

AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES #235-S1711

In-Home and Community Support Services

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between the County of El Dorado, a political subdivision of the State of California (hereinafter referred to as “County”) and A Helping Hand Homecare, LLC, a California Corporation, duly qualified to conduct business in the State of California whose principal place of business is 6092 Pony Express Trail, Pollock Pines, CA 95726, and whose Agent for Service of Process is Pete Messimore, 6092 Pony Express Trail, Pollock Pines, CA 95726 (hereinafter referred to as “Contractor”);

RECITALS

WHEREAS, County has determined that it is necessary to obtain a Contractor to provide in-home and community support services on an “as requested” basis for clients referred by the County of El Dorado Health and Human Services Agency; 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, the parties hereto have mutually agreed that the existing Agreement for Services 203-S1410 shall terminate October 10, 2016 and be replaced by Agreement for Services 235-S1711 in accordance with Article II, “Term”; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the parties hereto that such services be in conformity with all applicable Federal, State (all references to “State” in this Agreement shall mean the State of California unless otherwise specified), and local laws; and

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

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

ARTICLE I

Scope of Services:

A. Behavioral Health Division: Contractor shall furnish experienced and trained staff to provide in-home and community support services for Health and Human Services Agency (HHS), Behavioral Health Division client(s) on an “as requested” basis. Contractor agrees to furnish appropriately licensed or certified individuals to provide such service to clients as is allowed within their scope of practice and/or professional license and may be prescribed or authorized by a physician. Services may be provided by care companions, Home Health Aids and Certified Nursing Assistants and may include homemaker services such as light housekeeping, laundry, removal and replacement of bedding, meal preparation and clean-up, grocery shopping, medication interval reminders, and stand-by assistance for ambulation and bathing. Services also may include a higher level of personal care services such as assistance with toileting, bathing, dressing, personal hygiene, simple wound dressing that does not require skilled professional medical personnel assessment, assistance with transfers, and assistance with ambulation.

Contractor services shall be available 24-hours per day, seven (7) days per week. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Contractor’s service area covers all of El Dorado County.

Contractor shall only begin services upon receipt of written authorization from the Contract Administrator or designee in accordance with Exhibit A, marked “Authorization Statement” attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein. Transportation of clients shall only be provided upon receipt of written authorization by the Contract Administrator. The County shall not reimburse for services provided without such preauthorization.

Should Contractor become aware of any incidents of abuse to clients or fraud involving clients during the performance of services under this Agreement, Contractor shall immediately report such instances to the County in writing and Contractor shall comply with mandated reporting requirements as set forth in the section titled, “Fraud or Abuse Reporting.”

B. Community Services and Public Health Divisions: Contractor shall furnish experienced and trained staff to provide in-home and community support services for Health and Human Services Agency (HHS), Community Services and Public Health client(s) on an “as requested” basis. Contractor agrees to furnish appropriately licensed or certified individuals to provide such service to clients as is allowed within their scope of practice and/or professional license and may be prescribed or authorized by a physician. Services may be provided by care companions, Home Health Aids and Certified Nursing Assistants and may include homemaker services such as light housekeeping, laundry, removal and replacement of bedding, meal preparation and clean-up, grocery shopping, medication interval reminders, and stand-by assistance for ambulation and bathing. Services also may include a higher level of personal care services such as assistance with toileting, bathing, dressing, personal hygiene, simple wound dressing that does not require skilled professional medical personnel assessment, assistance with transfers, and assistance with ambulation.

Contractor services shall be available 24-hours per day, seven (7) days per week. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Contractor’s service area covers all of El Dorado County.

Contractor shall only begin services upon receipt of written authorization from the Program Supervisor or Manager. Transportation of clients shall only be provided upon receipt of written authorization by the Contract Administrator. The County shall not reimburse for services that have not been pre-approved in writing.

Should Contractor become aware of any incidents of abuse to clients or fraud involving clients during the performance of services under this Agreement, Contractor shall immediately report such instances to the County in writing and Contractor shall comply with mandated reporting requirements as set forth in the section titled, “Fraud or Abuse Reporting.”

ARTICLE II

Term: This Agreement shall become effective when fully executed by all parties and shall cover the period of October 11, 2016 through November 30, 2019, unless terminated earlier pursuant to the provisions contained herein this Agreement under the Article(s) titled “Default, Termination, and Cancellation” or “Fiscal Considerations.”

ARTICLE III

Compensation for Services:

A. Rates: The following rates shall be effective upon final execution of this Agreement for Services.

Description of Services	Length of Service	Rate
Hourly Rates		
Emergency Staffing: As requested by County.	Three (3) hour visit	\$25.50 / hour
Homemaker Services: Includes light housekeeping; laundry; removal and replacement of bedding (sheets, pillowcases, blankets, etc.); meal preparation and clean up; grocery shopping; medication interval reminders; and stand-by ambulation and stand-by bathing.	Four (4) or more hours	\$21.00 / hour
Attendant/Personal Care Services: Includes everything listed under Homemaker Services, plus: hands-on assistance with toileting; incontinence care; bathing; dressing; personal hygiene; simple wound dressings; transfers; and ambulation. Bed-bound clients are repositioned every two (2) hours; receive a “bed bath;” incontinence care; dressing; assistance with feeding; and pain monitoring.	Four (4) or more hours	\$23.25 / hour

Description of Services	Length of Service	Rate
Two-to-Three Hour Visit: Services authorized by County within scope of Contractor's service offerings.	Two to three (2-3) hour visit	\$25.50 / hour
Per Visit Rates		
Bath: Assistance with toileting, sponge/bed bath, bath, or shower; dressing for day or nighttime. Clean up after bathing. Medication interval reminders. Prepare small meal.	One and one-half (1.5) hours	\$41.00 / visit
Pop-In Safety Visit: This visit is designed as a safety wellness visit. Contractor will make sure Client is clean and safe, will prepare a small meal, and provide medication interval reminders.	Up to one (1) hour	\$27.00 / visit
Sleep Over: Assistance with toileting, fluids, and medication reminder/assistance. Contractor shall receive five (5) to seven (7) hours of sleep in a private bed.	Twelve (12) hours	\$195.00 / visit
Twenty-four (24) Hour Visits: Includes all services defined herein, including, but not limited to day-to-day household chores like watering plants inside and out, taking trashcan to the curb, and picking up mail. Contractor shall receive eight (8) hours of sleep in a private bed.	Twenty-four (24) hours	\$320.00 / visit
Other		
Transportation: Pick up Client at one location and transport to another location; stay with Client throughout duration of appointment or event; transport back to original location. All travel, including mileage, shall be in accordance with the County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors Travel Policy D-1, attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated by reference herein.	Requires 48-72 hour advance notice to schedule transportation.	\$18.50/hour plus mileage
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If services are required for more than one (1) Client in the home, an additional charge of \$10.00/hour will be added if the additional person requires assistance with personal hygiene (incontinence care, bathing, transfers, range of motion exercises, dressing, etc.). Otherwise, there is no additional charge. 2. Mileage will be charged if Contractor drives over ten (10) miles to Client's location. Said mileage shall be charged in accordance with Exhibit B. 3. Personal interview available free of charge; County will receive a copy of the individual's assessment. 4. Rate changes – Contractor shall submit notices of rate changes in writing, to the address noted in the Article titled, "Notice to Parties." Said notice shall be provided at least sixty (60) days in advance of the rate change. Upon HHSA's written confirmation of receipt of the rate change, the revised rates shall be incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein. 		

Travel occurring in the performance of services under this Agreement shall be documented on a Travel Log similar to Exhibit C, attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein. Exhibit C is for purposes of example only and may be modified to incorporate improvements in design that are mutually acceptable to the parties and approved in writing by the Agreement's Contract Administrator.

B. Invoices: Contractor shall submit invoices as follows:

Behavioral Health Division invoices: Contractor may submit invoices for services as frequently as every two (2) weeks, but no later than thirty (30) days following the end of a "service month" except in those instances where Contractor obtains written approval from the HHS Director or Director's designee granting an extension of the time to complete billing for services or expenses. For billing purposes, a "service month" shall be defined as a calendar month during which Contractor provides these services in accordance with the Article titled, "Scope of Services." For services provided pursuant to request by the HHS Behavioral Health Division, Contractor shall so indicate on each invoice, "For service provided for the Behavioral Health Division." For services provided herein, County agrees to process Contractor's invoices immediately and request expedited payment.

Community Services Division and Public Health Division invoices: For services provided herein, County agrees to pay Contractor monthly in arrears. Payment shall be made within forty-five (45) days following County receipt and approval of itemized invoice(s) detailing services rendered, including the name of the Program for which services were provided (i.e., Community Services/Family Caregiver Support Program - FCSP or Public Health/Multipurpose Senior Services Program- MSSP). Contractor shall submit invoices for services fifteen (15) days following the end of a "service month." For billing purposes, a "service month" shall be defined as a calendar month during which Contractor provides services in accordance with the Article titled, "Scope of Services."

Invoices (for all Divisions) shall contain the following data:

1. Contractor name, address, and phone number.
2. Service date(s) and number of Units of Service per service date.
3. Client name(s).
4. Type of service(s) provided.
5. Agreement rate for each service provided.
 - a. All fee(s) charged to County shall be in accordance with the rates as set forth in this Agreement.
6. Total amount billed to the County of El Dorado under the subject invoice.

Invoices shall be sent as follows, or as otherwise directed in writing by County:

<i>Please Send Invoices to:</i>
County of El Dorado Health and Human Services Agency Attn: Finance Unit 3057 Briw Road, Suite B Placerville, CA 95667-5321

ARTICLE IV

Maximum Obligation:

Behavioral Health Division: The maximum contractual obligation under this Agreement shall not exceed \$900,000 for all of the stated services during the term of the Agreement.

Community Services Division: The maximum contractual obligation under this Agreement shall not exceed \$17,000 for all of the stated services during the term of the Agreement.

Public Health Division: The maximum contractual obligation under this Agreement shall not exceed \$10,000 for all of the stated services during the term of the Agreement.

ARTICLE V

Taxes: Contractor certifies that as of today's date, it is not in default on any unsecured property taxes or other taxes or fees owed by Contractor to County. Contractor agrees that it shall not default on any obligations to County during the term of this Agreement.

ARTICLE VI

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 VII

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 VIII

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 IX

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 X

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 XI

Audit by California State Auditor: Contractor acknowledges that if total compensation under this agreement is greater than \$10,000.00, this Agreement is subject to examination and audit by the California State Auditor for a period of three (3) years, or for any longer period required by law, after final payment under this Agreement, pursuant to California Government Code Section 8546.7. In order to facilitate these potential examinations and audits, Contractor shall maintain, for a period of at least three (3) years, or for any longer period required by law, after final payment under the contract, all books, records and documentation necessary to demonstrate performance under the Agreement.

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

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
Health and Human Services Agency
3057 Briw Road
Placerville, CA 95667
ATTN: Contracts Unit

or to such other location as the County directs.

with a carbon copy to

COUNTY OF EL DORADO
Chief Administrative Office
Procurement and Contracts Division
360 Fair Lane
Placerville, CA 95667
ATTN: Purchasing Agent

Notices to Contractor shall be addressed as follows:

A HELPING HAND HOMECARE, LLC.
6092 Pony Express Trail, Suite 1
Pollock Pines, CA 95762
ATTN: President, or successor

or to such other location as the Contractor directs.

ARTICLE XIV

Change of Address: In the event of a change in address for Contractor's principal place of business, Contractor's Agent for Service of Process, or Notices to Contractor, Contractor shall notify County in writing pursuant to the provisions contained in this Agreement under the Article titled "Notice to Parties". Said notice shall become part of this Agreement upon acknowledgment in writing by the County Contract Administrator, and no further amendment of the Agreement shall be necessary provided that such change of address does not conflict with any other provisions of this Agreement.

ARTICLE XV

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 attorney's 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.

The Contractor further agrees to indemnify, defend and save harmless the State of California and the California Department of Aging, its officers, agents, and employees from any and all claims and losses accruing or resulting to any and all contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, laborers, and any other person, firm or corporation furnishing or supplying work services, materials, or

supplies in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and from any and all claims and losses accruing or resulting to any person firm or corporation who may be injured or damaged by Contractor in the performance of this Agreement.

ARTICLE XVI

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

- A. Full Worker's Compensation and Employer's 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 and a \$2,000,000.00 aggregate limit.
- 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 or professional consultant, and is performing professional services under this Agreement, professional liability 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 County of El Dorado 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. Contractor shall give County at least 30 days notice before the insurance is set to expire or before contractor cancels or replaces and/or amends Contractor's coverage. In the event that Contractor's insurance is proposed to be cancelled by the insurer, Contractor agrees to notify County within five (5) working days of receiving notice or proposed cancellation. Failure to maintain insurance as identified above shall be considered a material breach, and County may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, terminate this Agreement upon occurrence of such event. 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 the County of El Dorado, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are included as additional insured on an additional insured endorsement, 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 in 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 protection of the County.

ARTICLE XVII

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 XVIII

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 XIX

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 XX

Nondiscrimination: 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 § 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 § 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 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 XXI

California Residency (Form 590): If Contractor is a California resident, Contractors must file a State of California Form 590, certifying its California residency or, in the case of a corporation, certifying that it has 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 XXII

Nonresident Withholding: If Contractor is not a California resident, Contractor shall provide documentation that the State of California has granted a withholding exemption or authorized reduced withholding prior to execution of this Agreement or County shall withhold seven (7%) percent of each payment made to the Contractor during term of the Agreement as required by law. This requirement applies to any agreement/contract exceeding \$1,500.00. Contractor shall indemnify and hold the County harmless for any action taken by the California Franchise Tax Board.

ARTICLE XXIII

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 XXIV

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 XXV

Licenses: Contractor hereby represents and warrants that Contractor and any of its subcontractors employed under this Agreement has all the applicable licenses, permits, and certifications that are legally required for Contractor and its subcontractors to practice its profession or provide the services or work contemplated under this Agreement in the State of California. Contractor and its subcontractors shall obtain or maintain said applicable licenses, permits, or certificates in good standing throughout the term of this Agreement.

ARTICLE XXVI

Administrator: The County Officer or employee with responsibility for administering this Agreement for the Behavioral Health Division is Jamie Samboceti, Deputy Director, or successor.

The County Officer or employee with responsibility for administering this Agreement for Community Services is Michelle Hunter, Program Manager, or successor.

The County Officer or employee with responsibility for administering this Agreement for the Public Health Division is Michael Ungeheuer, Public Health Nursing Director.

ARTICLE XXVII

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 XXVIII

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 XXIX

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 XXX

No Third Party Beneficiaries: Nothing in this Agreement is intended, nor will be deemed, to confer rights or remedies upon any person or legal entity not a party to this agreement.

ARTICLE XXXI

Additional Terms and Conditions:

A. **Availability of Funding:** This Agreement is valid and enforceable only if sufficient funds are made available to the States by the United States government and those funds are released by the State to the County for the services to be provided under this Agreement. In addition, 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.

The County's obligation for payment of any Agreement beyond the current fiscal year end is contingent upon the availability of funding from which payment can be made. No legal liability on the part of the county shall arise for payment beyond June 30 of the calendar year unless funds are made available for such performance.

B. **Compliance with All Federal, State and Local Laws and Regulations:** Contractor shall comply with all Federal, State and local laws including, but not limited to, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 (42USC12101 et. seq.) and California Government Code Sections 11135-11139.5, and all regulations, requirements, and directives pertinent to its operations. Contractor shall abide by manuals, directives and other guidance issued by the State of California. All appropriate manuals and updates shall be available for review or reference by Contractor from County's Health and Human Services Agency.

Contractor shall further comply with all applicable laws relating to wages and hours of employment and occupational safety and to fire, safety, and health and sanitation regulations. Such laws shall include, but not be limited to, the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act, the Davis-Bacon Act, the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, the Clean Air Act and amendments, the Clean Water Act and amendments, and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.

Contractor further warrants that it has all necessary licenses, permits, notices, approvals, certificates, waivers and exemptions necessary for the provision of services hereunder and required by the laws and regulations of the United States, the State of California, the County of El Dorado and all other appropriate governmental agencies and shall maintain these throughout the term of the Agreement.

- C. **Fraud or Abuse Reporting:** Contractor acknowledges and agrees to comply with mandated reporter requirements pursuant to provisions of Welfare and Institution Code, Section 15630-15632. Additionally, during the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor shall report immediately by phone to (530) 642-7300 or other such phone number that may be provided and in writing to the County of El Dorado Health and Human Services Agency at 3057 Briw Road, Placerville, CA 95667, any known or suspected incidents of fraud or abuse to clients or household occupants observed or learned of during the delivery of Contractor services.
- D. **Security Awareness Training:** As condition of Contractor performing services for the County of El Dorado, Contractor shall provide ongoing education and training, at least annually, for all employees who handle personal, sensitive or confidential information. Such employees of Contractor shall complete the California Department of Aging's (CDA) Security Awareness Training, which may be accessed on the CDA website at www.aging.ca.gov, within thirty (30) days of the start date of the Agreement or within 30 days of the start date of employment with Contractor, and annually thereafter for the term of this Agreement. Contractor may substitute CDA's Security Awareness Training program with a training program that meets or exceeds CDA's training requirement. The Contractor shall maintain documentation of training and education provided to their employees and provide copies to the County of El Dorado upon request. The County of El Dorado will provide Contractor with a CDA's Security Awareness Training document with the executed Agreement.
- E. **Contractor Appeal Process:** For services rendered for Clients of the County of El Dorado Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP), the County shall administer a written Contractor appeal process to assure fair consideration and disposition of any Contractor appeals to the County. Such appeals shall be made in writing to the MSSP Site Director within 30 days of receiving a written notification of action from the County. The written appeal shall contain pertinent Contractor information, identification of the action being appealed, the specific basis for appeal and all supporting documentation necessary to substantiate the appeal. The MSSP Site Director shall issue a written decision on the appeal within 60 days of receiving the complete appeal package. Final authority to decide claims shall be vested with the County.
- F. **HIPAA Compliance:** As a condition of Contractor performing services for the County of El Dorado, Contractor agrees to fully comply with all terms and conditions of County's Business Associate Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit D (incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof).
- G. **Confidentiality and Information Security Provisions:** Contractor shall comply with applicable Federal, State, and local laws and regulations, including but not limited to the Code of Federal Regulations Title 45, parts 160-164, regarding the confidentiality and security of Personally Identifiable Information (PII).

Personally Identifiable Information means any information that identifies, relates to, describes, or is capable of being associated with, a particular individual, including but not

limited to, his or her name, signature, social security number, passport number, driver's license or state identification card number, insurance policy number, education, employment, employment history, bank account number, credit card number, or any other financial information.

1) Permitted Uses and Disclosures of PII by Contractor.

- a) Permitted Uses and Disclosures. Contractor shall develop and maintain an information privacy and security program that includes the implementation of administrative, technical, and physical safeguards appropriate to the size and complexity of Contractor's operations and the nature and scope of its activities. The information privacy and security programs must reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the PII that it creates, receives, maintains, or transmits; and prevent the use or disclosure of PII other than as provided for in this Agreement. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, Contractor, may use or disclose PII to perform functions, activities or services identified in this Agreement provided that such use or disclosure would not violate Federal or State laws or regulations.
- b) Specific Uses and Disclosures provisions. Except as otherwise indicated in the Agreement, Contractor shall:
 - i) Use and disclose only PII for the proper management and administration of Contractor or to carry out the legal responsibilities of Contractor, provided that such use and disclosures are permitted by law; and
 - ii) Take all reasonable steps to destroy, or arrange for the destruction of a client's records within its custody or control containing personal information that is no longer to be retained by Contractor by (1) shredding, (2) erasing, or (3) otherwise modifying the personal information in those records to make it unreadable or undecipherable through any means.

2) Responsibilities of Contractor.

- a) Contractor agrees to safeguards:
 - i) To prevent use or disclosure of PII other than as provided for by this Agreement. Contractor shall provide County with information concerning such safeguards as County may reasonably request from time to time; and
 - 1) Contractor shall restrict logical and physical access to confidential, personal (e.g., PII) or sensitive data to authorized users only; and
 - 1) Contractor shall implement a system to identify appropriate authenticated and authorized persons. If passwords are used in user authentication (e.g., username/password combination), Contractor shall implement strong password controls on all compatible computing systems that are consistent with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication 800-86 and SANS Institute Password Protection Policy.
 - ii) Contractor shall implement the following security controls on each

server, workstation, or portable (e.g. laptop computer) computing device that processes or stores confidential, personal, or sensitive data:

1. Network based firewall or personal firewall; and
 2. Continuously updated anti-virus software; and
 3. Patch-management process including installation of all operating system/software vendor security patches.
- iii) Mitigation of Harmful Effects. Contractor shall mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Contractor of a use or disclosure of PII by Contractor or its subcontractors.
- iv) Agents and Subcontractors of Contractor. The same restrictions and conditions that apply through this Agreement to Contractor, shall also apply to Contractor's subcontractors and agents.
- v) Notification of Electronic Breach or Improper Disclosure. During the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall notify County immediately upon discovery of any breach of PII or data, where the information or data are reasonably believed to have been acquired by an unauthorized person. Immediate notification shall be made to County Privacy Officer, within two business days of discovery, at (530) 621-5565. Contractor shall take prompt corrective action to cure any deficiencies and any action pertaining to such unauthorized disclosure required by applicable Federal and State laws and regulations. Contractor shall investigate such breach and provide a written report of the investigation to County Privacy Officer, postmarked within thirty (30) working days of the discovery of the breach.

H. 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 45 CFR 76 and Contractor further certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that it and its principals or affiliates or any sub-contractor utilized under the Agreement:

- 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 (3)-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 or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.
- 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 the above Paragraph B.
- 4) Have not within a three (3)-year period preceding this Agreement had one or more public transactions (federal, state or local) terminated for cause or default.

5) Shall not knowingly enter in to any lower tier or subrecipient covered transaction with any person(s) who are proposed for debarment under federal regulations (i.e., 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4) or are debarred, suspended, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in such transactions, unless authorized by the state.

6) Shall include a clause titled, "Debarment and Suspension Certification" that essentially sets forth the provisions herein, in all lower tier or subrecipient covered transactions in accordance with 45 CFR Part 76.

If the Contractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, the Contractor shall submit an explanation in writing 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 (<http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/codification/executive-order/12549.html>).

If the Contractor knowingly violates this certification, in addition to other remedies available to the federal and state governments, County may immediately terminate this Agreement for cause or default.

- I. **Accounting Systems and Financial Records:** Contractor shall be required to establish and maintain accounting systems and financial records that accurately account for and reflect all federal funds received, including all matching funds from the State, County and any other local or private organizations. Contractor's records shall reflect the expenditure and accounting of said funds in accordance with all State laws and procedures for expending and accounting for all funds and receivables, as well as meet the financial management standards in 45 CFR Part 92 and in the Office of Management and Budget Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards." More particularly, Contractors are responsible for complying with the Uniform Grants Guidance and 45 CFR Part 92, and the allowability of the costs covered therein. Contractor must obtain written approval from a member of the HHS Executive Management prior to" the expenditure of any "special" or unusual costs in order to avoid possible disallowances or disputes based on any potential unreasonableness or unallowability of expenditures as detailed under the specific cost principles of the Uniform Grants Guidance. In order to obtain the most current regulations, the user should consult not only the latest version of the CFR, but also the List of (CFR) Sections Affected (LSA) issued in the current month. The *Federal Register* home page offers links to both the *Federal Register* and the CFR. Electronic CFR (e-CFR) versions are available online via the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) website. Please note that documents on e-CFR, although updated daily, are unofficial editorial compilations of CFR material and *Federal Register* amendments and on-line versions may not be the most current version available.
- J. **Annual Audit:** Pursuant to the Office of Management and Budget Uniform Grants Guidance, any entity that receives federal funds, as stated in the Uniform Grants Guidance, for the purposes of carrying out federal programs, must complete an annual audit. The funding threshold is aggregate funds from all sources. If requested by County, Contractor shall mail a certified copy of said completed annual audit to County's

Health and Human Services Agency at the address listed in Agreement's "Notice to Parties" Article within thirty (30) days of Contractor's receipt of same. All adverse audit findings must be documented and included with completed annual audit. Certified evidence of correction(s) of adverse audit findings shall be provided to County at the HHSA address listed in Agreement's Article titled "Notice to Parties."

- K. **Lobbying Certification:** The Contractor, by signing this Agreement, hereby certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:
1. No federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the Contractor, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
 2. If any funds other than federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this federal contract, grant, loan or cooperative agreement, the Contractor shall complete and submit Standard Form SF-LLL, OMB Number 0348-0046 "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities" in accordance with its instructions.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. This certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U. S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

- L. **Fingerprinting:** If required by State law of County Ordinance, and pursuant to California Penal Code Section 11105.3(a), "Notwithstanding any other law, a human resource agency or an employer may request from the Department of Justice records of all convictions or any arrest pending adjudication involving the offenses specified in subdivision (1) of Section 15660 of the Welfare and Institutions Code of a person who applies for a license, employment, or volunteer position, in which he or she would have supervisory or disciplinary power over a minor or any person under his or her care." Therefore, Contractor warrants that its employees, subcontractors, assignees, volunteers and any other persons who, while providing services under this Agreement, have or may have supervisory or disciplinary power over any person or minor under his or her care, have been fingerprinted and have had a thorough criminal background check in order to determine whether they have a criminal history that would compromise the safety of persons or minors with whom they have contact in the course of provision of services under this Agreement. Contractor further warrants that said employees, subcontractors, assignees, volunteers and other persons have been cleared by Contractor to perform the services described in this Agreement. All fingerprinting services shall be at Contractor's

sole expense. All employees who perform services under this Agreement also shall be bonded. More specifically, Contractor agrees that:

- 1) Each applicant for paid or volunteer employment by Contractor who shall or may have a supervisory or disciplinary power over a minor or any person under his or her care shall be fingerprinted in order to determine whether they have a criminal history, which would compromise the safety of such minor, or person(s) under his or her care. All fingerprinting shall be at Contractor's sole expense.
- 2) The fingerprinting process as set forth above shall be completed and the results of the process shall be obtained before any of the Contractor's employees, subcontractors, assignees or volunteers are assigned or permitted to work with any minor or person referred to Contractor by County. Alternatively, the Contractor may set a hire date prior to obtaining fingerprinting results contingent on the applicant certifying that: (1) his or her employment application truthfully and completely discloses whether he or she has ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor or been on parole or probation and (2) that the applicant understands that a background check shall be conducted and that he or she shall be immediately dismissed from employment if he or she has failed to provide information regarding convictions, has provided incomplete information regarding convictions, has omitted information regarding convictions or if the fingerprinting results reveal any conviction incompatible with employment with Contractor.
- 3) Contractor shall maintain, and make immediately available to County upon request, a written fingerprint certification for each employee, volunteer or applicant for paid or volunteer employment for whom fingerprinting is required as detailed above. Such certification shall state that the individual has been fingerprinted, shall provide the date of said fingerprinting, and shall state whether the process has disclosed any criminal history of the individual, which may compromise the safety of minors or other persons with whom that individual has contact. Fingerprint information received from Department of Justice (DOJ) by Contractor shall be retained or disposed of pursuant to current DOJ directives.

M. **Litigation:** County, promptly after receiving notice thereof, shall notify the Contractor in writing of the commencement of any claim, suit, or action against the County or State of California or its officers or employees for which the Contractor must provide indemnification under this Agreement. The failure of the County to give such notice, information, authorization, or assistance shall not relieve the Contractor of its indemnification obligations.

Contractor, promptly after receiving notice thereof, shall immediately notify the County in writing of any claim or action against it which affects, or may affect, this Agreement, the terms and conditions hereunder, or the County or State of California, and shall take such action with respect to said claim or action which is consistent with the terms of this Agreement and the interest of the County and State.

N. **Transfer of Records:** In the event that Contractor ceases operation, all physical and electronic files that are subject to audit shall be transferred to the County for proper storage of physical records and electronic data. Contractor shall notify County of impending closure

as soon as such closure has been determined, and provide County with a complete list of records in its possession pertaining to County Clients and operational costs under this Agreement. County shall promptly advise Contractor which records are to be transferred to the custody of County. Contractor shall properly destroy records not transferred to custody of County, and Contractor shall provide documentation of proper destruction of all such records to County.

- O. **Waivers:** Failure of County to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall in no event be considered a waiver of any part of such provision or any other provision contained herein. No waiver by County of any breach or default by Contractor shall operate as a waiver of any succeeding breach of the same terms in the Agreement or other default or breach of any of Contractor's obligations under the Agreement. No waiver shall have any effect unless it is specific, irrevocable, and in writing.
- P. **Bilingual and Linguistic Services:** Contractor agrees to provide access to all clients with "limited English proficiency" to bilingual staff or interpretation services. It is expected that Contractor shall at all times, and at Contractor's sole cost, have the internal capacity to provide the services called for in this Agreement with personnel that have the requisite cultural/linguistic competence required to achieve the purpose of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, access to bilingual interpreters, if needed, to provide services. Contractor further agrees to implement the Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Policy Guidance for recipients of funds from the Federal Health and Human Services Agency at <http://www.lep.gov>. Additional information and resources for servicing persons with LEP can be accessed at <http://www.lep.gov>.
- Q. **Agreements funded by Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funding:** County shall monitor the Contractor's compliance with the provisions of this Agreement, as well as applicable Federal and State laws and regulations. When monitoring activities identify areas of non-compliance, County shall issue reports to the Contractor detailing findings, recommendations, and corrective action. Failure to comply with the required corrective action could lead to civil penalties, as appropriate, pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 9, Sections 1810.380 and 1810.385.

Further, by signing this Agreement, Contractor acknowledges that, as a sub-recipient of Federal and State funding, Contractor is obligated to adhere to all terms and conditions defined in the Agreement in effect at the time services are provided between County and California Department of Health Care Services, "Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Agreement" and the "Performance Agreement." Such terms and conditions are available at <http://www.edcgov.us/HHSForContractors/>¹ Health and Human Services Agency, Contractor Resources.

- R. **Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance:** Pursuant to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Uniform Grants Guidance, all recipients and sub-recipients of federal funds must be provided the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number at the time the contract is awarded. The following are CFDA numbers and program titles for programs administered by the County on behalf of California Department of Social

¹ <http://www.edcgov.us/HHSForContractors/>

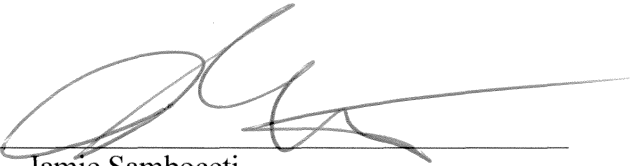
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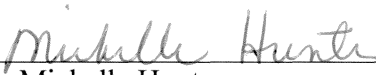
CFDA Number	Federal Award Date	Program Title
93.778	7/1/2016 – 6/30/2017	Medical Assistance Program

ARTICLE XXXII

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: 9/14/16
Jamie Samboceti
Deputy Director, Behavioral Health
Health and Human Services Agency

By:  _____ Dated: 9/15/16
Michelle Hunter
Program Manager, Community Services
Health and Human Services Agency

By:  _____ Dated: 9/16/16
Michael Ungeheuer, RN, MN, PHN
Public Health Nursing Director
Health and Human Services Agency

Requesting Department Head Concurrence:

By: Patricia Charles-Heathers
Patricia Charles-Heathers, Ph.D.
Director
Health and Human Services Agency

Dated: 9-15-16

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the dates indicated below.

-- COUNTY OF EL DORADO --

Dated: _____


By: _____
Ron Mikulaco, Chair
Board of Supervisors
"County"

ATTEST:
James S. Mitrising
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____ Dated: _____
Deputy Clerk

-- CONTRACTOR --

A HELPING HAND HOMECARE, LLC

By:  Dated: PM 8/15/16
A Helping Hand Homecare, LLC
A California Corporation
Its Member
By: Pete Messimore, President
"Contractor"

By:  Dated: 9/15/16
Corporate Secretary

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EL DORADO COUNTY - HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

Mental Health Division

AUTHORIZATION STATEMENT

Services rendered to the Client identified below as requested herein have been authorized by the Health and Human Services Agency Mental Health Division in accordance with the conditions of Agreement for Services #235-S1711.

Client Name:		Date of Birth:	
Address:		Telephone:	
City/State/Zip		Emergency Contact:	

Description of Services	Date of Authorization	
	Start Date	Last Date of Service
Emergency Staffing: As requested by County.		
Homemaker Services: Includes light housekeeping; laundry; removal and replacement of bedding (sheets, pillowcases, blankets, etc.); meal preparation and clean up; grocery shopping; remind/assist with medications; and stand-by ambulation and bathing. <i>Four (4) or more hours of service required.</i>		
Skilled Services: Includes everything listed under Homemaker Services, plus: hands-on assistance with toileting; incontinence care; bathing; dressing; personal hygiene; wound dressing; transfers; and ambulation. Bed-bound clients are repositioned every two (2) hours; receive a "bed bath;" incontinence care; dressing; assistance with feeding; and pain monitoring. <i>Four (4) or more hours of service required.</i>		
Two-to-Three Hour Visit: Services authorized by County within scope of Contractor's service offerings. <i>Two (2) to three (3) hour visit required.</i>		
Bath: Assistance with toileting, sponge/bed bath, bath, or shower; dressing for day or nighttime. Clean up after bathing. Remind/assist with medication(s). Prepare small meal. <i>One and one-half (1 ½) hour required.</i>		
Pop-In Safety Visit: This visit is designed as a safety wellness visit. The care professional will make sure Client is clean and safe, will prepare a small meal, and remind/assist with medication(s). <i>Up to one (1) hour visit.</i>		

Fax Completed Authorization to: A Helping Hand Homecare, LLC

Fax Number: 530-647-0278

Description of Services	Date of Authorization	
Sleep Over: Assistance with toileting, fluids, and medication reminder/assistance. Contractor shall receive five (5) to seven (7) hours of sleep in a private bed. <i>Twelve (12) hours required.</i>		
Twenty-four (24) Hour Visits: Includes all services defined herein, including, but not limited to day-to-day household chores like watering plants inside and out, taking trashcan to the curb, and picking up mail. Contractor shall receive eight (8) hours of sleep in a private bed. <i>Twenty-four (24) hours required.</i>		
Transportation Only: Pick up Client at one location and transport to another location; stay with Client throughout duration of appointment or event; transport back to original location. All travel, including mileage, shall be in accordance with the County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors Travel Policy D-1, attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated by reference herein. <i>Requires 48-72 hour advance notice to schedule transportation.</i>		

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:

Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____
 Contract Administrator, or designee



COUNTY OF EL DORADO, CALIFORNIA
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS POLICY

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BACKGROUND:

This policy applies to County officers and employees as well as members of boards and commissions required to travel in or out of county for the conduct of County business. This policy also provides for expenses of public employees from other jurisdictions when specifically referenced in policy provisions set forth below.

For ease of reference, the Travel Policy is presented in the following sections:

1. General Policy
2. Approvals Required
3. Travel Participants and Number
4. Mode of Transport
5. Reimbursement Rates
 - a. Maximum Rate Policy
 - b. Private Auto
 - c. Meals
 - d. Lodging
 - e. Other
6. Advance Payments
7. Compliance – Responsibility of Claimant
8. Procedures



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POLICY:

1. General Policy
 - a. County officers and employees should not suffer any undue loss when required to travel on official County business, nor should said individuals gain any undue benefit from such travel.
 - b. County officers or employees compelled to travel in the performance of their duties and in the service of the County shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses for transportation, parking, tolls, and other reasonable incidental costs, and shall be reimbursed within maximum rate limits established by the Board of Supervisors for lodging, meals, and private auto use. "Actual and necessary expenses" do not include alcoholic beverages.
 - c. Travel arrangements should be as economical as practical considering the travel purpose, traveler, time frame available to accomplish the travel mission, available transportation and facilities, and time away from other duties.
 - d. Employees must obtain prior authorization for travel, i.e., obtain approvals before incurring costs and before commencing travel.
 - e. Receipts are required for reimbursement of lodging costs, registration fees, public transportation and for other expenses as specified, or as may be required by the County Auditor-Controller.



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- f. Requests for travel authorization and reimbursement shall be processed using forms specified by the County Auditor and Chief Administrative Office.
- g. The Chief Administrative Officer may, at his or her sole discretion, authorize an exception to requirements set forth in this Travel policy, based on extenuating circumstances presented by the appropriate, responsible department head. Any exception granted by the Chief Administrative Office is to be applied on a case-by-case basis and does not set precedent for future policy unless it has been formally adopted by the Board of Supervisors.

2. Approvals Required

- a. Department head approval is required for all travel except by members of the County Board of Supervisors. Department heads may delegate approval authority when such specific delegation is approved by the Chief Administrative Officer. However, it is the expectation of the Chief Administrative Officer that department heads take responsibility for review and approval of travel.
- b. Chief Administrative Office approval is required when travel involves any of the following:
 - (1) Transportation by common carrier (except BART), e.g., air, train, bus.
 - (2) Car rental.



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- (3) Out-of-county overnight travel.
 - (4) Members of boards or commissions, or non-county personnel.
 - (5) Any exceptions required for provisions within this policy, e.g., travel requests not processed prior to travel, requests exceeding expense guidelines or maximums.
- c. It remains the discretion of the Chief Administrative Officer as to whether or not costs of travel which were not authorized in advance will be reimbursed, and whether or not exceptional costs will be reimbursed.
3. Travel Participants and Number
- a. Department heads and assistants should not attend the same out-of-county conference; however, where mitigating circumstances exist, travel requests should be simultaneously submitted to the Chief Administrative Office with a justification memorandum.
 - b. The number of travel participants for each out-of-county event, in most instances, should be limited to one or two staff members, and those individuals should be responsible for sharing information with other interested parties upon return.
 - c. If out-of-county travel involves training or meetings of such technical nature that broader representation would be in the best interest of the County, the department head may submit a memo explaining the situation to the Chief Administrative Office, attached to travel requests, requesting authorization for a group of travelers.



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d. Non-County personnel travel expenses are not normally provided for since only costs incurred by and for county officers and employees on county business are reimbursable. However, reimbursement is allowable for county officers (elected officials and appointed department heads) and employees who have incurred expenses for non-county staff in the following circumstances.

- (1) Meals for persons participating on a Human Resources interview panel when deemed appropriate by the Director of Human Resources.
- (2) Conferences between County officials and consultants, experts, and public officials other than officers of El Dorado County, which are for the purpose of discussing important issues related to County business and policies.
- (3) Transportation expenses for a group of County officers and employees and their consultants, and experts on a field trip to gain information necessary to the conduct of County business.
- (4) Lodging expenses for non-county personnel are NOT reimbursable except when special circumstances are noted and approved in advance by the Chief Administrative Office. Otherwise, such expenses must be part of a service contract in order to be paid.

4. Mode of Transport

- a. Transportation shall be by the least expensive and/or most reasonable means available.



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- b. Private auto reimbursement may be authorized by the department head for county business travel within county and out of county. Reimbursement shall not be authorized for commuting to and from the employee's residence and the employee's main assigned work site, unless required by an executed Memorandum of Understanding between the County and a representing labor organization, or one-time, special circumstances approved by a department head.

- c. Out of county travel by county vehicle or private vehicle may be authorized if the final destination of the trip does not exceed a four (4) hour driving distance from the County offices. Any exception to this policy must receive prior approval from the Chief Administrative Officer. If air travel would be more economical, but the employee prefers to drive even though travel by car would not be in the County's best interest, the County will reimburse transportation equal to the air travel; transportation costs over and above that amount, as well as any extra days of lodging and meals, etc., will be considered a personal, not reimbursable cost of the traveler.

- d. Common carrier travel must be in "Coach" class unless otherwise specifically authorized in advance by the Chief Administrative Officer. Generally, any costs over and above coach class shall be considered a personal, not reimbursable expense of the traveler.
 - (1) Rental cars may be used as part of a trip using public transportation if use of a rental car provides the most economical and practical means of travel. The use of a rental car must be noted on the Travel Authorization in advance and authorized by the Department Head



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and Chief Administrative Officer. Justification for the use of the rental car must accompany that request. Rental car costs will not be reimbursed without prior authorization except in the case of emergencies. Exceptions may be granted at the sole discretion of the Chief Administrative Officer or designated CAO staff.

5. Reimbursement Rates

a. a. Maximum rates for reimbursement may not be exceeded unless due to special circumstances documented by the department head and approved by the Chief Administrative Officer. The amount of any reimbursement above the maximum shall be at the sole discretion of the Chief Administrative Officer.

b. Private Auto

Travel by private auto in the performance of "official County business" shall be reimbursed at the Federal rate as determined by the Internal Revenue Service.

Mileage for travel shall be computed from the employee's designated work place. If travel begins from the employee's residence, mileage shall be calculated from the residence or work place, whichever is less. (For example, an employee who lives in Cameron Park and drives to a meeting in Sacramento, leaving from the residence will be paid for mileage from the residence to Sacramento and back to the residence.)

The mileage reimbursement rate represents full reimbursement, excluding snow chain installation and removal fee, for expenses incurred by a County



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officer or employee (e.g., fuel, normal wear and tear, insurance, etc.) during the use of a personal vehicle in the course of service to El Dorado County.

c. Meals

Actual meal expenses, within maximum allowable rates set forth below, may be reimbursed routinely out-of-county travel, and for in-county overnight travel. Meals will not be provided for in-county travel or meetings which do not involve overnight lodging, unless special circumstances are involved such as the following:

- (1) When meals are approved as part of a program for special training sessions, conferences, and workshops;
- (2) When employees traveling from the western slope of the county to Lake Tahoe and vice-versa are required to spend the entire work day at that location;
- (3) When the Director of Human Resources deems it appropriate to provide meals to a Human Resources interview panel;
- (4) When Senior Managers and/or Executives of El Dorado County or the El Dorado County Water Agency meet with executives of other governmental agencies, community organizations, or private companies in a breakfast, lunch or dinner setting in order to conduct County business. While such meetings are discouraged unless absolutely necessary to the efficient conduct of County or Water Agency business, such expenses for County managers require approval by the Chief Administrative Officer.



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Actual costs of meals may be reimbursed up to a total of \$40 per day without regard to how much is spent on individual meals (e.g., breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks), and without receipts. If an employee is on travel status for less than a full day, costs may be reimbursed for individual meals within the rates shown below.

Breakfasts may be reimbursed only if an employee's travel consists of at least 2 hours in duration before an employee's regular work hours. Dinner may be reimbursed if travel consists of at least 2 hours in duration after an employee's regular work hours.

Maximum Allowable Meal Reimbursement

Breakfast	\$8.00
Lunch	\$12.00
Dinner	\$20.00
Total for full day	\$40.00/day

d. Lodging

- (1) Lodging within county may be authorized by a department head if assigned activities require an employee to spend one or more nights in an area of the county which is distant from their place of residence (e.g., western slope employee assigned to 2-day activity in South Lake Tahoe).
- (2) Lodging may be reimbursed up to \$125 per night, plus tax, single occupancy. The Chief Administrative Office may approve extraordinary costs above these limits on a case by case basis when



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the responsible department head and Chief Administrative Office determine that higher cost is unavoidable, or is in the best interest of the County.

- (3) Single rates shall prevail except when the room is occupied by more than one County employee. However, nothing in this policy shall be construed to require employees to share sleeping accommodations while traveling on County business. In all travel, employees are expected to secure overnight accommodations as economically as possible and practical.
- (4) Lodging arrangements should be made, whenever possible and practicable, at hotels/motels which offer a government discount, will waive charges to counties for Transient Occupancy Tax, or at which the County has established an account. When staying at such a facility, the name of the employee and the department must appear on the receipt of the hotel/motel bill.

e. Other Expenses

All other reasonable and necessary expenses (i.e., parking, shuttle, taxi, etc.) will be reimbursed at cost if a receipt is submitted with the claim.

Receipts are required except for those charges where receipts are not customarily issued, for example, bridge tolls and snow chain installation and removal fees. When specific cost guidelines are not provided by the county, reasonableness of the expense shall be considered by the



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department head and Chief Administrative Officer before deciding whether to approve.

Reasonable costs for snow chain installation and removal may be claimed and reimbursed. The purchase cost of snow chains would not be an allowable charge against the county.

6. Advance Payments

The Auditor may provide advance funds for estimated “out of pocket” expenses up to seventy-five percent (75%), but no less than \$50.00. The “out of pocket” expenses may include meals, taxi and public transportation, lodging, parking, and pre-registration costs.

7. Compliance - Claimant Responsibility

It is the responsibility of the claimant to understand and follow all policies and procedures herein in order to receive reimbursement for mileage, travel and expense claims. Any form completed improperly or procedure not followed may result in the return of a claim without reimbursement.

8. Procedures:

- a. Authorization to incur expenses must be obtained as set forth in this County policy, and as may be directed by the department.
- b. Requests for advance funds for anticipated travel expenses itemized on the Travel Authorization Request form are obtained by indicating this need on that form prior to processing the request.



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- c. Forms which require Chief Administrative Office approval should be submitted to the Chief Administrative Office, after department head approval, at least 7 to 10 days prior to travel to allow time for processing through County Administration and Auditor's Department.
- d. Cancellation of travel, requires that any advanced funds be returned to the Auditor Controller's office within five (5) working days of the scheduled departure date. If the advance is not returned within this time frame, the employee could jeopardize their standing to receive advances in the future.
- e. Travel Claims are due to the Auditor within 30 days after completion of travel. Personal Mileage and Expense Claims are due to the Auditor within 15 days after the end of each calendar month. The due date may be extended if deemed appropriate by the County Auditor. Claims must itemize expenses as indicated on claim forms, and must be processed with receipts attached.
- f. Reimbursements will be provided expeditiously by the County Auditor upon receipt of properly completed claim forms. The Auditor's Office shall promptly review claims to determine completeness, and if found incomplete, will return the request to the claimant noting the areas of deficiency.
- g. Personal Mileage and Expense Claim forms should be completed for each calendar month, one month per claim form. These monthly claims are due to the Auditor within 15 days following the month end; however, the deadline may be extended if deemed appropriate by the County Auditor. If monthly amounts to be claimed are too small to warrant processing at the



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end of a month (i.e., if cost of processing would exceed the amount being claimed), the claims for an individual may be accumulated and processed in a batch when a reasonable claim amount has accrued. In any event, such claims shall be made and submitted to the County Auditor for accounting and payment within the same fiscal year as the expense was incurred.

h. Expense Claim Form

For the purpose of travel and meeting expenses, the claim form is to be used for payments to vendors. The employee must obtain Department Head approval and submit the claim to the Auditor's Office within sixty (60) days of the incurred expense.

Exhibit C
Travel Log

Date	Employee	Destination / Purpose	Leave Time	Start Mileage	Return Time	End Mileage	Employee Initial

Exhibit D

HIPAA Business Associate Agreement

This 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 (hereinafter referred to as Business Associate (“BA”) entered into the Underlying Agreement pursuant to which BA 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 disclosed to BA for the purposes of carrying out its obligations under the Underlying Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the County and BA intend to protect the privacy and provide for the security of PHI and EPHI disclosed to BA pursuant to the Agreement in compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, Pub. L. No.104-191 of 1996 (“HIPAA”), the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act, Public Law 111-005 (the “HITECH” Act), and regulation promulgated thereunder by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (the “HIPAA Regulations”) and other applicable laws as may be amended from time to time; and

WHEREAS, County is a Covered Entity, as defined in the Privacy Rule and Security Rule, including but not limited to 45 CFR Section 160.103 ; and

WHEREAS, BA, when a recipient of PHI from County, is a Business Associate as defined in the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule, and the HITECH Act, including but not limited to 42 USC Section 17938 and 45 CFR Section 160.103; 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);

WHEREAS, “Breach” shall have the meaning given to such term under the HITECH Act under 42 USC Section 17921; and

WHEREAS, “Unsecured PHI” shall have the meaning to such term under the HITECH Act and any guidance issued pursuant to such Act including, but not limited to 42 USC Section 17932(h).

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 BA of County Disclosed PHI

- A. BA shall not disclose PHI except for the purposes of performing BA's obligations under the Underlying Agreement. Further, BA shall not use PHI in any manner that would constitute a violation of the minimum necessary policies and procedures of the County, Privacy Rule, Security Rule, or the HITECH Act.
- 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, BA 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 BA's proper management and administration or to fulfill any legal responsibilities of BA, or as required by law
 - (3) Disclose PHI as necessary for BA's operations only if:
 - (a) Prior to making a disclosure to a third party, BA will obtain written assurances from such third party including:
 - (i) To hold such PHI in confidence and use or further disclose it only for the purpose of which BA disclosed it to the third party, or as required by law; and,
 - (ii) The third party will immediately notify BA of any breaches of confidentiality of PHI to extent it has obtained knowledge of such breach.
 - (4) 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.
 - (5) Not disclose PHI disclosed to BA 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.
 - (6) De-identify any and all PHI of County received by BA 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. BA 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 BA. In connection with its use of PHI disclosed by County to BA, BA agrees to:

- A. Implement appropriate administrative, technical, and physical safeguards as are necessary to prevent use or disclosure of PHI other than as permitted by the Agreement that reasonably and appropriately protects the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the PHI in accordance with 45 CFR 164.308,164.310,164.312, and 164.504(e)(2). BA shall comply with the policies, procedures, and documentation requirements of the HIPAA Security Rule.

- B. Report to County within 24 hours of any suspected or actual breach of security, intrusion, or unauthorized use or disclosure of PHI of which BA becomes aware and/or any actual or suspected use or disclosure of data in violation of any applicable federal or state laws or regulations. BA shall take prompt corrective action to cure any such deficiencies and any action pertaining to such unauthorized disclosure required by applicable federal and state laws and regulations.
 - C. Report to County in writing of any access, use, or disclosure of PHI not permitted by the Underlying Agreement and this Business Associate Agreement, and any Breach of Unsecured PHI of which it becomes aware without unreasonable delay and in no case later than five (5) days. To the extent the Breach is solely a result of BA's failure to implement reasonable and appropriate safeguards as required by law, and not due in whole or part to the acts or omissions of the County, BA may be required to reimburse the County for notifications required under 45 CFR 164.404 and CFR 164.406.
 - D. BA shall not use or disclose PHI for fundraising or marketing purposes. BA shall not disclose PHI to a health plan for payment or health care operations purposes if the patient has requested this special restriction, and has paid out of pocket in full for the health care item or service to which the PHI solely relates. BA shall not directly or indirectly receive remuneration in exchange of PHI, except with the prior written consent of the County and as permitted by the HITECH Act, 42 USC Section 17935(d)(2); however, this prohibition shall not affect payment by County to BA for services provided pursuant to the Agreement.
4. PHI Access, Amendment, and Disclosure Accounting. BA 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. If BA maintains an Electronic Health Record, BA shall provide such information in electronic format to enable County to fulfill its obligations under the HITECH Act, including, but not limited to, 42 USC Section 17935(e).
 - B. Within ten (10) days of receipt of a request from County, incorporate any amendments or corrections to the PHI in accordance with the Privacy Rule in the event that the PHI in BA's possession constitutes a Designated Record Set.
 - C. To assist the County in meeting its disclosure accounting under HIPAA:
 - (1) BA agrees to implement a process that allows for an accounting to be collected and maintained by BA and its agents or subcontractors for at least six (6) years prior to the request. However, accounting of disclosure from Electronic Health Record for treatment, payment, or health care operations purposes are required to be collected and maintained for only three (3) years prior to the request, and only to the extent that BA maintains an electronic health record and is subject to this requirement. At the minimum, the information collected shall include: (i) the date of disclosure; (ii) the name of the entity or person who received PHI and, if known, the address of the entity or person; (iii) a brief description of PHI disclosed and; (iv) a brief statement of purpose of the disclosure that reasonably informs the individual of the basis for the disclosure, or a copy

of the individual's authorization, or a copy of the written request for disclosure.

- (2) Within in 30 days of notice by the County, BA agrees to provide to County 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.
 - D. Make available to the County, or to the Secretary of Health and Human Services (the "Secretary") , BA's internal practices, books and records relating to the use of and disclosure of PHI for purposes of determining BA's compliance with the Privacy Rule, subject to any applicable legal restrictions. BA shall provide County a copy of any PHI that BA provides to the Secretary concurrently with providing such information to the Secretary.
5. Obligations of County.
 - A. County agrees that it will promptly notify BA in writing of any restrictions on the use and disclosure of PHI agreed to by County that may affect BA's ability to perform its obligations under the Underlying Agreement, or this Business Associate Agreement.
 - B. County agrees that it will promptly notify BA 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 BA's ability to perform its obligations under the Underlying Agreement, or this Business Associate Agreement.
 - C. County agrees that it will promptly notify BA in writing of any known limitation(s) in its notice of privacy practices to the extent that such limitation may affect BA's use of disclosure of PHI.
 - D. County shall not request BA 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 BA 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 BA, or created or received by BA 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 BA, the County shall either:
 - (1) Provide an opportunity for the BA to cure the breach or end the violation and terminate this Agreement if the BA does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by the County.
 - (2) Immediately terminate this Agreement if the BA 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 BA shall, at the option of County, return or destroy all PHI that BA or its agents or subcontractors still maintain in any form, and shall retain no copies of such PHI.
 - (2) In the event that the County determines that returning or destroying the PHI is infeasible, BA shall provide to the County notification of the conditions that make return or destruction infeasible, and BA shall extend the protections of this Agreement to such PHI to those purposes that make the return or destruction infeasible, for so long as the BA maintains such PHI. If County elects destruction of the PHI, BA shall certify in writing to County that such PHI has been destroyed.

7. Indemnity

- A. BA 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 (collectively "County") from any liability whatsoever, based or asserted upon any services of BA, its officers, employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives arising out of or in any way relating to BA's performance under 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 to the extent arising from the performance of BA, its officers, agents, employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives under this Business Associate Agreement. BA 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 against the County in any claim or action based upon such alleged acts or omissions.
- B. With respect to any action or claim subject to indemnification herein by BA, BA shall, at its sole cost, have the right to use counsel of its 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 BA's indemnification of County as set forth herein. BA's obligation to defend, indemnify and hold harmless County shall be subject to County having given BA 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 BA's expense, for the defense or settlement thereof. BA's obligation hereunder shall be satisfied when BA has provided to County the appropriate form of dismissal relieving County from any liability for the action or claim involved.
- C. The specified insurance limits required in the Underlying Agreement of this Business Associate Agreement shall in no way limit or circumscribe BA's obligations to indemnify and hold harmless the County herein from third party claims arising from the issues of this Business Associate Agreement.

- D. 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 Section 2782. Such interpretation shall not relieve the BA from indemnifying the County to the fullest extent allowed by law.
- E. 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.