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AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES #552-S0711

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 Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., a Maryland Corporation, duly qualified to conduct business in the State of California, whose principal place of business is 7227 Lee DeForest Drive, Columbia, MD 21046, and whose local place of business is 3013 Douglas Boulevard, Suite 160, Roseville, CA 95661; (hereinafter referred to as "Consultant");

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, County has determined that it is necessary to obtain a Consultant to provide personnel to supplement the psychiatric facility (PHF) for the Mental Health Department on an "as requested" basis; and

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

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

ARTICLE I

Scope of Services: Consultant agrees upon request by County to provide one or more licensed health care providers (i.e., RNs, LVN/LPT, MHWs, CNAs) as specified by the County Mental Health Department for supplemental staffing services, subject to availability of qualified personnel. Consultant shall supply personnel who meet the following criteria:

- 1) Possess current state license/registration and/or certification;
- 2) Possess CPR certification, as required by State law;
- 3) Meet applicable laws, regulations, and/or accreditation standards, to be presented to County Administrator upon request;
- 4) Possess proof of pre-employment screening to include a physical (as applicable to State law) and TB skin test, professional references, criminal background check(s) (and drug screenings as applicable); and
- 5) Possess at least one (1) year of relevant professional experience and one (1) year of specialty experience.

Consultant shall maintain direct responsibility as employer for payment of wages, and federal, state and local income taxes, social security taxes, workers' compensation, and unemployment insurance. Consultant agrees to maintain documentation on all personnel provided by Consultant in an employee file.

When applicable, Consultant agrees that in accordance with Section 952 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1980, its contracts, books, documents and records will be made available to the Comptroller General of the United States, the United States Department of Health and Human Services and their duly authorized representative ("USDHHS") until the expiration of four (4) years after the date on which such services were furnished under this Agreement.

Consultant shall coordinate with County to promptly provide Consultant personnel with an orientation of County facility. Consultant shall review instructions regarding confidentiality (including patient and employee), and orient Consultants' personnel to the specific Exposure Control Plan of the facility as it pertains to OSHA requirements for bloodborne pathogens, as well as any of the facility's specific policies and procedures provided to Consultant for such purpose.

County retains full authority and responsibility for professional and medical management of care for each of its patients and for ensuring that services provided by Consultant personnel under this Agreement are furnished in a safe and effective manner and in accordance with applicable standards.

County shall use its best efforts to request personnel at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to reporting time in order to assure prompt arrival of assigned personnel. All information regarding reporting time and assignment shall be provided by County at the time of the initial call.

Consultant shall bill County for the entire shift if an order for staff is made less than two (2) hour(s) prior to the start of the shift, as long as the individual reports for work within a reasonable prompt period of time under existing conditions after receiving notice of the assignment.

If County changes or cancels an order less than four (4) hours prior to the start of a shift, Consultant shall bill County for four (4) hours at the established fee for each scheduled personnel. Consultant shall be responsible for contacting Consultants' personnel prior to reporting time.

If County concludes, in its sole discretion, that any personnel provided by Consultant have engaged in misconduct, or have been negligent, County may require the individual to leave the premises and will notify Consultant immediately in writing, providing in reasonable detail the reasons(s) for such dismissal. County's obligation to compensate Consultant for such individual's services will be limited to the number of hours actually worked. Consultant shall not reassign the individual to the facility without prior approval of the County.

County may request the dismissal of any Consultant personnel for any reason. County agrees to notify Consultant of any such action immediately in writing, providing in reasonable detail the reasons (s) for such dismissal. County shall be obligated to compensate Consultant personnel for all hours worked prior to dismissal.

In all instances where personnel are supervised by County, County shall document and develop an incident report of any injury, illness, or ailment experienced by Consultant's personnel at the facility workplace in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.

Neither Consultant nor County shall discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, being a qualified disabled veteran, being a qualified veteran of the Vietnam era, or any other category protected by law.

ARTICLE II

Term: This Agreement shall become effective upon final execution by both parties hereto and shall cover the period of May 1, 2007 through April 30, 2009.

ARTICLE III

Compensation for Services: For services provided herein, County agrees to pay Consultant weekly in arrears and within thirty (30) days following the County's receipt and approval of itemized invoice(s) identifying services rendered. For the purposes of this Agreement, the billing rates shall be in accordance with Exhibit "A", marked "Fee Schedule", incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof. Contractor reserves the right to increase rates with thirty (30) days written notice to the Mental Health Director, in accordance with **Article XIII – Notice to Parties**, herein. The total amount of this Agreement shall not exceed \$200,000.00.

ARTICLE IV

HIPAA Compliance: As a condition of Contractor performing services for the County of El Dorado, Contractor shall execute that Business Associate Agreement which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B", which is incorporated herein for all intents and purposes.

ARTICLE V

RNs, LVN/LPT, MHWs, CNAs - Placement Fee: For a period of twelve (12) months following that date on which a Consultant personnel member last worked a shift at the County, County agrees that it will take no steps to recruit, hire or employ as its own employees or as a contractor those personnel provided by Consultant during the term of this Agreement. County understands and agrees that Consultant is not an employment agency and that personnel are assigned to the facility to render temporary service(s) and are not assigned to become employed by the County. The County further acknowledges and agrees that the substantial investment in business related costs incurred by Consultant in recruiting, training and employing personnel, which includes advertising, recruiting, interviewing, evaluating, reference checking, training, and supervising personnel. In the event that County, or any affiliate, subsidiary, department, or division of County hires, employs or solicits Consultant personnel, County will be in breach of this Agreement. County agrees to give Consultant (a) one hundred and eighty (180) days prior written notice of its intent to hire, or employ continuing to staff personnel through Consultant for a minimum of thirty-six (36) hours per week through the one hundred and eighty (180) days notice period; or (b) to pay Consultant liquidated damages equal to the greater of: five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or the sum of thirty percent (30%) of such personnel's annualized salary (calculated as Weekday Hourly Pay Rate x 2080 Hours x 30%).

ARTICLE VI

Physician/Psychiatrists Permanent Recruitment and Non-Solicitation: County may wish to enter into a direct long- or short-term relationship with a Physician who has worked with County or has been introduced through Consultant. Consultant's business depends on preserving their locum tenens network, which they have expended considerable resources to develop and maintain. Therefore, as separate consideration for their efforts in locating and referring a Physician to County, County agrees to pay Consultant a permanent recruitment fee in the amount of twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000) for any Physician introduced to County by Consultant. County must inform Consultant within twenty-four (24) hours if any Physician presented by Consultant is already known to the County. Otherwise, the Physician(s) will be conclusively presumed to have been introduced by Consultant to County. Any Physician who has provided services for County through Consultant who:

- accepts a position, during the term of this Agreement or within (2) years after its termination and whether or not in the area served by County's facility, practice where the Physician performed service(s), or was introduced to perform locum tenens services for County, with County or any affiliate (meaning any individual practice, group, clinic, or other organization that is owned, managed or operated, directly or indirectly, by County or by any persons or entities of which County is, directly or indirectly, an owner, partner, agent, employee or subsidiary, or with whom County regularly provide medical services through licensed Physicians, or that is jointly owned or controlled by or with County); or
- accepts a position in the area served by County's facility or practice in which the Physician provided locum tenens coverage under this Agreement, during the term of this Agreement or within two (2) years after its termination, if County assists in obtaining the position or receives any services or benefits as a result of the Physician's placement; or

- engages in locum tenens coverage, other than through Consultant, for County or any of County's affiliates (as defined above), whether or not in the area served by County practice or facility where the Physician performed locum tenens services for County, during the term of this Agreement or within two years after its termination.

If the Physician accepts a permanent position, the recruitment fee is due in full and payable on the first day the Physician performs services in the new permanent position. If the Physician provides services in any temporary position (including non- Consultant locum tenens coverage), the recruitment fee shall be paid to Consultant ratably, in amounts equal to the locum tenens fees that County would have paid if the services were performed under this Agreement.

Consultant Agreements with Physicians have similar limitations and conditions on accepting other positions with County or County affiliates and within County community.

The restrictions and obligations of this Permanent Recruitment section will last during the term of this Agreement or for two (2) years after its termination, at any time or for any reason, and regardless of whether either Consultant or County is in breach of any other terms of this Agreement.

For County protection, Consultant Physician Agreement requires County consent to any placement of, or practice by, the Physician within the area served by County facility or practice in which the Physician provides services under this Agreement during the term of this Agreement or for PHD (2) years after the Physician's contract with Consultant terminates (which may occur later than the date the Physician completes an assignment with County).

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

Consultant 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, Consultant shall act as Consultant only to County and shall not act as Consultant 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 Consultant's responsibilities to County during term hereof.

ARTICLE IX

Assignment and Delegation: Consultant is engaged by County for its unique qualifications and skills as well as those of its personnel. Consultant 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 Consultant/Liability: Consultant 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. Consultant 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.

Consultant 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 Consultant 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 Consultant.
- C. **Ceasing Performance:** County may terminate this Agreement in the event Consultant 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 Consultant, 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, Consultant 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

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
344 PLACERVILLE DRIVE, SUITE 20
PLACERVILLE, CA 95667
ATTN: MARLENE HENSLEY, PROGRAM MANAGER – PHF

or to such other location as the County directs.

Notices to Consultant shall be addressed as follows:

MAXIM HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC.
7227 LEE DEFOREST DRIVE
COLUMBIA, MD 21046
ATTN: CONTRACTS DEPARTMENT

Copy to:

MAXIM HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC.
3013 DOUGLAS BLVD., SUITE 160
ROSEVILLE, CA 95661
ATTN: ACCOUNTS MANAGER

or to such other location as the Consultant directs.

ARTICLE XIV

Indemnity: The Consultant 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 caused by the sole negligent acts or omissions of Consultant or Consultant's personnel in the performance of this Agreement. Consultant's obligation to indemnify shall be limited to that portion of any losses or damages which result from the sole negligence of Contractor or Contractor's personnel. Consultant's obligation to indemnify shall not include any losses or damages which result from the sole negligent act or omissions of the County, its officers and employees, or as expressly prescribed by statute. This duty of Consultant to indemnify and save County harmless includes the duties to defend set forth in California Civil Code Section 2778.

ARTICLE XV

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

- A. Full Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance covering all employees of Consultant 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 Consultant in the performance of the Agreement.
- D. In the event Consultant 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. For the purposes of this Agreement professional liability is required.
- E. Consultant 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. Consultant 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, Consultant 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 Consultant agrees that no work or services shall be performed prior to the giving of such approval. In the event the Consultant 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. Only in cases of Consultant's sole negligence, the Consultant'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 Consultant's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- J. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the County.
- 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. Consultant's obligations shall not be limited by the foregoing insurance requirements and shall survive expiration of this Agreement.
- N. In the event Consultant cannot provide an occurrence policy, Consultant 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 XVI

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 Consultant 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 XVII

Interest of Consultant: Consultant covenants that Consultant 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. Consultant further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement no person having any such interest shall be employed by Consultant.

ARTICLE XVIII

California Residency (Form 590): All independent Consultants 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 Consultant 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 Consultant during term of the Agreement. This requirement applies to any agreement/contract exceeding \$1,500.00.

ARTICLE XIX

Taxpayer Identification Number (Form W-9): All independent Consultants 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 XX

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 XXI

Administrator: The County Officer or employee with responsibility for administering this Agreement is Marlene Hensley, Program Manager – PHF, Mental Health Department, or successor.

ARTICLE XXII

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 XXIII

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 XXIV

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 XXV

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.

REQUESTING CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR CONCURRENCE:

By:  Dated: 4-5-07
Marlene Hensley, Program Manager – PHF
Mental Health Department

REQUESTING DEPARTMENT HEAD CONCURRENCE:

By:  Dated: 4/5/07
John Bachman, PhD, Director
Mental Health Department

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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: _____

Chair
Board of Supervisors
"County"

ATTEST:
Cindy Keck, Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____ Date: _____
Deputy Clerk

-- CONSULTANT --

Dated: _____

MAXIM HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC.
A MARYLAND CORPORATION

By: _____

President
"Consultant"

By: _____
Corporate Secretary

Dated: _____

EXHIBIT "B"

HIPAA Business Associate Agreement

This HIPAA Business Associate Agreement is made part of the base contract ("Underlying Agreement") to which it is attached, as of the date of commencement of the term of the Underlying Agreement (the "Effective Date").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, County and Contractor entered into the Underlying Agreement pursuant to which Contractor provides services to County, and in conjunction with the provision of such services, certain Protected Health Information ("PHI") and Electronic Protected Health Information ("EPHI") may be made available to Contractor for the purposes of carrying out its obligations under the Underlying Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, Pub. L. No. 104-161 of 1996 ("HIPAA"), more specifically the regulations found at Title 45, CFR, Parts 160 - 164 (the "Privacy and Security Rule"), as may be amended from time to time, which are applicable to the protection of any disclosure of PHI pursuant to the Underlying Agreement; and

WHEREAS, County is a Covered Entity, as defined in the Privacy Rule; and

WHEREAS, Contractor, when a recipient of PHI from County, is a Business Associate as defined in the Privacy Rule; and

WHEREAS, "Individual" shall have the same meaning as the term "individual" in 45 CFR § 164.501 and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.202(g); and

WHEREAS, the parties agree that any disclosure or use of PHI or EPHI be in compliance with the Privacy and Security Rule or other applicable law;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Definitions. Unless otherwise provided in this Business Associate Agreement, capitalized terms shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Privacy Rule, as may be amended from time to time.
2. Scope of Use and Disclosure by Contractor of County Disclosed PHI
 - A. Contractor shall be permitted to use PHI disclosed to it by the County:
 - (1) on behalf of the County, or to provide services to the County for the purposes contained herein, if such use or disclosure would not violate the Privacy Rule if done by the County, or the minimum necessary policies and procedures of the County
 - (2) as necessary to perform any and all of its obligations under the Underlying Agreement.
 - B. Unless otherwise limited herein, in addition to any other uses and/or disclosures permitted or authorized by this Business Associate Agreement or Required by Law, Contractor may:
 - (1) use the PHI in its possession for its proper management and administration and to fulfill any legal obligations.
 - (2) disclose the PHI in its possession to a third party for the purpose of Contractor's proper management and administration or to fulfill any

legal responsibilities of Contractor. Contractor may disclose PHI as necessary for Contractor's operations only if:

- (a) The disclosure is Required by Law; or
 - (b) Contractor obtains written assurances from any person or organization to which Contractor will disclose such PHI that the person or organization will:
 - (i) hold such PHI in confidence and use or further disclose it only for the purpose of which Contractor disclosed it to the third party, or as Required by Law; and,
 - (ii) the third party will notify Contractor of any instances of which it becomes aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached.
 - (3) aggregate the PHI and/or aggregate the PHI with that of other data for the purpose of providing County with data analyses related to the Underlying Agreement, or any other purpose, financial or otherwise, as requested by County.
 - (4) not disclose PHI disclosed to Contractor by County not authorized by the Underlying Agreement or this Business Associate Agreement without patient authorization or de-identification of the PHI as authorized in writing by County.
 - (5) de-identify any and all PHI of County received by Contractor under this Business Associate Agreement provided that the de-identification conforms to the requirements of the Privacy Rule, 45 CFR and does not preclude timely payment and/or claims processing and receipt.
- C. Contractor agrees that it will neither use nor disclose PHI it receives from County, or from another business associate of County, except as permitted or required by this Business Associate Agreement, or as Required by Law, or as otherwise permitted by law.

3. Obligations of Contractor. In connection with its use of PHI disclosed by County to Contractor, Contractor agrees to:

- A. Use or disclose PHI only as permitted or required by this Business Associate Agreement or as Required by Law.
- B. Use reasonable and appropriate safeguards to prevent use or disclosure of PHI other than as provided for by this Business Associate Agreement.
- C. To the extent practicable, mitigate any harmful effect that is known to Contractor of a use or disclosure of PHI by Contractor in violation of this Business Associate Agreement.
- D. Report to County any use or disclosure of PHI not provided for by this Business Associate Agreement of which Contractor becomes aware.
- E. Require sub-contractors or agents to whom Contractor provides PHI to agree to the same restrictions and conditions that apply to Contractor pursuant to this Business Associate Agreement.
- F. Use appropriate administrative, technical and physical safeguards to prevent inappropriate use or disclosure of PHI created or received for or from the County.

- G. Implement administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the electronic PHI that it creates, receives, maintains, or transmits on behalf of the County and to follow generally accepted system security principles as required in final rule 45 CFR Parts 160-164.
 - H. Contractor will report any security incident of which it becomes aware to the County. Security incident means the attempted or successful unauthorized access, use, disclosure, modification, or destruction of information or interference with system operations. This does not include trivial incidents that occur on a daily basis, such as scans or "pings".
 - I. Obtain and maintain knowledge of the applicable laws and regulations related to HIPAA, as may be amended from time to time.
 - J. May use PHI to report violations of law to appropriate Federal and State Authorities, consistent with § 164.502(j) (1).
4. PHI Access, Amendment and Disclosure Accounting. Contractor agrees to:
- A. Provide access, at the request of County, within five (5) days, to PHI in a Designated Record Set, to the County, or to an Individual as directed by the County.
 - B. To make any amendment(s) to PHI in a Designated Record Set that the County directs or agrees to at the request of County or an Individual within sixty (60) days of the request of County.
 - C. To assist the County in meeting its disclosure accounting under HIPAA:
 - (1) Contractor agrees to document such disclosures of PHI and information related to such disclosures as would be required for the County to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI.
 - (2) Contractor agrees to provide to County or an Individual, within sixty (60) days, information collected in accordance with this section to permit the County to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI.
 - (3) Contractor shall have available for the County the information required by this section for the six (6) years preceding the County's request for information (except the Contractor need have no information for disclosures occurring before April 14, 2003).
 - D. Make available to the County, or to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, Contractor's internal practices, books and records relating to the use of and disclosure of PHI for purposes of determining Contractor's compliance with the Privacy Rule, subject to any applicable legal restrictions.
 - E. Within thirty (30) days of receiving a written request from County, make available any and all information necessary for County to make an accounting of disclosures of County PHI by Contractor.
 - F. Within sixty (60) days of receiving a written request from County, incorporate any amendments or corrections to the PHI in accordance with the Privacy Rule in the event that the PHI in Contractor's possession constitutes a Designated Record Set.

- G. Not make any disclosure of PHI that County would be prohibited from making.

5. Obligations of County.

- A. County agrees that it will make its best efforts to promptly notify Contractor in writing of any restrictions on the use and disclosure of PHI agreed to by County that may affect Contractor's ability to perform its obligations under the Underlying Agreement, or this Business Associate Agreement.
- B. County agrees that it will make its best efforts to promptly notify Contractor in writing of any changes in, or revocation of, permission by any Individual to use or disclose PHI, if such changes or revocation may affect Contractor's ability to perform its obligations under the Underlying Agreement, or this Business Associate Agreement.
- C. County agrees that it make it's best efforts to promptly notify Contractor in writing of any known limitation(s) in its notice of privacy practices to the extent that such limitation may affect Contractor's use of disclosure of PHI.
- D. County shall not request Contractor to use or disclose PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under the Privacy Rule if done by County, except as may be expressly permitted by the Privacy Rule.
- E. County will obtain any authorizations necessary for the use or disclosure of PHI, so that Contractor can perform its obligations under this Business Associate Agreement and/or the Underlying Agreement.

6. Term and Termination.

- A. Term – this Business Associate Agreement shall commence upon the Effective Date and terminate upon the termination of the Underlying Agreement, as provided therein when all PHI provided by the County to Contractor, or created or received by Contractor on behalf of the County, is destroyed or returned to the County, or, or if it is infeasible to return or destroy PHI, protections are extended to such information, in accordance with the termination provisions in this Section.
- B. Termination for Cause. Upon the County's knowledge of a material breach by the Contractor, the County shall either:
 - (1) Provide an opportunity for the Contractor to cure the breach or end the violation and terminate this Agreement if the Contractor does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by the County.
 - (2) Immediately terminate this Agreement if the Contractor has breached a material term of this Agreement and cure is not possible; or
 - (3) If neither termination nor cures are feasible, the County shall report the violation to the Secretary.
- C. Effect of Termination.
 - (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this section, upon termination of this Agreement, for any reason, the Contractor shall return or destroy all PHI received from the County, created or received by the Contractor on behalf of the County. This provision shall apply to PHI that is in the possession of subcontractors or agents of the Contractor.

Contractor shall retain no copies of the PHI.

- (2) In the event that the Contractor determines that returning or destroying the PHI is infeasible, Contractor shall provide to the County notification of the conditions that make return or destruction infeasible. Upon {negotiated terms} that return or destruction of PHI is infeasible, Contractor shall extend the protections of this Agreement to such PHI and limit further uses and disclosures of such PHI to those purposes that make the return or destruction infeasible, for so long as the Contractor maintains such PHI.

7. HIPAA Business Associate Indemnity

Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless all Agencies, Districts, Special Districts and Departments of the County, their respective directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents and representatives from any liability whatsoever, based or asserted upon any services of Contractor, its officers, employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives arising out of or in any way relating to this Business Associate Agreement, including but not limited to property damage, bodily injury, or death or any other element of any kind or nature whatsoever including fines, penalties or any other costs and resulting from any reason whatsoever arising from the performance of Contractor, its officers, agents, employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives from this Business Associate Agreement. Contractor shall defend, at its sole expense, all costs and fees including but not limited to attorney fees, cost of investigation, defense and settlements or awards all Agencies, Districts, Special Districts and Departments of the County, their respective directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents and representatives in any claim or action based upon such alleged acts or omissions.

With respect to any action or claim subject to indemnification herein by Contractor, Contractor shall, at their sole cost, have the right to use counsel of their choice, subject to the approval of County, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, and shall have the right to adjust, settle, or compromise any such action or claim without the prior consent of County; provided, however, that any such adjustment, settlement or compromise in no manner whatsoever limits or circumscribes Contractor's indemnification to County as set forth herein. Contractor's obligation to defend, indemnify and hold harmless County shall be subject to County having given Contractor written notice within a reasonable period of time of the claim or of the commencement of the related action, as the case may be, and information and reasonable assistance, at Contractor's expense, for the defense or settlement thereof. Contractor's obligation hereunder shall be satisfied when Contractor has provided to County the appropriate form of dismissal relieving County from any liability for the action or claim involved.

The specified insurance limits required in the Underlying Agreement of this Business Associate Agreement shall in no way limit or circumscribe Contractor's obligations to indemnify and hold harmless the County herein from third party claims arising from the issues of this Business Associate Agreement.

In the event there is conflict between this clause and California Civil Code Section 2782, this clause shall be interpreted to comply with Civil Code 2782. Such

interpretation shall not relieve the Contractor from indemnifying the County to the fullest extent allowed by law.

In the event there is a conflict between this indemnification clause and an indemnification clause contained in the Underlying Agreement of this Business Associate Agreement, this indemnification shall only apply to the subject issues included within this Business Associate Agreement.

8. Amendment – the parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Business Associate Agreement from time to time as is necessary for County to comply with the Privacy Rule, 45 CFR, and HIPAA generally.
9. Survival – the respective rights and obligations of this Business Associate Agreement shall survive the termination or expiration of this Business Associate Agreement.
10. Regulatory References – a reference in this Business Associate Agreement to a section in the Privacy Rule means the section as in effect or as amended.
11. Conflicts - any ambiguity in this Business Associate Agreement and the Underlying Agreement shall be resolved to permit County to comply with the Privacy Rule, 45 CFR, and HIPAA generally.

Dated: _____

Dated: 4/5/07

Signed: _____

Signed: John Bachman

President
Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc.

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