/AN) population within the Contractor's geographic area and shall engage in regular and meaningful consultation and collaboration with elected officials of the tribe, Rancheria, or their designee for the purpose of identifying issues/barriers to service delivery and improvement of the quality, effectiveness, and accessibility of services available to AI/AN communities within the County.

#### I. Perinatal Practice Guidelines

The Contractor will follow the guidelines in Document 1G, "Perinatal Practice Guidelines," in developing and implementing perinatal treatment and recovery programs funded under this Exhibit, until new Perinatal Practice Guidelines are established and adopted. No formal amendment of this Contract is required for new guidelines to be incorporated into this Contract.

J. Adolescent Substance Use Disorder Best Practices Guidelines

The Contractor will follow the guidelines in Document 1V, "Adolescent Substance Use Disorder Best Practice Guidelines," in developing and implementing youth treatment programs funded under this Exhibit. No formal amendment of this Contract is required for new guidelines to be incorporated into this Contract.

K. Nondiscrimination in Employment and Services

By signing this Contract, the Contractor certifies that under the laws of the United States and the State of California, incorporated into this Contract by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full, the Contractor will not unlawfully discriminate against any person.

L. Federal Law Requirements:

1. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 2000d, as amended, prohibiting discrimination based on race, color, or national origin in federally funded programs.
2. Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 USC 3601 et seq.) prohibiting discrimination in the sale or rental of housing.
3. Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (45 CFR Part 90), as amended (42 USC Sections 6101 – 6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age.
4. Age Discrimination in Employment Act (29 CFR Part 1625).
5. Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act (29 CFR Part 1630) prohibiting discrimination against the disabled in employment.
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12. Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records (42 CFR Part 2, Subparts A – E).

M. State Law Requirements:

1. Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code, section 12900 et seq.) and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (2 Cal. Code Regs. 10000 et seq.).

2. Title 2, Division 3, Part 1, Chapter 1, Article 9.5 of the Government Code, commencing with section 11135.
3. Title 9, Division 4, Chapter 8 of the Cal. Code Regs., commencing with Section 13060.
4. No state, federal, or County Realignment funds shall be used by the Contractor or its subcontractors for sectarian worship, instruction, or proselytization. No state funds shall be used by the Contractor or its subcontractors to provide direct, immediate, or substantial support to any religious activity.
5. Noncompliance with the requirements of nondiscrimination in services shall constitute grounds for DHCS to withhold payments under this Contract or terminate all, or any type, of funding provided hereunder.
6. Welfare & Institution Code sections 14184.402, 14184.403 and 14059.5.

N. Additional Contract Restrictions

This Contract is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, or conditions enacted by the federal or state governments that affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this Contract in any manner.

P. Other services approved by a State Plan amendment or waiver authorizing federal financial participation.

Q. Subcontract Provisions

The Contractor shall include the foregoing Part II general provisions in all of its subcontracts.

The Contractor shall comply with 45 CFR 162.410(a)(1). For purposes of this paragraph, a covered health care provider shall have the same definition as a covered entity set forth in 45 CFR 160.103.

Contractor must be DMC certified prior to the Contractor delivering DMC services under this Contract at the provider sites.

Contractor providing perinatal DMC services must comply with the requirements contained in Title 22, Section 51341.1, Services for Pregnant and Postpartum Women.

Contractor providing covered services are to be licensed, registered, DMC enrolled, and/or approved in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. Contractor shall comply with the following regulations and guidelines, including, but not limited to:

- a) Title 21, CFR Part 1300, et seq., Title 42, CFR, Part 8.
- b) Title 22, California Code Regulations (Cal. Code Regs.), Sections 51341.1, 51490.1, and 51516.1, (Document 2C).
- c) Minimum Quality Treatment Standards, (Document 2F(a)).
- d) Title 9, Cal. Code Regs., Div. 4, Chapter 4, Subchapter 1, Sections 10000, et seq.
- e) Title 22, Cal. Code Regs., Div. 3, Chapter 3, Sections 51000, et seq.

In the event of conflicts, the provisions of Title 22 shall control if they are more stringent.

f) All federal and State civil rights laws prohibiting the unlawful discrimination of individuals on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, ethnic group identification, age, mental disability, physical disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, gender, gender identity, or sexual orientation.

**ATTACHMENT D  
GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**D.1 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR.** For all purposes arising out of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall be an independent contractor and CONTRACTOR and each and every employee, agent, servant, partner, and shareholder of CONTRACTOR (collectively referred to as "The Contractor") shall not be, for any purpose of this Agreement, an employee of COUNTY. Furthermore, this Agreement shall not under any circumstance be construed or considered to be a joint powers agreement as described in *Government Code* Section 6000, et seq., or otherwise. As an independent contractor, the following shall apply:

**D.1.1** CONTRACTOR shall determine the method, details and means of performing the services to be provided by CONTRACTOR as described in this Agreement.

**D.1.2** CONTRACTOR shall be responsible to COUNTY only for the requirements and results specified by this Agreement and, except as specifically provided in this Agreement, shall not be subject to COUNTY's control with respect to the physical actions or activities of CONTRACTOR in fulfillment of the requirements of this Agreement.

**D.1.3** CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for its own operating costs and expenses, property and income taxes, workers' compensation insurance and any other costs and expenses in connection with performance of services under this Agreement.

**D.1.4** CONTRACTOR is not, and shall not be, entitled to receive from or through COUNTY, and COUNTY shall not provide or be obligated to provide the CONTRACTOR with workers' compensation coverage, unemployment insurance coverage or any other type of employee or worker insurance or benefit coverage required or provided by any federal, state or local law or regulation for, or normally afforded to, any employee of COUNTY.

**D.1.5** The CONTRACTOR shall not be entitled to have COUNTY withhold or pay, and COUNTY shall not withhold or pay, on behalf of the CONTRACTOR any tax or money relating to the Social Security Old Age Pension Program, Social Security Disability Program or any other type of pension, annuity or disability program required or provided by any federal, state or local law or regulation for, or normally afforded to, an employee of COUNTY.

**D.1.6** The CONTRACTOR shall not be entitled to participate in, or receive any benefit from, or make any claim against any COUNTY fringe benefit program including, but not limited to, COUNTY's pension plan, medical and health care plan, dental plan, life insurance plan, or other type of benefit program, plan or coverage designated for, provided to, or offered to COUNTY's employees.

**D.1.7** COUNTY shall not withhold or pay on behalf of CONTRACTOR any federal, state or local tax including, but not limited to, any personal income tax owed by CONTRACTOR.

**D.1.8** The CONTRACTOR is, and at all times during the term of this Agreement shall represent and conduct itself as, an independent contractor and not as an employee of COUNTY.

**D.1.9** CONTRACTOR shall not have the authority, express or implied, to act on behalf of, bind or obligate the COUNTY in any way without the written consent of the COUNTY.

**D.2 LICENSES, PERMITS, ETC.** CONTRACTOR represents and warrants to COUNTY that it has all licenses, permits, qualifications, and approvals of whatsoever nature which are legally required for CONTRACTOR to practice its profession. CONTRACTOR represents and warrants to COUNTY that CONTRACTOR shall, at its sole cost and expense, keep in effect or obtain at all times during the term of this Agreement any licenses, permits, and approvals which are legally required for CONTRACTOR to practice its profession at the time the services are performed.

**D.3 CHANGE IN STATUTES OR REGULATIONS.** If there is a change of statutes or regulations applicable to the subject matter of this Agreement, both parties agree to be governed by the new provisions, unless either party gives notice to terminate pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

**D.4 TIME.** CONTRACTOR shall devote such time to the performance of services pursuant to this Agreement as may be reasonably necessary for the satisfactory performance of CONTRACTOR's obligations pursuant to this Agreement. Neither party shall be considered in default of this Agreement to the extent performance is prevented or delayed by any cause, present or future, which is beyond the reasonable control of the party.

**D.5 INSURANCE.**

**D.5.1** Prior to rendering services provided by the terms and conditions of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall acquire and maintain during the term of this Agreement insurance coverage through and with an insurer acceptable to COUNTY, naming the COUNTY and COUNTY's officers, employees, agents and independent contractors as additional insured (hereinafter referred to as "the insurance"). The insurance shall contain the coverage indicated by the checked items below.

Yes **D.5.1.1** Commercial general liability insurance that includes coverage for premises liability, products and completed operations, contractual liability, personal injury and advertising liability, abuse, molestation, sexual actions, and assault and battery, with minimum coverage amounts for bodily injury or property damage of not less than one million (\$1,000,000) per occurrence. CONTRACTOR shall insure both COUNTY and CONTRACTOR against any liability arising under or related to this Agreement.

Yes **D.5.1.2** Commercial or business automobile liability insurance covering all owned vehicles, hired or leased vehicles, non-owned vehicles, and borrowed and permissive uses, with minimum coverage amounts for bodily injury or property damage of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence.

Yes **D.5.1.3** Workers' compensation insurance, as required by law. Notwithstanding subdivision (b) of section 3700 of the Labor Code, a certificate of self-insurance obtained pursuant to that subdivision does not satisfy this requirement.

Yes **D.5.1.4** Employer's liability insurance, with minimum coverage amounts for bodily injury or disease of not less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) per occurrence.

Yes **D.5.1.5** Professional liability and errors and omissions insurance that includes an endorsement for contractual liability, with minimum coverage amounts of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence and two million dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate. If applicable, the contract shall include an endorsement for defense and indemnification of any government entity with which the licensee has contracted.

**D.5.2** The limits of insurance herein shall not limit the liability of the CONTRACTOR hereunder.

**D.5.3** In respect to any insurance herein, if the aggregate limit available becomes less than that required above, other excess insurance shall be acquired and maintained immediately. For the purpose of any insurance term of this Agreement, "aggregate limit available" is defined as the total policy limits available for all claims made during the policy period.

**D.5.4** The insurance shall include an endorsement that no cancellation or material change adversely affecting any coverage provided by the insurance may be made until twenty (20) days after written notice is delivered to COUNTY.

**D.5.5** The insurance policy forms, endorsements and insurer(s) issuing the insurance shall be satisfactory to COUNTY at its sole and absolute discretion. The amount of any deductible payable by the insured shall be subject

to the prior approval of the COUNTY and the COUNTY, as a condition of its approval, may require such proof of the adequacy of CONTRACTOR's financial resources as it may see fit.

**D.5.6** Prior to CONTRACTOR rendering services provided by this Agreement, and immediately upon acquiring additional insurance, CONTRACTOR shall deliver a certificate of insurance describing the insurance coverages and endorsements to:

County of Sierra  
Auditor/Risk-Manager  
P.O. Drawer 425  
Downieville, CA 95936

**D.5.7** CONTRACTOR shall not render services under the terms and conditions of this Agreement unless each type of insurance coverage and endorsement is in effect and CONTRACTOR has delivered the certificate(s) of insurance to COUNTY as previously described. If CONTRACTOR shall fail to procure and maintain said insurance, COUNTY may, but shall not be required to, procure and maintain the same, and the premiums of such insurance shall be paid by CONTRACTOR to COUNTY upon demand. The policies of insurance provided herein which are to be provided by CONTRACTOR shall be for a period of not less than one year, it being understood and agreed that twenty (20) days prior to the expiration of any policy of insurance, CONTRACTOR will deliver to COUNTY a renewal or new policy to take the place of the policy expiring.

**D.5.8** COUNTY shall have the right to request such further coverages and/or endorsements on the insurance as COUNTY deems necessary, at CONTRACTOR's expense. The amounts, insurance policy forms, endorsements and insurer(s) issuing the insurance shall be satisfactory to COUNTY in its sole and absolute discretion.

**D.5.9** Any subcontractor(s), independent contractor(s) or any type of agent(s) performing or hired to perform any term or condition of this Agreement on behalf of CONTRACTOR, as may be allowed by this Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "SECONDARY PARTIES"), shall comply with each term and condition of this Section D.5 entitled "INSURANCE". Furthermore, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the SECONDARY PARTIES' acts and satisfactory performance of the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

**D.6 INDEMNITY.** CONTRACTOR shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless COUNTY, its elected and appointed councils, boards, commissions, officers, agents, and employees from any liability for damage or claims for damage for any economic loss or personal injury, including death, as well as for property damage, which may arise from the intentional or negligent acts or omissions of CONTRACTOR in the performance of services rendered under this Agreement by CONTRACTOR, or any of CONTRACTOR's officers, agents, employees, contractors, or subcontractors.

**D.7 CONTRACTOR NOT AGENT.** Except as COUNTY may specify in writing, CONTRACTOR shall have no authority, express or implied, to act on behalf of COUNTY in any capacity whatsoever as an agent. CONTRACTOR shall have no authority, express or implied, pursuant to this Agreement to bind COUNTY to any obligation whatsoever.

**D.8 ASSIGNMENT PROHIBITED.** CONTRACTOR may not assign any right or obligation pursuant to this Agreement. Any attempted or purported assignment of any right or obligation pursuant to this Agreement shall be void and of no legal effect.

**D.9 PERSONNEL.** CONTRACTOR shall assign only competent personnel to perform services pursuant to this Agreement. In the event that COUNTY, in its sole discretion at any time during the term of this Agreement, desires the removal of any person or persons assigned by CONTRACTOR to perform services pursuant to this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall remove any such person immediately upon receiving written notice from COUNTY of its desire for removal of such person or persons.

**D.10 STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE.** CONTRACTOR shall perform all services required pursuant to this Agreement in the manner and according to the standards observed by a competent practitioner of the profession in which CONTRACTOR is engaged. All products of whatsoever nature which CONTRACTOR delivers to COUNTY pursuant to this Agreement shall be prepared in a first class and workmanlike manner and shall conform to the standards of quality normally observed by a person practicing in CONTRACTOR's profession.

**D.11 POSSESSORY INTEREST.** The parties to this Agreement recognize that certain rights to property may create a "possessory interest", as those words are used in the *California Revenue and Taxation Code* (107). For all purposes of compliance by COUNTY with Section 107.6 of the *California Revenue and Taxation Code*, this recital shall be deemed full compliance by the COUNTY. All questions of initial determination of possessory interest and valuation of such interest, if any, shall be the responsibility of the County Assessor and the contracting parties hereto. A taxable possessory interest may be created by this, if created, and the party in whom such an interest is vested will be subject to the payment of property taxes levied on such an interest.

**D.12 TAXES.** CONTRACTOR hereby grants to the COUNTY the authority to deduct from any payments to CONTRACTOR any COUNTY imposed taxes, fines, penalties and related charges which are delinquent at the time such payments under this Agreement are due to CONTRACTOR.

**D.13 TERMINATION.** COUNTY shall have the right to terminate this Agreement at any time by giving notice in writing of such termination to CONTRACTOR. In the event COUNTY gives notice of termination, CONTRACTOR shall immediately cease rendering service upon receipt of such written notice and the following shall apply:

**D.13.1.1** CONTRACTOR shall deliver to COUNTY copies of all writings prepared by it pursuant to this Agreement. The term "writings" shall be construed to mean and include: handwriting, typewriting, printing, photostating, photographing, computer storage medium (tapes, disks, diskettes, etc.) and every other means of recording upon any tangible thing, and form of communication or representation, including letters, words, pictures, sounds, or symbols, or combinations thereof.

**D.13.1.2** COUNTY shall pay CONTRACTOR the reasonable value of services rendered by CONTRACTOR to the date of termination pursuant to this Agreement not to exceed the amount documented by CONTRACTOR and approved by COUNTY as work accomplished to date; provided, however, that in no event shall any payment hereunder exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000). Further provided, however, COUNTY shall not in any manner be liable for lost profits which might have been made by CONTRACTOR had CONTRACTOR completed the services required by this Agreement. In this regard, CONTRACTOR shall furnish to COUNTY such financial information as in the judgment of the COUNTY is necessary to determine the reasonable value of the services rendered by CONTRACTOR. In the event of a dispute as to the reasonable value of the services rendered by CONTRACTOR, the decision of the COUNTY shall be final. The foregoing is cumulative and does not affect any right or remedy which COUNTY may have in law or equity.

**D.13.2** CONTRACTOR may terminate its services under this Agreement upon thirty (30) working days written notice to the COUNTY, without liability for damages, if CONTRACTOR is not compensated according to the provisions of the Agreement or upon any other material breach of the Agreement by COUNTY, provided that CONTRACTOR has first provided COUNTY with a written notice of any alleged breach, specifying the nature of the alleged breach and providing not less than ten (10) working days within which the COUNTY may cure the alleged breach.

**D.14 OWNERSHIP OF INFORMATION.** All professional and technical information developed under this Agreement and all work sheets, reports, and related data shall become and/or remain the property of COUNTY, and CONTRACTOR agrees to deliver reproducible copies of such documents to COUNTY on completion of the services hereunder. The COUNTY agrees to indemnify and hold CONTRACTOR harmless from any claim arising out of reuse of the information for other than this project.

**D.15 WAIVER.** A waiver by any party of any breach of any term, covenant or condition herein contained or a waiver of any right or remedy of such party available hereunder at law or in equity shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same or any other term, covenant or condition herein contained or of any continued or subsequent right to the same right or remedy. No party shall be deemed to have made any such waiver unless it is in writing and signed by the party so waiving.

**D.16 COMPLETENESS OF INSTRUMENT.** This Agreement, together with its specific references and attachments, constitutes all of the agreements, understandings, representations, conditions, warranties and covenants made by and between the parties hereto. Unless set forth herein, neither party shall be liable for any representations made, express or implied.

**D.17 SUPERSEDES PRIOR AGREEMENTS.** It is the intention of the parties hereto that this Agreement shall supersede any prior agreements, discussions, commitments, representations, or agreements, written or oral, between the parties hereto.

**D.18 ATTORNEY'S FEES.** If any action at law or in equity, including an action for declaratory relief, is brought to enforce or interpret provisions of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees, which may be set by the Court in the same action or in a separate action brought for that purpose, in addition to any other relief to which such party may be entitled.

**D.19 MINOR AUDITOR REVISION.** In the event the Sierra County Auditor's office finds a mathematical discrepancy between the terms of the Agreement and actual invoices or payments, provided that such discrepancy does not exceed 1% of the Agreement amount, the Auditor's office may make the adjustment in any payment or payments without requiring an amendment to the Agreement to provide for such adjustment. Should the COUNTY or the CONTRACTOR disagree with such adjustment, they reserve the right to contest such adjustment and/or to request corrective amendment.

**D.20 CAPTIONS.** The captions of this Agreement are for convenience in reference only and the words contained therein shall in no way be held to explain, modify, amplify or aid in the interpretation, construction or meaning of the provisions of this Agreement.

**D.21 DEFINITIONS.** Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, or unless the context otherwise requires, the following definitions and rules of construction shall apply herein.

**D.21.1 NUMBER AND GENDER.** In this Agreement, the neuter gender includes the feminine and masculine, the singular includes the plural, and the word "person" includes corporations, partnerships, firms or associations, wherever the context so requires.

**D.21.2 MANDATORY AND PERMISSIVE.** "Shall" and "will" and "agrees" are mandatory. "May" is permissive.

**D.22 TERM INCLUDES EXTENSIONS.** All references to the term of this Agreement or the Agreement Term shall include any extensions of such term.

**D.23 SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS.** All representations, covenants and warranties specifically set forth in this Agreement, by or on behalf of, or for the benefit of any or all of the parties hereto, shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of such party, its successors and assigns.

**D.24 MODIFICATION.** No modification or waiver of any provisions of this Agreement or its attachments shall be effective unless such waiver or modification shall be in writing, signed by all parties, and then shall be effective only for the period and on the condition, and for the specific instance for which given.

**D.25 COUNTERPARTS.** This Agreement may be executed simultaneously and in several counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

**D.26 OTHER DOCUMENTS.** The parties agree that they shall cooperate in good faith to accomplish the object of this Agreement and, to that end, agree to execute and deliver such other and further instruments and documents as may be necessary and convenient to the fulfillment of these purposes.

**D.27 PARTIAL INVALIDITY.** If any term, covenant, condition or provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remainder of the provision and/or provisions shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated.

**D.28 VENUE.** It is agreed by the parties hereto that unless otherwise expressly waived by them, any action brought to enforce any of the provisions hereof or for declaratory relief hereunder shall be filed and remain in a court of competent jurisdiction in the County of Sierra, State of California.

**D.29 CONTROLLING LAW.** The validity, interpretation and performance of this Agreement shall be controlled by and construed under the laws of the State of California.

**D.30 CALIFORNIA TORT CLAIMS ACT.** Notwithstanding any term or condition of the Agreement, the provisions, and related provisions, of the California Tort Claims Act, Division 3.6 of the *Government Code*, are not waived by COUNTY and shall apply to any claim against COUNTY arising out of any acts or conduct under the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

**D.31 TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE.** Time is of the essence of this Agreement and each covenant and term herein.

**D.32 AUTHORITY.** All parties to this Agreement warrant and represent that they have the power and authority to enter into this Agreement in the names, titles and capacities herein stated and on behalf of any entities, persons, estates or firms represented or purported to be represented by such entity(s), person(s), estate(s) or firm(s) and that all formal requirements necessary or required by any state and/or federal law in order to enter into this Agreement are in full compliance. Further, by entering into this Agreement, neither party hereto shall have breached the terms or conditions of any other contract or agreement to which such party is obligated, which such breach would have a material effect hereon.

**D.33 CORPORATE AUTHORITY.** If CONTRACTOR is a corporation or public agency, each individual executing this Agreement on behalf of said corporation or public agency represents and warrants that he or she is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Agreement on behalf of said corporation, in accordance with a duly adopted resolution of the Board of Directors of said corporation or in accordance with the bylaws of said corporation or Board or Commission of said public agency, and that this Agreement is binding upon said corporation or public entity in accordance with its terms. If CONTRACTOR is a corporation, CONTRACTOR shall, within thirty (30) days after execution of this Agreement, deliver to COUNTY a certified copy of a resolution of the Board of Directors of said corporation authorizing or ratifying the execution of this Agreement.

**D.34 CONFLICT OF INTEREST.**

**D.34.1 LEGAL COMPLIANCE.** CONTRACTOR agrees at all times in performance of this Agreement to comply with the law of the State of California regarding conflicts of interest, including, but not limited to, Article 4 of Chapter 1, Division 4, Title 1 of the *California Government Code*, commencing with Section 1090, and Chapter 7 of Title 9 of said Code, commencing with Section 87100, including regulations promulgated by the California Fair Political Practices Commission.

**D.34.2 ADVISEMENT.** CONTRACTOR agrees that if any facts come to its attention which raise any questions as to the applicability of this law, it will immediately inform the COUNTY designated representative and provide all information needed for resolution of the question.

**D.34.3 ADMONITION.** Without limitation of the covenants in subparagraphs D.34.1 and D.34.2, CONTRACTOR is admonished hereby as follows:

The statutes, regulations and laws referenced in this provision D.34 include, but are not limited to, a prohibition against any public officer, including CONTRACTOR for this purpose, from making any decision on behalf of COUNTY in which such officer has a direct or indirect financial interest. A violation occurs if the public officer influences or participates in any COUNTY decision which has the potential to confer any pecuniary benefit on CONTRACTOR or any business firm in which CONTRACTOR has an interest of any type, with certain narrow exceptions.

**D.35 NONDISCRIMINATION.** During the performance of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall not unlawfully discriminate against any employee of the CONTRACTOR or of the COUNTY or applicant for employment or for services or any member of the public because of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, age or sex. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that in the provision of services under this Agreement, its employees and applicants for employment and any member of the public are free from such discrimination. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (*Government Code* Section 12900 et seq.). The applicable regulations of the Fair Employment Housing

Commission implementing *Government Code* Section 12900, set forth in Chapter 5, Division 4 of Title 2 of the California *Administrative Code* are incorporated into this Agreement by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full.

CONTRACTOR shall also abide by the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 and all amendments thereto, and all administrative rules and regulation issued pursuant to said Act. CONTRACTOR shall give written notice of its obligations under this clause to any labor agreement. CONTRACTOR shall include the non-discrimination and compliance provision of this paragraph in all subcontracts to perform work under this Agreement.

**D.36 DRUG-FREE WORK PLACE.** By signing this contract the County certifies that the County will comply, and require that subcontractors comply, with the requirement of the Drug-Free Work Place Act of 1990 (*Government Code* Section 8350 et seq.) and will provide a drug-free work place.

**D.37 JOINT AND SEVERAL LIABILITY.** If any party consists of more than one person or entity, the liability of each person or entity signing this Agreement shall be joint and several.

**D.38 TAXPAYER I.D. NUMBER.** The COUNTY shall not disburse any payments to CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement until CONTRACTOR supplies the latter's Taxpayer I.D. Number or Social Security Number (as required on the line under CONTRACTOR's signature on page 2 of this Agreement).

**D.39 NOTICES.** All notices and demands of any kind which either party may require or desire to serve on the other in connection with this Agreement must be served in writing either by personal service or by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, and shall be deposited in the United States Mail, with postage thereon fully prepaid, and addressed to the party so to be served as follows:

If to "COUNTY":  
Board of Supervisors  
County of Sierra  
Post Office Drawer D  
Downieville, CA 95936

With a copy to:  
Sierra County Human Services  
P.O. Box 265  
Loyalton, CA 96118

If to "CONTRACTOR":  
WellSpace Health  
A. Jonathan Porteus, PhD  
Chief Executive Officer  
1500 Expo Parkway  
Sacramento, CA 95815



**SIERRA COUNTY**

**Business Associates Agreement**

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This Agreement is entered into this 1st day of July, 2024, by and between the County of Sierra doing business by and through the Sierra County Department of Health and Human Services (collectively referred to herein as the "County" and WellSpace Health, referred to herein as the "Business Associate")

**Recitals**

**WHEREAS**, County has heretofore or contemporaneously with the execution of this Agreement entered into an Agreement for Professional Services (the "Professional Services Agreement") whereby Business Associate provides certain services to County and its clients and citizens which involves the access and use of certain information pertaining to individuals which information is required to be kept confidential and protected under the provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-101 (referred to herein as "HIPAA") and the regulations adopted pursuant to the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Professional Services Agreement County will make available and/or transfer to Business Associate, and/or Business Associate will generate or otherwise access confidential, personally identifiable health information in conjunction with services delivered on behalf of the County; and

**WHEREAS**, such information may be used or disclosed only in accordance with HIPAA and the applicable regulations [including without limitation, 45 CFR §§ 164.502(e); 164.504(e)] issued pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act [42 USC §§ 1320 – 1320d-8] and the terms of this Agreement, or more stringent provisions of the law of the State of California.

**NOW THEREFORE**, In consideration of the obligations, benefits and compensation provided to Business Associate under the provisions of the Professional Services Agreement and in order to ensure that said Agreement remains valid and complies with HIPAA, the parties agree as follows:

1. As used herein and with reference to the obligations under HIPAA, Protected Health Information ("PHI") shall mean individually identifiable health information including, without limitation, all information, data, documentation, and materials of any nature or form, including without limitation, demographic, medical and financial information, that relates to the past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition of an individual; the provision of health care to an individual; or the past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual; and that identifies the individual or with respect to which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual. PHI shall include but not be limited to individually identifiable information received from or on behalf of the County as more fully defined in 45 CFR § 164.501, and any amendments thereto.
2. County shall provide to Business Associate a copy of the current Notice of Privacy Practices and any relevant information on changes to or agreed upon restrictions relating to legal permissions for the use or disclosure of PHI.
3. Business Associate agrees that it shall not receive, create, use or disclose PHI except as follows:
  - a. (1)solely for meeting its obligations as set forth in the Professional Services Agreement and any other agreements between the Parties evidencing their business relationship or  
(2) as required by applicable law, rule or regulation, or by accrediting or credentialing organization to whom Covered Entity is required to disclose such information or as otherwise permitted under this Agreement, the Arrangement Agreement (if consistent

- with this Agreement and the HIPAA Privacy Rule), or the HIPAA Privacy Rule, and (3) as would be permitted by the HIPAA Privacy Rule if such use or disclosure were made by Covered Entity;
- b. If necessary for the proper management and administration of Business Associate or to carry out legal responsibilities of Business Associate, PHI may only be disclosed to another person/entity for such purposes if:
    - Disclosure is required by law; or
    - Where Business Associate obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom disclosure is made that the PHI released will be held confidentially, and only may be used or further disclosed as required by law or for the purpose for which it was disclosed to the person, and the person notifies Business Associate of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached; and
    - Person agrees to notify Business Associate of any breaches of confidentiality;
  - c. To permit Business Associate to provide data aggregation services relating to the health care operations of the County.
4. Business Associate and County agree that neither of them will request, use or release more than the minimum amount of PHI necessary to accomplish the purpose of the use, disclosure or request.
  5. Business Associate will establish and maintain appropriate safeguards to prevent any unauthorized use or disclosure of PHI.
  6. Business Associate agrees that it shall immediately report to County any unauthorized uses/disclosures of which it becomes aware, and shall take all reasonable steps to mitigate the potentially harmful effects of such breach.
  7. Business Associate hereby indemnifies County and agrees to hold County harmless from and against any and all losses, expense, damage or injury that County may sustain as a result of, or arising out of, Business Associate's, or its agent's or subAgreementor's, unauthorized use or disclosure of PHI.
  8. Business Associate shall carry comprehensive general liability insurance.
  9. Business Associate shall ensure that all of its subcontractors and agents are bound by the same restrictions and obligations contained herein whenever PHI is made accessible to such subcontractors or agents, and shall give prior notice to County of any subcontractors or agents who are to be given access to PHI.
  10. Business Associate shall make all PHI and related information in its possession available as follows:
    - a. To the individual or his/her personal representative or to the County, to the extent necessary to permit County to fulfill any obligation to allow access for inspection and copying in accordance with the provisions of 45 CFR § 164.524 and any subsequent amendments to the regulations;
    - b. To the individual or his/her personal representative or to the County, to the extent necessary to permit County to fulfill any obligation to account for disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.528 and any subsequent amendments to the regulations.
  11. Business Associate shall make PHI available to County to fulfill County's obligation to amend PHI and related information in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.526, and shall, as directed by County, incorporate any amendments or related statements into the information held by Business Associate and any subcontractors or agents.

12. Business Associate agrees to make its internal practices, books and records relating to the use or disclosure of information received from or on behalf of County available to the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services, or the Secretary's designee, for purposes of determining compliance with the privacy regulations, and any amendments thereto.
13. Upon termination of this Agreement, Business Associate agrees, at the option of County, to return or destroy all PHI created or received from or on behalf of County. Business Associate agrees that it will not retain any copies of PHI except as required by law. If PHI is destroyed, Business Associate agrees to provide County with appropriate documentation/certification evidencing such destruction. If return or destruction of all PHI, and all copies of PHI, is not feasible, Business Associate agrees to extend the protections of this Agreement to such information for as long as it is maintained. Termination of this Agreement shall not affect any of its provisions that, by wording or nature, are intended to remain effective and to continue in operation.
14. The PHI and any related information created or received from or on behalf of County is and shall remain the property of the County. Business Associate agrees that it acquires no title in or rights to the information, including any de-identified information.
15. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, County shall have the right to immediately terminate the Professional Services Agreement or any other agreement between the parties if County determines that Business Associate has violated any material term of this Agreement. If County reasonably believes that Business Associate will violate a material term of this Agreement and, where practicable, County gives written notice to Business Associate of such belief within a reasonable time after forming such belief, and Business Associate fails to provide adequate written assurances to County that it will not breach the cited term of this Agreement within a reasonable period of time given the specific circumstances, but in any event, before the threatened breach is to occur, then County shall have the right to immediately terminate the Professional Services Agreement or any other agreement between the parties. In the event of termination as described in this Paragraph, County shall have the right to contract for replacement service through another entity or provider, with Business Associate responsible for paying any difference in cost.
16. Notwithstanding any rights or remedies under this Agreement or provided by law, County retains all rights to seek injunctive relief to prevent or stop the unauthorized use or disclosure of PHI by Business Associate, any of its subcontractors or agents, or any third party who has received PHI from Business Associate.
17. This Agreement shall be binding on the parties and their successor, but neither party may assign the agreement without the prior written consent of the other, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.
18. The obligations to safeguard the confidentiality and security of PHI imposed herein shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
19. Any ambiguities in this Agreement shall be resolved in favor of an interpretation that promotes compliance with HIPAA and regulations promulgated thereunder. The parties agree that any modifications to those laws shall modify the obligations of the parties hereunder without the need for formal amendment of the Agreement. Any other amendments to this Agreement shall not be effective without the written agreement of both parties.
20. Any notice to the other party pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed provided if sent by first class United States mail, postage prepaid, as follows:

To County: County of Sierra  
Department of Human Services  
P.O. Box 265  
Loyalton, CA 96118

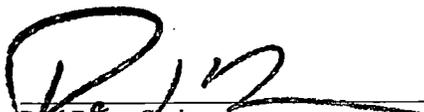
To Contractor: WellSpace Health  
A. Jonathan Porteus, PhD  
1500 Expo Parkway  
Sacramento, CA 95815

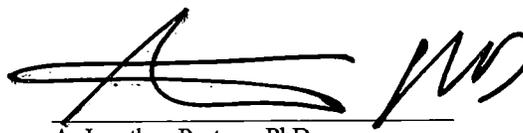
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the day here first above written.

“COUNTY”

“CONTRACTOR”

COUNTY OF SIERRA

  
Paul Roen, Chair  
Sierra County Board of Supervisors

  
A. Jonathan Porteus, PhD  
Chief Executive Officer  
WellSpace Health

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Heather Foster  
Clerk of the Board

  
Rhett Vander Ploeg  
County Counsel

## Special Terms and Conditions

### Federal Equal Opportunity Requirements

(Applicable to all federally funded agreements entered into by the Department of Health Care Services)

- a. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, physical or mental handicap, disability, age or status as a disabled veteran or veteran of the Vietnam era. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that qualified applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, physical or mental handicap, disability, age or status as a disabled veteran or veteran of the Vietnam era. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and career development opportunities and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Federal Government or DHCS, setting forth the provisions of the Equal Opportunity clause, Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the affirmative action clause required by the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974 (38 U.S.C. 4212). Such notices shall state the Contractor's obligation under the law to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified applicants without discrimination based on their race, color, religion, sex, national origin physical or mental handicap, disability, age or status as a disabled veteran or veteran of the Vietnam era and the rights of applicants and employees.
- b. The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advancements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin physical or mental handicap, disability, age or status as a disabled veteran or veteran of the Vietnam era.
- c. The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding a notice, to be provided by the Federal Government or the State, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under the provisions herein and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- d. The Contractor will comply with all provisions of and furnish all information and reports required by Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974 (38 U.S.C. 4212) and of the Federal Executive Order No. 11246 as amended, including by Executive Order 11375, 'Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,' and as supplemented by regulation at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of the Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- e. The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Federal Executive Order No. 11246 as amended, including by Executive Order 11375, 'Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,' and as supplemented by regulation at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal

Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to its books, records, and accounts by the State and its designated representatives and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

f. In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the requirements of the provisions herein or with any federal rules, regulations, or orders which are referenced herein, this Agreement may be cancelled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further federal and state contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Federal Executive Order No. 11246 as amended and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Federal Executive Order No. 11246 as amended, including by Executive Order 11375, 'Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,' and as supplemented by regulation at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

g. The Contractor will include the provisions of Paragraphs a through g in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to Federal Executive Order No. 11246 as amended, including by Executive Order 11375, 'Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,' and as supplemented by regulation at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," or Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or (38 U.S.C. 4212) of the Vietnam Era Veteran's Readjustment Assistance Act, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs or DHCS may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance provided, however, that in the event the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by DHCS, the Contractor may request in writing to DHCS, who, in turn, may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the State and of the United States.

#### **Travel and Per Diem Reimbursement**

(Applicable if travel and/or per diem expenses are reimbursed with agreement funds.)

Reimbursement for travel and per diem expenses from DHCS under this Agreement shall, unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, be at the rates currently in effect, as established by the California Department of Human Resources (CalHR), for nonrepresented state employees as stipulated in DHCS' Travel Reimbursement Information Exhibit. If the CalHR rates change during the term of the Agreement, the new rates shall apply upon their effective date and no amendment to this Agreement shall be necessary. Exceptions to CalHR rates may be approved by DHCS upon the submission of a statement by the Contractor indicating that such rates are not available to the Contractor. No travel outside the State of California shall be reimbursed without prior authorization from DHCS. Verbal authorization should be confirmed in writing. Written authorization may be in a form including fax or email confirmation.

## **Procurement Rules**

(Applicable to agreements in which equipment/property, commodities and/or supplies are furnished by DHCS or expenses for said items are reimbursed by DHCS with state or federal funds provided under the Agreement.)

### **a. Equipment/Property definitions**

Wherever the term equipment and/or property is used, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) **Major equipment/property:** A tangible or intangible item having a base unit cost of \$5,000 or more with a life expectancy of one (1) year or more and is either furnished by DHCS or the cost is reimbursed through this Agreement. Software and videos are examples of intangible items that meet this definition.

(2) **Minor equipment/property:** A tangible item having a base unit cost of less than \$5,000 with a life expectancy of one (1) year or more and is either furnished by DHCS or the cost is reimbursed through this Agreement.

**b. Government and public entities** (including state colleges/universities and auxiliary organizations), whether acting as a contractor and/or subcontractor, may secure all commodities, supplies, equipment and services related to such purchases that are required in performance of this Agreement. Said procurements are subject to Paragraphs d through h of Provision 3. Paragraph c of Provision 3 shall also apply, if equipment/property purchases are delegated to subcontractors that are nonprofit organizations or commercial businesses.

**c. Nonprofit organizations and commercial businesses**, whether acting as a contractor and/or subcontractor, may secure commodities, supplies, equipment/property and services related to such purchases for performance under this Agreement.

(1) Equipment/property purchases shall not exceed \$50,000 annually.

To secure equipment/property above the annual maximum limit of \$50,000, the Contractor shall make arrangements through the appropriate DHCS Program Contract Manager, to have all remaining equipment/property purchased through DHCS' Purchasing Unit. The cost of equipment/property purchased by or through DHCS shall be deducted from the funds available in this Agreement. Contractor shall submit to the DHCS Program Contract Manager a list of equipment/property specifications for those items that the State must procure. DHCS may pay the vendor directly for such arranged equipment/property purchases and title to the equipment/property will remain with DHCS. The equipment/property will be delivered to the Contractor's address, as stated on the face of the Agreement, unless the Contractor notifies the DHCS Program Contract Manager, in writing, of an alternate delivery address.

(2) All equipment/property purchases are subject to Paragraphs d through h of Provision 3. Paragraph b of Provision 3 shall also apply, if equipment/property purchases are delegated to subcontractors that are either a government or public entity.

(3) Nonprofit organizations and commercial businesses shall use a procurement system that meets the following standards:

(a) Maintain a code or standard of conduct that shall govern the performance of its officers, employees, or agents engaged in awarding procurement contracts. No employee, officer, or agent shall participate in the selection, award, or administration of a procurement, or bid contract in which, to his or her knowledge, he or she has a financial interest.

(b) Procurements shall be conducted in a manner that provides, to the maximum extent practical, open, and free competition.

(c) Procurements shall be conducted in a manner that provides for all of the following:

[1] Avoid purchasing unnecessary or duplicate items.

[2] Equipment/property solicitations shall be based upon a clear and accurate description of the technical requirements of the goods to be procured.

[3] Take positive steps to utilize small and veteran owned businesses.

d. Unless waived or otherwise stipulated in writing by DHCS, prior written authorization from the appropriate DHCS Program Contract Manager will be required before the Contractor will be reimbursed for any purchase of \$5,000 or more for commodities, supplies, equipment/property, and services related to such purchases. The Contractor must provide in its request for authorization all particulars necessary, as specified by DHCS, for evaluating the necessity or desirability of incurring such costs. The term "purchase" excludes the purchase of services from a subcontractor and public utility services at rates established for uniform applicability to the general public.

e. In special circumstances, determined by DHCS (e.g., when DHCS has a need to monitor certain purchases, etc.), DHCS may require prior written authorization and/or the submission of paid vendor receipts for any purchase, regardless of dollar amount. DHCS reserves the right to either deny claims for reimbursement or to request repayment for any Contractor and/or subcontractor purchase that DHCS determines to be unnecessary in carrying out performance under this Agreement.

f. The Contractor and/or subcontractor must maintain a copy or narrative description of the procurement system, guidelines, rules, or regulations that will be used to make purchases under this Agreement. The State reserves the right to request a copy of these documents and to inspect the purchasing practices of the Contractor and/or subcontractor at any time.

g. For all purchases, the Contractor and/or subcontractor must maintain copies of all paid vendor invoices, documents, bids and other information used in vendor selection, for inspection or audit. Justifications supporting the absence of bidding (i.e., sole source purchases) shall also be maintained on file by the Contractor and/or subcontractor for inspection or audit.

h. DHCS may, with cause (e.g., with reasonable suspicion of unnecessary purchases or use of inappropriate purchase practices, etc.), withhold, cancel, modify, or retract the delegated purchase authority granted under Paragraphs b and/or c of Provision 3 by giving the Contractor no less than 30 calendar days written notice.

**Equipment/Property Ownership / Inventory / Disposition**

(Applicable to agreements in which equipment/property is furnished by DHCS and/or when said items are purchased or reimbursed by DHCS with state or federal funds provided under the Agreement.)

- a. Wherever the term equipment and/or property is used in Provision 4, the definitions in Paragraph a of Provision 3 shall apply.

Unless otherwise stipulated in this Agreement, all equipment and/or property that is purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under the terms of this Agreement shall be considered state equipment and the property of DHCS.

- (1) Reporting of Equipment/Property Receipt - DHCS requires the reporting, tagging and annual inventorying of all equipment and/or property that is furnished by DHCS or purchased/reimbursed with funds provided through this Agreement.

Upon receipt of equipment and/or property, the Contractor shall report the receipt to the DHCS Program Contract Manager. To report the receipt of said items and to receive property tags, Contractor shall use a form or format designated by DHCS' Asset Management Unit. If the appropriate form (i.e., Contractor Equipment Purchased with DHCS Funds) does not accompany this Agreement, Contractor shall request a copy from the DHCS Program Contract Manager.

- (2) Annual Equipment/Property Inventory - If the Contractor enters into an agreement with a term of more than twelve months, the Contractor shall submit an annual inventory of state equipment and/or property to the DHCS Program Contract Manager using a form or format designated by DHCS' Asset Management Unit. If an inventory report form (i.e., Inventory/Disposition of DHCS-Funded Equipment) does not accompany this Agreement, Contractor shall request a copy from the DHCS Program Contract Manager. Contractor shall:

- (a) Include in the inventory report, equipment and/or property in the Contractor's possession and/or in the possession of a subcontractor (including independent consultants).

- (b) Submit the inventory report to DHCS according to the instructions appearing on the inventory form or issued by the DHCS Program Contract Manager.

- (c) Contact the DHCS Program Contract Manager to learn how to remove, trade-in, sell, transfer or survey off, from the inventory report, expired equipment and/or property that is no longer wanted, usable or has passed its life expectancy. Instructions will be supplied by either the DHCS Program Contract Manager or DHCS' Asset Management Unit.

- b. Title to state equipment and/or property shall not be affected by its incorporation or attachment to any property not owned by the State.

- c. Unless otherwise stipulated, DHCS shall be under no obligation to pay the cost of restoration, or rehabilitation of the Contractor's and/or Subcontractor's facility which may be affected by the removal of any state equipment and/or property.

d. The Contractor and/or Subcontractor shall maintain and administer a sound business program for ensuring the proper use, maintenance, repair, protection, insurance and preservation of state equipment and/or property.

(1) In administering this provision, DHCS may require the Contractor and/or Subcontractor to repair or replace, to DHCS' satisfaction, any damaged, lost or stolen state equipment and/or property. In the event of state equipment and/or miscellaneous property theft, Contractor and/or Subcontractor shall immediately file a theft report with the appropriate police agency or the California Highway Patrol and Contractor shall promptly submit one copy of the theft report to the DHCS Program Contract Manager.

e. Unless otherwise stipulated by the Program funding this Agreement, equipment and/or property purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under the terms of this Agreement, shall only be used for performance of this Agreement or another DHCS agreement.

f. Within sixty (60) calendar days prior to the termination or end of this Agreement, the Contractor shall provide a final inventory report of equipment and/or property to the DHCS Program Contract Manager and shall, at that time, query DHCS as to the requirements, including the manner and method, of returning state equipment and/or property to DHCS. Final disposition of equipment and/or property shall be at DHCS expense and according to DHCS instructions. Equipment and/or property disposition instructions shall be issued by DHCS immediately after receipt of the final inventory report. At the termination or conclusion of this Agreement, DHCS may at its discretion, authorize the continued use of state equipment and/or property for performance of work under a different DHCS agreement.

**g. Motor Vehicles**

(Applicable only if motor vehicles are purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under this Agreement.)

(1) If motor vehicles are purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under the terms of this Agreement, within thirty (30) calendar days prior to the termination or end of this Agreement, the Contractor and/or Subcontractor shall return such vehicles to DHCS and shall deliver all necessary documents of title or registration to enable the proper transfer of a marketable title to DHCS.

(2) If motor vehicles are purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under the terms of this Agreement, the State of California shall be the legal owner of said motor vehicles and the Contractor shall be the registered owner. The Contractor and/or a subcontractor may only use said vehicles for performance and under the terms of this Agreement.

(3) The Contractor and/or Subcontractor agree that all operators of motor vehicles, purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under the terms of this Agreement, shall hold a valid State of California driver's license. In the event that ten or more passengers are to be transported in any one vehicle, the operator shall also hold a State of California Class B driver's license.

(4) If any motor vehicle is purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under the terms of this Agreement, the Contractor and/or Subcontractor, as applicable, shall provide, maintain, and certify that, at a minimum, the following type and amount of automobile liability insurance is in

effect during the term of this Agreement or any extension period during which any vehicle remains in the Contractor's and/or Subcontractor's possession:

**Automobile Liability Insurance**

- (a) The Contractor, by signing this Agreement, hereby certifies that it possesses or will obtain automobile liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage combined. Said insurance must be obtained and made effective upon the delivery date of any motor vehicle, purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under the terms of this Agreement, to the Contractor and/or Subcontractor.
- (b) The Contractor and/or Subcontractor shall, as soon as practical, furnish a copy of the certificate of insurance to the DHCS Program Contract Manager. The certificate of insurance shall identify the DHCS contract or agreement number for which the insurance applies.
- (c) The Contractor and/or Subcontractor agree that bodily injury and property damage liability insurance, as required herein, shall remain in effect at all times during the term of this Agreement or until such time as the motor vehicle is returned to DHCS.
- (d) The Contractor and/or Subcontractor agree to provide, at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date of said insurance coverage, a copy of a new certificate of insurance evidencing continued coverage, as indicated herein, for not less than the remainder of the term of this Agreement, the term of any extension or continuation thereof, or for a period of not less than one (1) year.
- (e) The Contractor and/or Subcontractor, if not a self-insured government and/or public entity, must provide evidence, that any required certificates of insurance contain the following provisions:
- [1] The insurer will not cancel the insured's coverage without giving thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice to the State (California Department of Health Care Services).
  - [2] The State of California, its officers, agents, employees, and servants are included as additional insureds, but only with respect to work performed for the State under this Agreement and any extension or continuation of this Agreement.
  - [3] The insurance carrier shall notify the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), in writing, of the Contractor's failure to pay premiums; its cancellation of such policies; or any other substantial change, including, but not limited to, the status, coverage, or scope of the required insurance. Such notices shall contain a reference to each agreement number for which the insurance was obtained.
- (f) The Contractor and/or Subcontractor is hereby advised that copies of certificates of insurance may be subject to review and approval by the Department of General Services (DGS), Office of Risk and Insurance Management. The Contractor shall be notified by DHCS, in writing, if this provision is applicable to this Agreement. If DGS approval of the certificate of insurance is required, the Contractor agrees that no work or services shall be performed prior to obtaining said approval.
- (g) In the event the Contractor and/or Subcontractor fails to keep insurance coverage, as required herein, in effect at all times during vehicle possession, DHCS may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, terminate this Agreement upon the occurrence of such event.

### **Subcontract Requirements**

(Applicable to agreements under which services are to be performed by subcontractors including independent consultants.)

a. Prior written authorization will be required before the Contractor enters into or is reimbursed for any subcontract for services costing \$5,000 or more. Except as indicated in Paragraph a(3) herein, when securing subcontracts for services exceeding \$5,000, the Contractor shall obtain at least three bids or justify a sole source award.

(1) The Contractor must provide in its request for authorization, all information necessary for evaluating the necessity or desirability of incurring such cost.

(2) DHCS may identify the information needed to fulfill this requirement.

(3) Subcontracts performed by the following entities or for the service types listed below are exempt from the bidding and sole source justification requirements:

(a) A local governmental entity or the federal government,

(b) A State college or State university from any State,

(c) A Joint Powers Authority,

(d) An auxiliary organization of a California State University or a California community college,

(e) A foundation organized to support the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges,

(f) An auxiliary organization of the Student Aid Commission established under Education Code § 69522,

(g) Firms or individuals proposed for use and approved by DHCS' funding Program via acceptance of an application or proposal for funding or pre/post contract award negotiations,

(h) Entities and/or service types identified as exempt from advertising and competitive bidding in State Contracting Manual Chapter 5 Section 5.80 Subsection B.2. View this publication at the following Internet address: <https://www.dgs.ca.gov/OLS/Resources/Page-Content/Office-of-Legal-Services-Resources-List-Folder/State-Contracting>

b. DHCS reserves the right to approve or disapprove the selection of subcontractors and with advance written notice, require the substitution of subcontractors and require the Contractor to terminate subcontracts entered into in support of this Agreement.

(1) Upon receipt of a written notice from DHCS requiring the substitution and/or termination of a subcontract, the Contractor shall take steps to ensure the completion of any work in progress and select a replacement, if applicable, within 30 calendar days, unless a longer period is agreed to by DHCS.

c. Actual subcontracts (i.e., written agreement between the Contractor and a subcontractor) of \$5,000 or more are subject to the prior review and written approval of DHCS. DHCS may, at its discretion, elect to waive this right. All such waivers shall be confirmed in writing by DHCS.

d. Contractor shall maintain a copy of each subcontract entered into in support of this Agreement and shall, upon request by DHCS, make copies available for approval, inspection, or audit.

- e. DHCS assumes no responsibility for the payment of subcontractors used in the performance of this Agreement. Contractor accepts sole responsibility for the payment of subcontractors used in the performance of this Agreement.
- f. The Contractor is responsible for all performance requirements under this Agreement even though performance may be carried out through a subcontract.
- g. The Contractor shall ensure that all subcontracts for services include provision(s) requiring compliance with applicable terms and conditions specified in this Agreement.
- h. The Contractor agrees to include the following clause, relevant to record retention, in all subcontracts for services: "(Subcontractor Name) agrees to maintain and preserve, until three years after termination of (Agreement Number) and final payment from DHCS to the Contractor, to permit DHCS or any duly authorized representative, to have access to, examine or audit any pertinent books, documents, papers and records related to this subcontract and to allow interviews of any employees who might reasonably have information related to such records."
- i. Unless otherwise stipulated in writing by DHCS, the Contractor shall be the subcontractor's sole point of contact for all matters related to performance and payment under this Agreement.
- j. Contractor shall, as applicable, advise all subcontractors of their obligations pursuant to the following numbered provisions of this Exhibit: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 19, 20, 24, 32 and/or other numbered provisions herein that are deemed applicable.

#### **Income Restrictions**

Unless otherwise stipulated in this Agreement, the Contractor agrees that any refunds, rebates, credits, or other amounts (including any interest thereon) accruing to or received by the Contractor under this Agreement shall be paid by the Contractor to DHCS, to the extent that they are properly allocable to costs for which the Contractor has been reimbursed by DHCS under this Agreement.

#### **Audit and Record Retention**

(Applicable to agreements in excess of \$10,000.)

- a. The Contractor and/or Subcontractor shall maintain books, records, documents, and other evidence, accounting procedures and practices, sufficient to properly reflect all direct and indirect costs of whatever nature claimed to have been incurred in the performance of this Agreement, including any matching costs and expenses. The foregoing constitutes "records" for the purpose of this provision.
- b. The Contractor's and/or subcontractor's facility or office or such part thereof as may be engaged in the performance of this Agreement and his/her records shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection, audit, and reproduction.
- c. Contractor agrees that DHCS, the Department of General Services, the Bureau of State Audits, or their designated representatives including the Comptroller General of the United States shall have the right to review and to copy any records and supporting documentation pertaining to the performance of this Agreement. Contractor agrees to allow the auditor(s) access to such records during normal business hours and to allow interviews of any employees who might reasonably have information related to such records. Further, the Contractor agrees to include a similar right of the State to audit records and

interview staff in any subcontract related to performance of this Agreement. (GC 8546.7, CCR Title 2, Section 1896.77)

d. The Contractor and/or Subcontractor shall preserve and make available his/her records (1) for a period of three years from the date of final payment under this Agreement, and (2) for such longer period, if any, as is required by applicable statute, by any other provision of this Agreement, or by subparagraphs (1) or (2) below.

(1) If this Agreement is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be preserved and made available for a period of three years from the date of any resulting final settlement.

(2) If any litigation, claim, negotiation, audit, or other action involving the records has been started before the expiration of the three-year period, the records shall be retained until completion of the action and resolution of all issues which arise from it, or until the end of the regular threeyear period, whichever is later.

e. The Contractor and/or Subcontractor may, at its discretion, following receipt of final payment under this Agreement, reduce its accounts, books and records related to this Agreement to microfilm, computer disk, CD ROM, DVD, or other data storage medium. Upon request by an authorized representative to inspect, audit or obtain copies of said records, the Contractor and/or Subcontractor must supply or make available applicable devices, hardware, and/or software necessary to view, copy and/or print said records. Applicable devices may include, but are not limited to, microfilm readers and microfilm printers, etc.

f. The Contractor shall, if applicable, comply with the Single Audit Act and the audit requirements set forth in 2 C.F.R. § 200.501 (2014).

#### **Site Inspection**

The State, through any authorized representatives, has the right at all reasonable times to inspect or otherwise evaluate the work performed or being performed hereunder including subcontract supported activities and the premises in which it is being performed. If any inspection or evaluation is made of the premises of the Contractor or Subcontractor, the Contractor shall provide and shall require Subcontractors to provide all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safety and convenience of the authorized representatives in the performance of their duties. All inspections and evaluations shall be performed in such a manner as will not unduly delay the work.

#### **Termination**

##### **a. For Cause**

The State may terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part, and be relieved of any payments should the Contractor fail to perform the requirements of this Agreement at the time and in the manner herein provided. In the event of such termination, the State may proceed with the work in any manner deemed proper by the State. All costs to the State shall be deducted from any sum due the Contractor under this Agreement and the balance, if any, shall be paid to the Contractor upon demand. If this Agreement is terminated, in whole or in part, the State may

require the Contractor to transfer title, or in the case of licensed software, license, and deliver to the State any completed deliverables, partially completed deliverables, and any other materials, related to the terminated portion of the Contract, including but not limited to, computer programs, data files, user and operations manuals, system and program documentation, training programs related to the operation and maintenance of the system, and all information necessary for the reimbursement of any outstanding Medicaid claims. The State shall pay contract price for completed deliverables delivered and accepted and items the State requires the Contractor to transfer as described in this paragraph above.

**b. For Convenience**

The State retains the option to terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part, without cause, at the State's convenience, without penalty, provided that written notice has been delivered to the Contractor at least ninety (90) calendar days prior to such termination date. In the event of termination, in whole or in part, under this paragraph, the State may require the Contractor to transfer title, or in the case of licensed software, license, and deliver to the State any completed deliverables, partially completed deliverables, and any other materials related to the terminated portion of the contract including but not limited to, computer programs, data files, user and operations manuals, system and program documentation, training programs related to the operation and maintenance of the system, and all information necessary for the reimbursement of any outstanding Medicaid claims. The Contractor will be entitled to compensation upon submission of an invoice and proper proof of claim for the services and products satisfactorily rendered, subject to all payment provisions of the Agreement. Payment is limited to expenses necessarily incurred pursuant to this Agreement up to the date of termination.

**Intellectual Property Rights**

**a. Ownership**

(1) Except where DHCS has agreed in a signed writing to accept a license, DHCS shall be and remain, without additional compensation, the sole owner of any and all rights, title and interest in all Intellectual Property, from the moment of creation, whether or not jointly conceived, that are made, conceived, derived from, or reduced to practice by Contractor or DHCS and which result directly or indirectly from this Agreement.

(2) For the purposes of this Agreement, Intellectual Property means recognized protectable rights and interest such as: patents, (whether or not issued) copyrights, trademarks, service marks, applications for any of the foregoing, inventions, trade secrets, trade dress, logos, insignia, color combinations, slogans, moral rights, right of publicity, author's rights, contract and licensing rights, works, mask works, industrial design rights, rights of priority, know how, design flows, methodologies, devices, business processes, developments, innovations, good will and all other legal rights protecting intangible proprietary information as may exist now and/or here after come into existence, and all renewals and extensions, regardless of whether those rights arise under the laws of the United States, or any other state, country or jurisdiction.

(a) For the purposes of the definition of Intellectual Property, "works" means all literary works, writings and printed matter including the medium by which they are recorded or reproduced, photographs, art work, pictorial and graphic representations and works of a similar nature, film, motion pictures, digital

images, animation cells, and other audiovisual works including positives and negatives thereof, sound recordings, tapes, educational materials, interactive videos and any other materials or products created, produced, conceptualized and fixed in a tangible medium of expression. It includes preliminary and final products and any materials and information developed for the purposes of producing those final products. Works does not include articles submitted to peer review or reference journals or independent research projects.

(3) In the performance of this Agreement, Contractor will exercise and utilize certain of its Intellectual Property in existence prior to the effective date of this Agreement. In addition, under this Agreement, Contractor may access and utilize certain of DHCS' Intellectual Property in existence prior to the effective date of this Agreement. Except as otherwise set forth herein, Contractor shall not use any of DHCS' Intellectual Property now existing or hereafter existing for any purposes without the prior written permission of DHCS. Except as otherwise set forth herein, neither the Contractor nor DHCS shall give any ownership interest in or rights to its Intellectual Property to the other Party. If during the term of this Agreement, Contractor accesses any third-party Intellectual Property that is licensed to DHCS, Contractor agrees to abide by all license and confidentiality restrictions applicable to DHCS in the third-party's license agreement.

(4) Contractor agrees to cooperate with DHCS in establishing or maintaining DHCS' exclusive rights in the Intellectual Property, and in assuring DHCS' sole rights against third parties with respect to the Intellectual Property. If the Contractor enters into any agreements or subcontracts with other parties in order to perform this Agreement, Contractor shall require the terms of the Agreement(s) to include all Intellectual Property provisions. Such terms must include, but are not limited to, the subcontractor assigning and agreeing to assign to DHCS all rights, title and interest in Intellectual Property made, conceived, derived from, or reduced to practice by the subcontractor, Contractor or DHCS and which result directly or indirectly from this Agreement or any subcontract.

(5) Contractor further agrees to assist and cooperate with DHCS in all reasonable respects, and execute all documents and, subject to reasonable availability, give testimony and take all further acts reasonably necessary to acquire, transfer, maintain, and enforce DHCS' Intellectual Property rights and interests.

**b. Retained Rights / License Rights**

(1) Except for Intellectual Property made, conceived, derived from, or reduced to practice by Contractor or DHCS and which result directly or indirectly from this Agreement, Contractor shall retain title to all of its Intellectual Property to the extent such Intellectual Property is in existence prior to the effective date of this Agreement. Contractor hereby grants to DHCS, without additional compensation, a permanent, non-exclusive, royalty free, paid-up, worldwide, irrevocable, perpetual, non-terminable license to use, reproduce, manufacture, sell, offer to sell, import, export, modify, publicly and privately display/perform, distribute, and dispose Contractor's Intellectual Property with the right to sublicense through multiple layers, for any purpose whatsoever, to the extent it is incorporated in the Intellectual Property resulting from this Agreement, unless Contractor assigns all rights, title and interest in the Intellectual Property as set forth herein.

(2) Nothing in this provision shall restrict, limit, or otherwise prevent Contractor from using any ideas, concepts, know-how, methodology or techniques related to its performance under this Agreement, provided that Contractor's use does not infringe the patent, copyright, trademark rights, license or other

Intellectual Property rights of DHCS or third party, or result in a breach or default of any provisions of this Exhibit or result in a breach of any provisions of law relating to confidentiality.

**c. Copyright**

(1) Contractor agrees that for purposes of copyright law, all works [as defined in Paragraph a, subparagraph (2)(a) of this provision] of authorship made by or on behalf of Contractor in connection with Contractor's performance of this Agreement shall be deemed "works made for hire". Contractor further agrees that the work of each person utilized by Contractor in connection with the performance of this Agreement will be a "work made for hire," whether that person is an employee of Contractor or that person has entered into an agreement with Contractor to perform the work. Contractor shall enter into a written agreement with any such person that: (i) all work performed for Contractor shall be deemed a "work made for hire" under the Copyright Act and (ii) that person shall assign all right, title, and interest to DHCS to any work product made, conceived, derived from, or reduced to practice by Contractor or DHCS and which result directly or indirectly from this Agreement.

(2) All materials, including, but not limited to, visual works or text, reproduced or distributed pursuant to this Agreement that include Intellectual Property made, conceived, derived from, or reduced to practice by Contractor or DHCS and which result directly or indirectly from this Agreement, shall include DHCS' notice of copyright, which shall read in 3mm or larger typeface: "© [Enter Current Year e.g., 2010, etc.], California Department of Health Care Services. This material may not be reproduced or disseminated without prior written permission from the California Department of Health Care Services." This notice should be placed prominently on the materials and set apart from other matter on the page where it appears. Audio productions shall contain a similar audio notice of copyright.

**d. Patent Rights**

With respect to inventions made by Contractor in the performance of this Agreement, which did not result from research and development specifically included in the Agreement's scope of work, Contractor hereby grants to DHCS a license as described under Section b of this provision for devices or material incorporating, or made through the use of such inventions. If such inventions result from research and development work specifically included within the Agreement's scope of work, then Contractor agrees to assign to DHCS, without additional compensation, all its right, title and interest in and to such inventions and to assist DHCS in securing United States and foreign patents with respect thereto.

**e. Third-Party Intellectual Property**

Except as provided herein, Contractor agrees that its performance of this Agreement shall not be dependent upon or include any Intellectual Property of Contractor or third party without first: (i) obtaining DHCS' prior written approval; and (ii) granting to or obtaining for DHCS, without additional compensation, a license, as described in Section b of this provision, for any of Contractor's or thirdparty's Intellectual Property in existence prior to the effective date of this Agreement. If such a license upon the these terms is unattainable, and DHCS determines that the Intellectual Property should be included in or is required for Contractor's performance of this Agreement, Contractor shall obtain a license under terms acceptable to DHCS.

**f. Warranties**

(1) Contractor represents and warrants that:

(a) It is free to enter into and fully perform this Agreement.

(b) It has secured and will secure all rights and licenses necessary for its performance of this Agreement.

(c) Neither Contractor's performance of this Agreement, nor the exercise by either Party of the rights granted in this Agreement, nor any use, reproduction, manufacture, sale, offer to sell, import, export, modification, public and private display/performance, distribution, and disposition of the Intellectual Property made, conceived, derived from, or reduced to practice by Contractor or DHCS and which result directly or indirectly from this Agreement will infringe upon or violate any Intellectual Property right, non-disclosure obligation, or other proprietary right or interest of any third-party or entity now existing under the laws of, or hereafter existing or issued by, any state, the United States, or any foreign country. There is currently no actual or threatened claim by any such third party based on an alleged violation of any such right by Contractor.

(d) Neither Contractor's performance nor any part of its performance will violate the right of privacy of, or constitute a libel or slander against any person or entity.

(e) It has secured and will secure all rights and licenses necessary for Intellectual Property including, but not limited to, consents, waivers or releases from all authors of music or performances used, and talent (radio, television and motion picture talent), owners of any interest in and to real estate, sites, locations, property or props that may be used or shown.

(f) It has not granted and shall not grant to any person or entity any right that would or might derogate, encumber, or interfere with any of the rights granted to DHCS in this Agreement.

(g) It has appropriate systems and controls in place to ensure that state funds will not be used in the performance of this Agreement for the acquisition, operation or maintenance of computer software in violation of copyright laws.

(h) It has no knowledge of any outstanding claims, licenses or other charges, liens, or encumbrances of any kind or nature whatsoever that could affect in any way Contractor's performance of this Agreement.

(2) DHCS MAKES NO WARRANTY THAT THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RESULTING FROM THIS AGREEMENT DOES NOT INFRINGE UPON ANY PATENT, TRADEMARK, COPYRIGHT OR THE LIKE, NOW EXISTING OR SUBSEQUENTLY ISSUED.

**g. Intellectual Property Indemnity**

(1) Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless DHCS and its licensees and assignees, and its officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives, successors, and users of its products, ("Indemnitees") from and against all claims, actions, damages, losses, liabilities (or actions or proceedings with respect to any thereof), whether or not rightful, arising from any and all actions or claims by any third party or expenses related thereto (including, but not limited to, all legal expenses, court costs, and attorney's fees incurred in investigating, preparing, serving as a witness in, or defending against, any such claim, action, or proceeding, commenced or threatened) to which any of the Indemnitees may be subject, whether or not Contractor is a party to any pending or threatened litigation, which arise out of or are related to (i) the incorrectness or breach of any of the

representations, warranties, covenants or agreements of Contractor pertaining to Intellectual Property; or (ii) any Intellectual Property infringement, or any other type of actual or alleged infringement claim, arising out of DHCS' use, reproduction, manufacture, sale, offer to sell, distribution, import, export, modification, public and private performance/display, license, and disposition of the Intellectual Property made, conceived, derived from, or reduced to practice by Contractor or DHCS and which result directly or indirectly from this Agreement. This indemnity obligation shall apply irrespective of whether the infringement claim is based on a patent, trademark or copyright registration that issued after the effective date of this Agreement. DHCS reserves the right to participate in and/or control, at Contractor's expense, any such infringement action brought against DHCS.

(2) Should any Intellectual Property licensed by the Contractor to DHCS under this Agreement become the subject of an Intellectual Property infringement claim, Contractor will exercise its authority reasonably and in good faith to preserve DHCS' right to use the licensed Intellectual Property in accordance with this Agreement at no expense to DHCS. DHCS shall have the right to monitor and appear through its own counsel (at Contractor's expense) in any such claim or action. In the defense or settlement of the claim, Contractor may obtain the right for DHCS to continue using the licensed Intellectual Property; or, replace or modify the licensed Intellectual Property so that the replaced or modified Intellectual Property becomes noninfringing provided that such replacement or modification is functionally equivalent to the original licensed Intellectual Property. If such remedies are not reasonably available, DHCS shall be entitled to a refund of all monies paid under this Agreement, without restriction or limitation of any other rights and remedies available at law or in equity.

(3) Contractor agrees that damages alone would be inadequate to compensate DHCS for breach of any term of this Intellectual Property Exhibit by Contractor. Contractor acknowledges DHCS would suffer irreparable harm in the event of such breach and agrees DHCS shall be entitled to obtain equitable relief, including without limitation an injunction, from a court of competent jurisdiction, without restriction or limitation of any other rights and remedies available at law or in equity.

#### **h. Federal Funding**

In any agreement funded in whole or in part by the federal government, DHCS may acquire and maintain the Intellectual Property rights, title, and ownership, which results directly or indirectly from the Agreement; except as provided in 37 Code of Federal Regulations part 401.14; however, the federal government shall have a non-exclusive, nontransferable, irrevocable, paid-up license throughout the world to use, duplicate, or dispose of such Intellectual Property throughout the world in any manner for governmental purposes and to have and permit others to do so.

#### **i. Survival**

The provisions set forth herein shall survive any termination or expiration of this Agreement or any project schedule.

#### **Air or Water Pollution Requirements**

Any federally funded agreement and/or subcontract in excess of \$100,000 must comply with the following provisions unless said agreement is exempt by law.

- a. Government contractors agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 USC 7606) section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations.
- b. Institutions of higher education, hospitals, nonprofit organizations and commercial businesses agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.), as amended, and the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), as amended.

#### **Prior Approval of Training Seminars, Workshops or Conferences**

Contractor shall obtain prior DHCS approval of the location, costs, dates, agenda, instructors, instructional materials, and attendees at any reimbursable training seminar, workshop, or conference conducted pursuant to this Agreement and of any reimbursable publicity or educational materials to be made available for distribution. The Contractor shall acknowledge the support of the State whenever publicizing the work under this Agreement in any media. This provision does not apply to necessary staff meetings or training sessions held for the staff of the Contractor or Subcontractor to conduct routine business matters.

#### **Confidentiality of Information**

- a. The Contractor and its employees, agents, or subcontractors shall protect from unauthorized disclosure names and other identifying information concerning persons either receiving services pursuant to this Agreement or persons whose names or identifying information become available or are disclosed to the Contractor, its employees, agents, or subcontractors as a result of services performed under this Agreement, except for statistical information not identifying any such person.
- b. The Contractor and its employees, agents, or subcontractors shall not use such identifying information for any purpose other than carrying out the Contractor's obligations under this Agreement.
- c. The Contractor and its employees, agents, or subcontractors shall promptly transmit to the DHCS Program Contract Manager all requests for disclosure of such identifying information not emanating from the client or person.
- d. The Contractor shall not disclose, except as otherwise specifically permitted by this Agreement or authorized by the client, any such identifying information to anyone other than DHCS without prior written authorization from the DHCS Program Contract Manager, except if disclosure is required by State or Federal law.
- e. For purposes of this provision, identity shall include, but not be limited to name, identifying number, symbol, or other identifying particular assigned to the individual, such as finger or voice print or a photograph.
- f. As deemed applicable by DHCS, this provision may be supplemented by additional terms and conditions covering personal health information (PHI) or personal, sensitive, and/or confidential information (PSCI). Said terms and conditions will be outlined in one or more exhibits that will either be attached to this Agreement or incorporated into this Agreement by reference.

### **Financial and Compliance Audit Requirements**

- a. The definitions used in this provision are contained in Section 38040 of the Health and Safety Code, which by this reference is made a part hereof.
- b. Direct service contract means a contract or agreement for services contained in local assistance or subvention programs or both (see Health and Safety [H&S] Code Section 38020). Direct service contracts shall not include contracts, agreements, grants, or subventions to other governmental agencies or units of government nor contracts or agreements with regional centers or area agencies on aging (H&S Code Section 38030).
- c. The Contractor, as indicated below, agrees to obtain one of the following audits:
- (1) **If the Contractor is a nonprofit organization (as defined in H&S Code Section 38040) and receives \$25,000 or more from any State agency under a direct service contract or agreement;** the Contractor agrees to obtain an annual single, organization wide, financial and compliance audit. Said audit shall be conducted according to Generally Accepted Auditing Standards. This audit does not fulfill the audit requirements of Paragraph c(3) below. The audit shall be completed by the 15th day of the fifth month following the end of the Contractor's fiscal year, and/or
- (2) **If the Contractor is a nonprofit organization (as defined in H&S Code Section 38040) and receives less than \$25,000 per year from any State agency under a direct service contract or agreement,** the Contractor agrees to obtain a biennial single, organization wide financial and compliance audit, unless there is evidence of fraud or other violation of state law in connection with this Agreement. This audit does not fulfill the audit requirements of Paragraph c(3) below. The audit shall be completed by the 15th day of the fifth month following the end of the Contractor's fiscal year, and/or
- (3) **If the Contractor is a State or Local Government entity or Nonprofit organization (as defined by 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.64, 200.70, and 200.90) and expends \$750,000 or more in Federal awards,** the Contractor agrees to obtain an annual single, organization wide, financial and compliance audit according to the requirements specified in 2 C.F.R. 200.501 entitled "Audit Requirements". An audit conducted pursuant to this provision will fulfill the audit requirements outlined in Paragraphs c(1) and c(2) above. The audit shall be completed by the end of the ninth month following the end of the audit period. The requirements of this provision apply if:
- (a) The Contractor is a recipient expending Federal awards received directly from Federal awarding agencies, or
- (b) The Contractor is a subrecipient expending Federal awards received from a pass-through entity such as the State, County or community based organization.
- (4) If the Contractor submits to DHCS a report of an audit other than a 2 C.F.R. 200.501 audit, the Contractor must also submit a certification indicating the Contractor has not expended \$750,000 or more in federal funds for the year covered by the audit report.
- d. Two copies of the audit report shall be delivered to the DHCS program funding this Agreement. The audit report must identify the Contractor's legal name and the number assigned to this Agreement. The audit report shall be due within 30 days after the completion of the audit. Upon receipt of said audit report, the DHCS Program Contract Manager shall forward the audit report to DHCS' Audits and

Investigations Unit if the audit report was submitted under Section 16.c(3), unless the audit report is from a City, County, or Special District within the State of California whereby the report will be retained by the funding program.

e. The cost of the audits described herein may be included in the funding for this Agreement up to the proportionate amount this Agreement represents of the Contractor's total revenue. The DHCS program funding this Agreement must provide advance written approval of the specific amount allowed for said audit expenses.

f. The State or its authorized designee, including the Bureau of State Audits, is responsible for conducting agreement performance audits which are not financial and compliance audits. Performance audits are defined by Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards.

g. Nothing in this Agreement limits the State's responsibility or authority to enforce State law or regulations, procedures, or reporting requirements arising thereto.

h. Nothing in this provision limits the authority of the State to make audits of this Agreement, provided however, that if independent audits arranged for by the Contractor meet Generally Accepted Governmental Auditing Standards, the State shall rely on those audits and any additional audit work and shall build upon the work already done.

i. The State may, at its option, direct its own auditors to perform either of the audits described above. The Contractor will be given advance written notification, if the State chooses to exercise its option to perform said audits.

j. The Contractor shall include a clause in any agreement the Contractor enters into with the audit firm doing the single organization wide audit to provide access by the State or Federal Government to the working papers of the independent auditor who prepares the single organization wide audit for the Contractor.

k. Federal or state auditors shall have "expanded scope auditing" authority to conduct specific program audits during the same period in which a single organization wide audit is being performed, but the audit report has not been issued. The federal or state auditors shall review and have access to the current audit work being conducted and will not apply any testing or review procedures which have not been satisfied by previous audit work that has been completed.

The term "expanded scope auditing" is applied and defined in the U.S. General Accounting Office (GAO) issued Standards for Audit of Government Organizations, Programs, Activities and Functions, better known as the "yellow book".

#### **Debarment and Suspension Certification**

(Applicable to all agreements funded in part or whole with federal funds.)

a. By signing this Agreement, the Contractor/Grantee agrees to comply with applicable federal suspension and debarment regulations including, but not limited to 2 CFR 180, 2 CFR 376

b. By signing this Agreement, the Contractor certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

- (1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any federal department or agency;
  - (2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal/agreement been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, receiving stolen property, making false claims, obstruction of justice, or the commission of any other offense indicating a lack of business integrity or business honesty that seriously affects its business honesty;
  - (3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in Paragraph b(2) herein; and
  - (4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal/agreement had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.
  - (5) Have not, within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal/agreement, engaged in any of the violations listed under 2 CFR Part 180, Subpart C as supplemented by 2 CFR Part 376.
  - (6) Shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under federal regulations (i.e., 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4), debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in such transaction, unless authorized by the State.
  - (7) Will include a clause entitled, "Debarment and Suspension Certification" that essentially sets forth the provisions herein, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- c. If the Contractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, the Contractor shall submit an explanation to the DHCS Program Contract Manager.
- d. The terms and definitions herein have the meanings set out in 2 CFR Part 180 as supplemented by 2 CFR Part 376.
- e. If the Contractor knowingly violates this certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the DHCS may terminate this Agreement for cause or default.

#### **Smoke-Free Workplace Certification**

(Applicable to federally funded agreements/grants and subcontracts/subawards, that provide health, day care, early childhood development services, education or library services to children under 18 directly or through local governments.)

- a. Public Law 103-227, also known as the Pro-Children Act of 1994 (Act), requires that smoking not be permitted in any portion of any indoor facility owned or leased or contracted for by an entity and used routinely or regularly for the provision of health, day care, early childhood development services, education or library services to children under the age of 18, if the services are funded by federal programs either directly or through state or local governments, by federal grant, contract, loan, or loan guarantee. The law also applies to children's services that are provided in indoor facilities that are

constructed, operated, or maintained with such federal funds. The law does not apply to children's services provided in private residences; portions of facilities used for inpatient drug or alcohol treatment; service providers whose sole source of applicable federal funds is Medicare or Medicaid; or facilities where WIC coupons are redeemed.

b. Failure to comply with the provisions of the law may result in the imposition of a civil monetary penalty of up to \$1,000 for each violation and/or the imposition of an administrative compliance order on the responsible party.

c. By signing this Agreement, Contractor or Grantee certifies that it will comply with the requirements of the Act and will not allow smoking within any portion of any indoor facility used for the provision of services for children as defined by the Act. The prohibitions herein are effective December 26, 1994.

d. Contractor or Grantee further agrees that it will insert this certification into any subawards (subcontracts or subgrants) entered into that provide for children's services as described in the Act.

#### **Officials Not to Benefit**

No members of or delegate of Congress or the State Legislature shall be admitted to any share or part of this Agreement, or to any benefit that may arise therefrom. This provision shall not be construed to extend to this Agreement if made with a corporation for its general benefits.

#### **Public Communications**

"Electronic and printed documents developed and produced, for public communications shall follow the following requirements to comply with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act and the American with Disabilities Act:

A. Ensure visual-impaired, hearing-impaired and other special needs audiences are provided material information in formats that provide the most assistance in making informed choices."