

AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES #046-S0911

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered by and between the County of El Dorado, a political subdivision of the State of California (hereinafter referred to as "County") and Sierra Recovery Center, a California Corporation, duly qualified to conduct business in the State of California, whose principal place of business is 1137 Emerald Bay Road, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150, (hereinafter referred to as "Contractor");

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, County has determined that it is necessary to obtain a Contractor to provide services for the implementation and management of the South Lake Tahoe Homeless Program for the Mental Health Department (MHD); and

WHEREAS, Contractor has represented to County that it is specially trained, experienced, expert and competent to perform the special services required hereunder and County has determined to rely upon such representations; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the parties hereto that such services be in conformity with all applicable federal, state and local laws; and

WHEREAS, County has determined that the provision of these services provided by Contractor is in the public's best interest, and that these services are more economically and feasibly performed by outside independent Contractors as well as authorized by El Dorado County Charter, Section 210 (b) (6) and/or Government Code 31000;

NOW, THEREFORE, County and Contractor mutually agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

Scope of Services: Contractor agrees to provide personnel and services necessary to assist the El Dorado County MHD implement and manage a 24-hour, seven (7) day-a-week Homeless Program that shall include, but not be limited to, the services described below:

A. *Contractor Responsibilities*

1. Provide one (1) full-time Substance Abuse Specialist to be assigned to the South Lake Tahoe Homeless Program (hereinafter referred to as “SLT Homeless Program”).

The Substance Abuse Specialist assigned to the SLT Homeless Program shall be available during non-traditional hours as needed to provide intensive services to program participants consisting of substance abuse assessments of all program participants; identifying the substance abuse needs of participants; and recommending recommend substance abuse services and making referrals for participants..

Program participants served pursuant to this agreement may include persons in various stages of recovery and/or with a variety of mental illnesses.

2. Provide a six (6) bed dual diagnosis transitional home for program participants.
3. Provide alcohol and drug detoxification services for program participants.
4. Provide residential substance abuse treatment for program participants.
5. Provide referrals to and accept referrals from the SLT Homeless Program member agencies.
6. Make every effort to collaborate and coordinate services with agencies participating in the SLT Homeless Program including but not limited to: the Family Resource Center, South Lake Tahoe Police Department and the El Dorado County Sheriff, Veteran’s Services, Social Services, Courts, and Departments of Public Health and Mental Health.
7. Provide managerial, supervisory and clerical support for the SLT Homeless Program.
8. Participate in and collect data for the evaluation of the SLT Homeless Program.
9. Participate in ongoing strategic planning process.
10. Comply with relevant grant management protocols as required by the California Department of Mental Health.
11. Provide accounting of expended funds at the end of each budget cycle.

12. Perform all work in accordance with the SLT Homeless Program principals.
13. Keep records available to examination and audit for five (5) years after final payment.
14. Provide intensive outpatient treatment for program participants.

Meetings. Contractor will participate in periodic meetings with the County MHD for the purpose of reviewing the implementation of the program under this contract and will at all times cooperate in making data and information on the implementation of this contract accessible to MHD.

Reports and Data. Contractor shall collect and provide program implementation, financial, and related data and information on the activities conducted hereunder as may be requested by County. It is understood and agreed that County's access to, and Contractor's timely submission of program data is an essential element of this agreement. It is further understood and agreed that these requirements may be modified or updated by County from time to time, in writing.

B. County Responsibilities

1. Provide monthly payments for the provision of SLT Homeless Program services as described above.
2. Act as lead agency for the SLT Homeless Program in the area of fiscal management and project implementation.
3. Submit all summaries, programmatic, fiscal and evaluation reports to the California Department of Mental Health on behalf of the SLT Homeless Program.

ARTICLE II

Term: This Agreement shall become effective upon final execution by both parties hereto and shall cover the period of July 1, 2008 though December 31, 2008.

ARTICLE III

Compensation for Services: For services provided herein, County agrees to pay Contractor in arrears. Invoices shall detail costs for the following:

- Substance Abuse Specialist \$29.24 per hour
- Substance Abuse Residential Treatment (365 days maximum) \$85.00 per day
- Detox Treatment (90 days maximum) \$85.00 per day
- Dual Diagnosis Transitional House (5 participants) \$700.00 per month
- Intensive Outpatient \$65.00 per day
- House Manager \$500.00 per month

County agrees to reimburse Contractor for travel expenses in accordance with Exhibit "A", marked "Board of Supervisors Policy D-1", incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof. The Not to Exceed amount for travel expenses under this agreement is \$2,000.00.

The total amount of this agreement shall not exceed \$60,000.00, inclusive of all expenses.

Contractor shall submit monthly invoices no later than thirty (30) days following the end of a "service month". Failure to submit invoices within 30 days following the end of a service month may result in a significant delay in payment. For billing purposes, a "service month" shall be defined as a calendar month during which Contractor provides services in accordance with ARTICLE I, "Scope of Services".

Payment shall be made within forty five (45) days following the County's receipt and authorization of itemized invoice(s).

ARTICLE IV

HIPAA Compliance: All data, together with any knowledge otherwise acquired by Consultant during the performance of services provided pursuant to this Agreement, shall be treated by Consultant and Consultant's staff as confidential information. Consultant shall not disclose or use, directly or indirectly, at any time, any such confidential information. If the Consultant receives any individually identifiable health information ("Protected Health Information" or "PHI"), the Consultant shall maintain the security and confidentiality of such PHI as required by applicable laws and regulations, including the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA") and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

ARTICLE V

Debarment and Suspension Certification

By signing this agreement, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable federal suspension and debarment regulations including, but not limited to 7 CFR Part 3017, 45 CFR 76, or 34 CFR 85. By signing this agreement, the Contractor certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

- Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any federal department or agency;
- 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) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification of destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.
- 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

- 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.
- Shall not knowingly enter in to 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 transactions, unless authorized by the State.
- 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.

If the Contractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, the Contractor shall submit an explanation to County. The terms and definitions herein have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Federal Executive Order 12549, If the contractor knowingly violates this certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, County may terminate this agreement for cause or default.

ARTICLE VI

Mandated Reporter Requirements: Contractor acknowledges and agrees to comply with mandated reporter requirements pursuant to the provision of Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 11164) of Chapter 2 of Title 1 of Part 4 of the California Penal Code, also known as The Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act.

ARTICLE VII

Changes to Agreement: This Agreement may be amended by mutual consent of the parties hereto. Said amendments shall become effective only when in writing and fully executed by duly authorized officers of the parties hereto.

ARTICLE VIII

Contractor to County: It is understood that the services provided under this Agreement shall be prepared in and with cooperation from County and its staff. It is further agreed that in all matters pertaining to this Agreement, Contractor shall act as Contractor only to County and shall not act as Contractor to any other individual or entity affected by this Agreement nor provide information in any manner to any party outside of this Agreement that would conflict with Contractor's responsibilities to County during term hereof.

ARTICLE IX

Assignment and Delegation: Contractor is engaged by County for its unique qualifications and skills as well as those of its personnel. Contractor shall not subcontract, delegate or assign services to be provided, in whole or in part, to any other person or entity without prior written consent of County.

ARTICLE X

Independent Contractor/Liability: Contractor is, and shall be at all times, deemed independent and shall be wholly responsible for the manner in which it performs services required by terms of this Agreement. Contractor exclusively assumes responsibility for acts of its employees, associates, and subContractors, if any are authorized herein, as they relate to services to be provided under this Agreement during the course and scope of their employment.

Contractor shall be responsible for performing the work under this Agreement in a safe, professional, skillful and workmanlike manner and shall be liable for its own negligence and negligent acts of its employees. County shall have no right of control over the manner in which work is to be done and shall, therefore, not be charged with responsibility of preventing risk to Contractor or its employees.

ARTICLE XI

Fiscal Considerations: The parties to this Agreement recognize and acknowledge that County is a political subdivision of the State of California. As such, El Dorado County is subject to the provisions of Article XVI, Section 18 of the California Constitution and other similar fiscal and procurement laws and regulations and may not expend funds for products, equipment or services not budgeted in a given fiscal year. It is further understood that in the normal course of County business, County will adopt a proposed budget prior to a given fiscal year, but that the final adoption of a budget does not occur until after the beginning of the fiscal year.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, County shall give notice of cancellation of this Agreement in the event of adoption of a proposed budget that does not provide for funds for the services, products or equipment subject herein. Such notice shall become effective upon the adoption of a final budget which does not provide funding for this Agreement. Upon the effective date of such notice, this Agreement shall be automatically terminated and County released from any further liability hereunder.

In addition to the above, should the Board of Supervisors during the course of a given year for financial reasons reduce, or order a reduction, in the budget for any County department for which services were contracted to be performed, pursuant to this paragraph in the sole discretion of the County, this Agreement may be deemed to be canceled in its entirety subject to payment for services performed prior to cancellation.

ARTICLE XII

Default, Termination, and Cancellation:

- A. **Default:** Upon the occurrence of any default of the provisions of this Agreement, a party shall give written notice of said default to the party in default (notice). If the party in default does not cure the default within ten (10) days of the date of notice (time to cure), then such party shall be in default. The time to cure may be extended at the discretion of the party giving notice. Any extension of time to cure must be in writing, prepared by the party in default for signature by the party giving notice and must specify the reason(s) for the extension and the date on which the extension of time to cure expires.

Notice given under this section shall specify the alleged default and the applicable Agreement provision and shall demand that the party in default perform the provisions of this Agreement within the applicable period of time. No such notice shall be deemed a termination of this Agreement unless the party giving notice so elects in this notice, or the party giving notice so elects in a subsequent written notice after the time to cure has expired. In the event of termination for default, County reserves the right to take over and complete the work by contract or by any other means.

- B. Bankruptcy: This Agreement, at the option of the County, shall be terminable in the case of bankruptcy, voluntary or involuntary, or insolvency of Contractor.
- C. Ceasing Performance: County may terminate this Agreement in the event Contractor ceases to operate as a business, or otherwise becomes unable to substantially perform any term or condition of this Agreement.
- D. Termination or Cancellation without Cause: County may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part upon seven (7) calendar days written notice by County without cause. If such prior termination is effected, County will pay for satisfactory services rendered prior to the effective dates as set forth in the Notice of Termination provided to Contractor, and for such other services, which County may agree to in writing as necessary for contract resolution. In no event, however, shall County be obligated to pay more than the total amount of the contract. Upon receipt of a Notice of Termination, Contractor shall promptly discontinue all services affected, as of the effective date of termination set forth in such Notice of Termination, unless the notice directs otherwise.

ARTICLE XIII

Conflict of Interest: The parties to this Agreement have read and are aware of the provisions of Government Code Section 1090 et seq. and Section 87100 relating to conflict of interest of public officers and employees. Contractor attests that it has no current business or financial relationship with any County employee(s) that would constitute a conflict of interest with provision of services under this contract and shall not enter into any such business or financial relationship with any such employee(s) during the term of this Agreement. County represents that it is unaware of any financial or economic interest of any public officer or employee of Contractor relating to this Agreement. It is further understood and agreed that if such a financial interest does exist at the inception of this Agreement either party may immediately terminate this Agreement by giving written notice as detailed in the Article in the Agreement titled, "Default, Termination and Cancellation".

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ARTICLE XIV

Non-Discrimination: During the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor shall not unlawfully discriminate, harass or allow harassment, against any employee or applicant for employment because of sex, race, color, ancestry, religious creed, national origin, physical disability (including HIV and AIDS), mental disability, medical condition (cancer), age (over 40), marital status, and denial of family leave care. The Contractor shall ensure that the evaluation and treatment of their employees and applicants for employment are free from such discrimination and harassment. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code, Section 12900 et. seq.) and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (California Code of Regulations, Title 2). The applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Government Code Section 12990 (a-f), set forth in Chapter 5 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations are incorporated into this Agreement by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full. The Contractor shall give written notice of their obligations under this clause to labor organizations with which they have a collective bargaining or other agreement.

The Contractor shall comply with the following Provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC 2000), as amended by the Equal Opportunity Act of March 24, 1972 (Public Law 92-261); Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC 794), and all requirements imposed by the applicable Health and Human Services regulations (45 CFR, Part 84); and the American's with Disabilities Act.

ARTICLE XV

Confidentiality: Contractor shall protect from unauthorized disclosure names and other identifying information concerning person(s) receiving service(s) pursuant to this Agreement, except for statistical information not identifying any person(s). Contractor shall not use such information for any purpose other than carrying out Contractor's obligations under this Agreement. Contractor shall promptly transmit to County all requests for disclosure of such information not originating from the person(s). Contractor shall not disclose, except as otherwise specifically permitted by this Agreement or authorized by the person(s), any such information to anyone other than County, except when subpoenaed by a court. For the purpose of this paragraph identity shall include, but not be limited to, name, identifying number, symbol, or other identifying particular assigned to the person(s), such as fingerprint, voiceprint or photograph. If Contractor receives any individually identifiable health information ("Protected Health Information" or "PHI") from County or creates or receives any PHI on behalf of County, Contractor shall maintain the security and confidentiality of such PHI as required of County by applicable laws and regulations, including the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA") of 1996 and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

ARTICLE XVI

Compliance With Laws And Regulations. All services and activities provided pursuant to this Agreement shall be designed and delivered in compliance with all Federal statutes and regulations, State statutes and regulations, administrative codes and policies, and local ordinances and policies including but not limited to: confidentiality and security of information, non-discrimination statutes and/or regulations in the administration or delivery of services, in personnel practices, or in any other benefits under this Agreement.

Noncompliance with statutes and/or regulations described in this ARTICLE VII - Compliance with Laws and Regulations may be determined by County conducting its own review and making a determination regarding noncompliance or County may request a determination from the State or Federal agency charged with enforcing the specific statute or regulation. If County finds a violation and a State or Federal agency charged with enforcing the specific statute or regulation exists, Contractor may request that the agency charged with enforcement of the statute or regulation also conduct an investigation to determine whether a violation has occurred. If the State or Federal agency charged with enforcing the specific statute or regulation makes a finding that is contradictory to the finding of County, then the finding of the enforcing agency shall be binding.

ARTICLE XVII

Force Majeure: No party shall be in default if performance of any obligation hereunder is rendered impossible or impracticable solely by unforeseen and supervening conditions beyond such party's control, including acts of God, civil commotion, strikes, labor disputes, interruption of transportation, unavoidable accidents, or governmental demands or requirements. If Contractor's full performance is rendered impossible or impracticable, Contractor shall accept as full compensation a proportionate payment for work completed.

ARTICLE XVIII

Notice to Parties: All notices to be given by the parties hereto shall be in writing and served by depositing same in the United States Post Office, postage prepaid and return receipt requested. Notices to County shall be addressed as follows:

COUNTY OF EL DORADO
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
670 PLACERVILLE DRIVE, SUITE 3
PLACERVILLE, CA 95667
ATTN: SANDRA BRANTON, PROGRAM MANAGER

or to such other location as the County directs, with carbon copies to:

COUNTY OF EL DORADO
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTS DIVISION
330 FAIR LANE
PLACERVILLE, CA 95667
ATTN: BONNIE H. RICH, PURCHASING AGENT

COUNTY OF EL DORADO
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
670 PLACERVILLE DRIVE, SUITE 1B
PLACERVILLE, CA 95667
ATTN: CONTRACTS

Notices to Contractor shall be addressed as follows:

SIERRA RECOVERY CENTER.
1137 EMERALD BAY ROAD
SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, CA 96150
ATTN: BETSY FEDOR

or to such other location as the Contractor directs, with a carbon copy to:

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTS DIVISION
330 FAIR LANE
PLACERVILLE, CA 95667
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ARTICLE XIX

Indemnity: The Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold the County harmless against and from any and all claims, suits, losses, damages and liability for damages of every name, kind and description, including attorneys fees and costs incurred, brought for, or on account of, injuries to or death of any person, including but not limited to workers, County employees, and the public, or damage to property, or any economic or consequential losses, which are claimed to or in any way arise out of or are connected with the Contractor's services, operations, or performance hereunder, regardless of the existence or degree of fault or negligence on the part of the County, the Contractor, subContractor(s) and employee(s) of any of these, except for the sole, or active negligence of the County, its officers and employees, or as expressly prescribed by statute. This duty of Contractor to indemnify and save County harmless includes the duties to defend set forth in California Civil Code Section 2778.

ARTICLE XX

Insurance: Contractor shall provide proof of a policy of insurance satisfactory to the El Dorado County Risk Manager and documentation evidencing that Contractor maintains insurance that meets the following requirements:

- A. Full Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance covering all employees of Contractor as required by law in the State of California.
- B. Commercial General Liability Insurance of not less than \$1,000,000.00 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.
- C. Automobile Liability Insurance of not less than \$1,000,000.00 is required in the event motor vehicles are used by the Contractor in the performance of the Agreement.
- D. In the event Contractor is a licensed professional, and is performing professional services under this Agreement, professional liability (for example, malpractice insurance) is required with a limit of liability of not less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence.

- E. Contractor shall furnish a certificate of insurance satisfactory to the El Dorado County Risk Manager as evidence that the insurance required above is being maintained.
- F. The insurance will be issued by an insurance company acceptable to Risk Management, or be provided through partial or total self-insurance likewise acceptable to Risk Management.
- G. Contractor agrees that the insurance required above shall be in effect at all times during the term of this Agreement. In the event said insurance coverage expires at any time or times during the term of this Agreement, Contractor agrees to provide at least thirty (30) days prior to said expiration date, a new certificate of insurance evidencing insurance coverage as provided for herein for not less than the remainder of the term of the Agreement, or for a period of not less than one (1) year. New certificates of insurance are subject to the approval of Risk Management and Contractor agrees that no work or services shall be performed prior to the giving of such approval. In the event the Contractor fails to keep in effect at all times insurance coverage as herein provided, County may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, terminate this Agreement upon the occurrence of such event.
- H. The certificate of insurance must include the following provisions stating that:
 - 1. The insurer will not cancel the insured's coverage without thirty (30) days prior written notice to County, and;
 - 2. The County of El Dorado, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are included as additional insured, but only insofar as the operations under this Agreement are concerned. This provision shall apply to the general liability policy.
- I. The Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County, its officers, officials, employees or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- J. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the County, either: the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers; or the Contractor shall procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration and defense expenses.
- K. Any failure to comply with the reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the County, its officers, officials, employees or volunteers.
- L. The insurance companies shall have no recourse against the County of El Dorado, its officers and employees or any of them for payment of any premiums or assessments under any policy issued by any insurance company.
- M. Contractor's obligations shall not be limited by the foregoing insurance requirements and shall survive expiration of this Agreement.

- N. In the event Contractor cannot provide an occurrence policy, Contractor shall provide insurance covering claims made as a result of performance of this Agreement for not less than three (3) years following completion of performance of this Agreement.
- O. Certificate of insurance shall meet such additional standards as may be determined by the contracting County Department either independently or in consultation with Risk Management, as essential for the protection of the County.

ARTICLE XXI

Interest of Public Official: No official or employee of County who exercises any functions or responsibilities in review or approval of services to be provided by Contractor under this Agreement shall participate in or attempt to influence any decision relating to this Agreement which affects personal interest or interest of any corporation, partnership, or association in which he/she is directly or indirectly interested; nor shall any such official or employee of County have any interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement or the proceeds thereof.

ARTICLE XXII

Interest of Contractor: Contractor covenants that Contractor presently has no personal interest or financial interest, and shall not acquire same in any manner or degree in either: 1) any other contract connected with or directly affected by the services to be performed by this Agreement; or, 2) any other entities connected with or directly affected by the services to be performed by this Agreement. Contractor further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement no person having any such interest shall be employed by Contractor.

ARTICLE XXIII

Conflict of Interest: The parties to this Agreement have read and are aware of the provisions of Government Code Section 1090 et seq. and Section 87100 relating to conflict of interest of public officers and employees. Contractor attests that it has no current business or financial relationship with any County employee(s) that would constitute a conflict of interest with provision of services under this contract and will not enter into any such business or financial relationship with any such employee(s) during the term of this Agreement. County represents that it is unaware of any financial or economic interest of any public officer or employee of Contractor relating to this Agreement. It is further understood and agreed that if such a financial interest does exist at the inception of this Agreement either party may immediately terminate this Agreement by giving written notice as detailed in the Article in the Agreement titled, "Default, Termination and Cancellation".

ARTICLE XXIV

California Residency (Form 590): All independent Contractors providing services to the County must file a State of California Form 590, certifying their California residency or, in the case of a corporation, certifying that they have a permanent place of business in California. The Contractor will be required to submit a Form 590 prior to execution of an Agreement or County shall withhold seven (7) percent of each payment made to the Contractor during term of the Agreement. This requirement applies to any agreement/contract exceeding \$1,500.00.

ARTICLE XXV

Taxpayer Identification Number (Form W-9): All independent Contractors or corporations providing services to the County must file a Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form W-9, certifying their Taxpayer Identification Number.

ARTICLE XXVI

County Business License: It is unlawful for any person to furnish supplies or services, or transact any kind of business in the unincorporated territory of El Dorado County without possessing a County business license unless exempt under County Code Section 5.08.070.

ARTICLE XXVII

Administrator: The County Officer or employee with responsibility for administering this Agreement is Sandra Branton, Program Manager, or successor.

ARTICLE XXVIII

Authorized Signatures: The parties to this Agreement represent that the undersigned individuals executing this Agreement on their respective behalf are fully authorized to do so by law or other appropriate instrument and to bind upon said parties to the obligations set forth herein.

ARTICLE XXIX

Partial Invalidity: If any provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will continue in full force and effect without being impaired or invalidated in any way.

ARTICLE XXX

Venue: Any dispute resolution action arising out of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, litigation, mediation, or arbitration, shall be brought in El Dorado County, California, and shall be resolved in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

ARTICLE XXXI

Entire Agreement: This document and the documents referred to herein or exhibits hereto are the entire Agreement between the parties and they incorporate or supersede all prior written or oral Agreements or understandings.

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REQUESTING CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR CONCURRENCE:

By: _____ Dated: _____
Sandra Branton, Program Manager
Mental Health Department

REQUESTING DEPARTMENT HEAD CONCURRENCE:

By: _____ Dated: _____
John Bachman, Director
Mental Health Department

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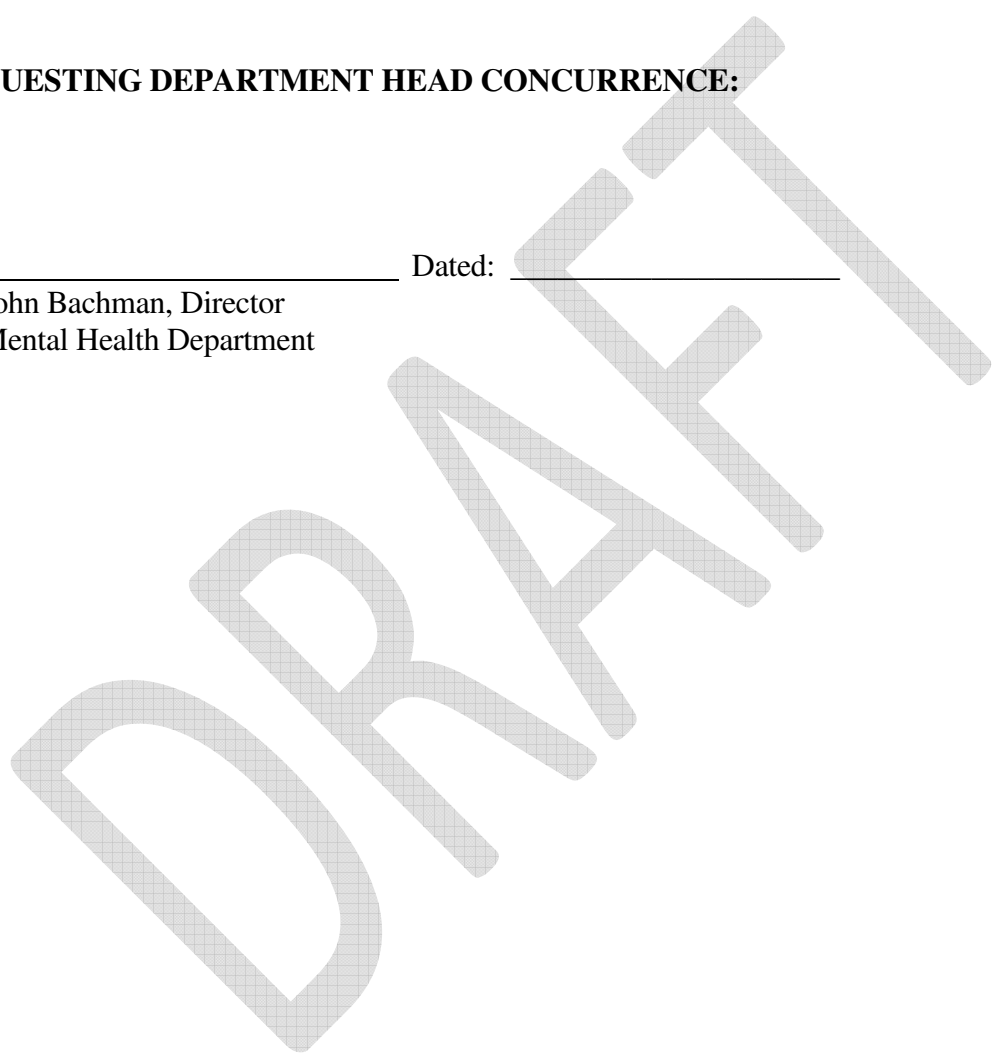
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the dates indicated below, the latest of which shall be deemed to be the effective date of this Agreement.

-- COUNTY OF EL DORADO --

Dated: _____

By: _____

Chairman
Board of Supervisors
"County"

ATTEST:
Cindy Keck, Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____ Date: _____
Deputy Clerk

-- CONTRACTOR --

Dated: _____

SIERRA RECOVERY CENTER
A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION

By: _____

Betsy Fedor
Executive Director
"Contractor"

By: _____

Corporate Secretary