

AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES #6416

Adult Residential Care 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&A Health Services, LLC, a Limited Liability Corporation doing business as A&A Health Services, San Pablo, duly qualified to conduct business in the State of California, whose principal place of business is 3201 Danville Boulevard, Suite 265, Alamo, CA 94507 (hereinafter referred to as "Contractor");

RECITALS

WHEREAS, County has determined that it is necessary to obtain a Contractor to provide long-term twenty-four (24) hour program and facilities for mentally ill adults (hereinafter referred to as "Client" or "Clients") on an "as requested" basis for 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 described in **Article I, "Scope of Services;"** that it is an independent and bona fide business operation, advertises and holds itself as such, is in possession of a valid business license, and is customarily engaged in an independently established business that provides similar services to others; and County relies upon those representations; and

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

WHEREAS, County has determined that the provision of such services provided by Contractor are in the public's best interest and that there are specialty skills, qualifications, and equipment not expressly identified in County classifications involved in the performance of the work in accordance with El Dorado County Ordinance Code, Chapter 3.13.030(b), El Dorado County 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. Contractor Responsibilities:

1. Contractor agrees that services provided shall be in accordance with all governing regulations or requirements herein this Agreement, which shall have the meaning as they are currently interpreted, or as may be amended during the term of this Agreement.

2. Contractor agrees to furnish facility(ies) licensed by the California Department of Social Services, Community Care Licensing Division in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 1569.2(g); personnel, and services necessary to provide long-term twenty-four (24) hour programs and facilities for Clients over the age of eighteen (18) years on an “as requested” basis for the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA). Such services provided shall be in accordance with all applicable provision of Title 9 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR) and Title 22, Division 6.
3. Contractor agrees to maintain individual client records in accordance with State and County requirements.
4. Contractor agrees to allow access to the facility, to the extent authorized by law, by County and State staff for client assessment, monitoring, record review, and consultation.
5. Contractor agrees to cooperate with County staff in developing a client service plan to meet the goals, objectives, and activities subsequent to referral and authorization for placement by the County.
6. Contractor agrees to maintain the capability to meet the specialized needs of mentally disordered adults, as identified by the County and in the facility’s program plan.
7. Supplemental Residential Care Services: Provide Supplemental Residential Care Services as defined in CCR, Title 9, Section 549.
8. Client Eligibility: Patients served under this Agreement must be between the ages of eighteen (18) and sixty-four (64) years of age, and eligible for mental health services in conformance with all applicable Federal and State statutes. A subset of clients may be over the age of sixty-five (65).
9. Referral for admission to facility: Clients must be referred by the HHSA Behavioral Health Division. Referrals for admission to Contractor’s facility must be approved by Contractor. Contractor shall not be required to accept referrals if it determined that there is insufficient bed capacity. Contractor shall not be required to accept referrals for treatment of individuals housed in jail, or other penal institutions. Contractor reserves the right to deny any referral at the sole discretion of the Contractor.
10. Contractor’s “**Direct Client Services**” are outlined in **Exhibit A**, attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

B. County Responsibilities:

1. County shall refer Clients to Contractor in accordance with agreed-upon processes.
2. County shall participate with Contractor in the co-development of a Service Plan for each Client within thirty (30) days of admission.
3. County shall participate with Contractor in the co-development of a discharge or transfer plan as applicable.
4. County shall provide a “**Bed Hold Authorization**” form, attached hereto as **Exhibit B**, and incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof, each time a Client is absent from the Contractor’s facility and requires that a bed be kept available for their return.

ARTICLE II

Term: This Agreement shall become effective upon final execution by both parties hereto and shall continue through August 31, 2025, unless terminated earlier pursuant to the provisions contained herein below in the Article(s) titled “Fiscal Considerations” or “Default, Termination, and Cancellation.”

ARTICLE III

Compensation for Services:

A. Supplemental Residential Care Services Rates:

1. Contractor's Residential Rates are set forth in **Exhibit C, "Rate Schedule,"** attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein. The amount reimbursed by County will be the balance between the Residential Share of Cost, as outlined in this article Item B, and the rates set forth in **Exhibit C**. Prorated payments shall be paid based on Client's length of stay at a daily rate for partial months.
2. Notice of rate changes shall be submitted, in writing, to the address noted in the Article titled, "Notice to Parties." Said notice shall be provided at least thirty (30) days in advance of a 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.
3. Rates shall be negotiable, on a case by case basis, for Clients that require a high level of care. Requests for a negotiated rate shall be submitted in writing to the Contract Administrator. A revised rate shall not be billed until Contractor receives HHSA's written approval of the rate and the effective date.

B. Residential Share of Cost: For Clients who receive Social Security Income ("SSI") benefits, or have sufficient alternative income, Client/Client's payee is required to pay current SSI/SSP monthly rate. Partial months shall be prorated by Client's length of stay at a daily rate not to exceed SSI/SSP benefit.

- For Clients who do not receive SSI benefits, or have insufficient income to pay their residential share of cost, County will pay the full amount of the current rate SSI/SSP monthly rate until the Client begins to receive SSI benefits or income from an alternative source. At that time, the responsibility for this additional payment will return to the Client/Client's payee. Should retroactive SSI benefits or other income be received by Contractor on behalf of Client for any period during which County paid this residential share of cost, County will be reimbursed by Contractor for such payments.

C. Bed Holds: Holding a bed while a Client is absent from the facility shall require written pre-authorization by the County Contract Administrator in the form of a **Bed Hold Authorization** form (**Exhibit B**). Bed holds shall be paid at the rate as established in **Exhibit C, "Rate Schedule."** In the event a bed hold exceeds fourteen (14) days, further authorization requires the approval of the HHSA Director or designee.

D. It is expressly understood and agreed between the parties hereto that the County shall make no payment for County Clients and have no obligation to make payment to Contractor unless the services provided by Contractor hereunder received prior written authorization from the County. It is further agreed that County shall make no payments for services unless Contractor has provided County with evidence of insurance as outlined in the Article titled, "Insurance" hereof. County may provide retroactive authorization when special circumstances exist, as determined by the HHSA Director, or designee.

E. Invoices/Remittances: It is a requirement of this Agreement that Contractor shall submit an original invoice, similar in content and format with the Invoice Template, incorporated by reference herein, and available at: https://www.edcgov.us/Government/hhsa/Pages/hhsa_contractor_resources.aspx. Itemized invoices shall follow the format specified by County and shall reference this Agreement number on their faces and on any enclosures or backup documentation. Copies of documentation attached to invoices shall reflect Contractor's charges for the specific services billed on those invoices.

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

Email (preferred method):	U.S. Mail:
<p data-bbox="386 300 667 327"><u>BHinvoice@edcgov.us</u></p> <p data-bbox="326 331 727 363">Please include in the subject line:</p> <p data-bbox="277 367 776 432">"Contract #, Service Month, Description / Program"</p>	<p data-bbox="951 300 1203 327">County of El Dorado</p> <p data-bbox="862 331 1292 363">Health and Human Services Agency</p> <p data-bbox="967 367 1187 394">Attn: Finance Unit</p> <p data-bbox="927 399 1227 426">3057 Briw Road, Suite B</p> <p data-bbox="911 430 1243 464">Placerville, CA 95667-5321</p>

or to such other location as County directs.

For services provided herein, including any deliverables that may be identified herein, 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 Article I, "Responsibilities." For all satisfactory services provided herein, County agrees to pay Contractor monthly in arrears and within forty-five (45) days following the County's receipt and approval of itemized invoice(s) identifying services rendered. County may withhold or delay any payment if Contractor fails to comply with any provision of this Agreement.

1. **Supplemental Invoices:** For the purpose of this Agreement, supplemental invoices shall be defined as invoices submitted for additional services rendered during a month for which a prior invoice has already been submitted to County. Supplemental invoices should include the standard invoice format with description of services rendered and a detailed explanation why the invoice was not submitted in the approved timeframe.
 - For those situations where a service is disallowed by County on an invoice, or inadvertently not submitted on an invoice, and a corrected invoice is later submitted ("Supplemental Invoice"), Supplemental Invoices for services provided during the period July 1st through June 30th for each fiscal year of this Agreement and received by County after July 31 of the subsequent fiscal year, shall be neither accepted nor paid by the County. Requests for exceptions to pay an invoice received after July 31 of the subsequent year, must be submitted in writing and must be approved by HHSA's Chief Fiscal Officer.

ARTICLE IV

Maximum Obligation: The maximum contractual obligation under this Agreement shall not exceed \$3,300,000 for all of the stated services during the term of the Agreement.

In the event that Contractor fails to deliver the documents or other deliverables required herein, County at its sole option may delay the monthly payment for the period of time of the delay, cease all payments until such time as the deliverables are received, or proceed as set forth herein below in Article titled, "Default, Termination, and Cancellation." In no event shall County be obligated to pay Contractor for any amount above the Maximum Obligation of this Agreement.

ARTICLE V

Cost Report:

- A. The Cost Report template is distributed by the State. Contractor shall submit an annual Cost Report to County within thirty (30) days of distribution of the Cost Report template by the State or by September 30 following the fiscal period in which the costs were incurred, whichever is later. A fiscal period shall be defined as July 1 through June 30 (Fiscal Year). Contractor shall prepare the Cost Report in accordance with all federal, State, and County requirements, following Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, as well as with the State Department of Health Care Services Cost and Financial Reporting System Local Program Financial Support Instruction Manual, incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein. Contractor shall allocate direct and indirect costs to and between programs, cost centers, services, and funding sources in accordance with such requirements and consistent with prudent business practice. Contractor shall maintain source documentation of costs and allocations, and said documentation shall be available at any time to County upon reasonable notice.

It is agreed between County and Contractor that the provisional base compensation stated in this Agreement is intended to approximate the Contractor's actual costs. Should the actual costs as determined in the Cost Report for the fiscal period be less than the provisional costs, Contractor agrees to reimburse County for all amounts paid in excess of the actual rate. Contractor may not reduce the invoice amounts to cover the amount of the reimbursement owed to the County but shall remit reimbursement to the County no later than thirty (30) days following the final submission of the cost report to the Contractor. Costs will be settled to the lesser of actual and allowable costs, and not exceeding the maximum amount of this Agreement.

If Contractor fails to submit an accurate and complete Cost Report as indicated above in section A., the County shall withhold payments to Contractor under this Agreement beginning February following the fiscal period in which the costs were incurred and until Contractor submits an accurate and complete Cost Report.

- B. Contractor will reimburse County, as indicated in the County/State Final Cost Settlement. Settlement shall not exceed Contractor's actual direct and indirect costs, of which indirect costs may include operating income, nor shall costs exceed the Base Compensation for the Fiscal Year in which the costs were incurred. Reimbursement shall be processed thirty (30) days after the State issues its report. County shall notify Contractor of the issuance of the State's report.

ARTICLE VI

Audits, Compliance, and Monitoring:

- A. Contractor shall provide a copy of any Audit to County within thirty (30) days of completion of said audit.
- B. Audits and compliance monitoring by any representative of the Federal government, State government, or County may include the review of any and all terms related to this Agreement. Audits or monitoring by the County may be performed by way of annual Contract Monitoring Surveys. Contractors receiving a Contract Monitoring Survey shall, within sixty (60) days of receipt, complete and return the survey along with all documentation, details, and supporting materials required by the survey or otherwise necessary for the County to verify compliance with

the terms and conditions of the Agreement. Failure to return the survey within the specified time period may result in the withholding of payment from the Contractor until such time as compliance with the terms of the Agreement can be verified. Verifying compliance may necessitate additional on-site reviews should information submitted by the Contractor be deemed insufficient or inaccurate.

- C. All files, records, documents, sites, and personnel are subject to review by representatives from County, State or Federal government.
- D. Upon notification of an exception or finding of non-compliance, the Contractor shall submit evidence of Corrective Action within thirty (30) days, or as otherwise specified in the notice of required corrective action provided by the County. Continued non-compliance beyond due date for submission of Corrective Action may lead to termination of this Agreement in accordance with the Article titled "Default, Termination, and Cancellation."
- E. Failure by County to notify or require Corrective Action does not constitute acceptance of the practice of waiver of the County's right to enforce.

ARTICLE VII

Nondiscrimination:

- A. County may require Contractor's services on projects involving funding from various state and/or federal agencies, and as a consequence, Contractor shall comply with all applicable nondiscrimination statutes and regulations during the performance of this Agreement including but not limited to the following: Contractor and its employees and representatives shall not unlawfully discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, age, or sex; Contractor shall, unless exempt, comply with the applicable provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code, Sections 12900 et seq.) and applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (CCR, Title 2, Sections 7285.0 et seq.); the applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Government Code, Section 12990, set forth in Chapter 5 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the CCR incorporated into this Agreement by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full; and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, the California Family Rights Act (Government Code Section 12945.2), the Unruh Civil Rights Act (California Civil Code, Division I, Part 2, Section 51, et seq), the Ralph Civil Rights Act (California Civil Code, Division I, Part 2, Section 51.7), the California Trafficking Victims Protection Act (California Civil Code, Division I, Part 2, Section 52.5), the Disabled Persons Act (California Civil Code, Division I, Part 2.5), and as applicable, Section 11135 et. seq., of the California Government Code, prohibiting discrimination in all state-funded programs. Contractor and its employees and representatives shall give written notice of their obligations under this clause as required by law.
- B. Where applicable, Contractor shall include these nondiscrimination and compliance provisions in any of its agreements that affect or are related to the services performed herein.
- C. Contractor's signature shall provide any certifications necessary under the federal laws, the laws of the State of California, including but not limited to Government Code Section 12990 and Title 2, California Code of Regulations, Section 11102.

D. Contractor shall comply with **Exhibit D**, "Vendor Assurance of Compliance with the County of El Dorado Health and Human Services Agency Nondiscrimination in State and Federally Assisted Programs," attached hereto, incorporated by reference herein, and thus made a part hereof. Contractor shall acknowledge compliance by signing and returning **Exhibit D** upon request by County.

ARTICLE VIII

Executive Order N-6-22 – Russia Sanctions: On March 4, 2022, Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-6-22 (the EO) regarding Economic Sanctions against Russia and Russian entities and individuals. "Economic Sanctions" refers to sanctions imposed by the U.S. government in response to Russia's actions in Ukraine, as well as any sanctions imposed under state law. The EO directs state agencies to terminate contracts with, and to refrain from entering any new contracts with, individuals or entities that are determined to be a target of Economic Sanctions. If this Agreement is funded by state funds and the County determines Contractor is a target of Economic Sanctions or is conducting prohibited transactions with sanctioned individuals or entities, that shall be grounds for termination of this agreement. The County shall provide Contractor advance written notice of such termination, allowing Contractor at least thirty (30) calendar days to provide a written response. Termination shall be at the sole discretion of the County.

ARTICLE IX

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 X

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 XI

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 understood that this Agreement does not create an exclusive relationship between County and Contractor, and Contractor may perform similar work or services for others. However, Contractor shall not enter into any agreement with any other party, or provide any information in any manner to any other party, that would conflict with Contractor's responsibilities or hinder Contractor's performance of services hereunder, unless County's Contract Administrator, in writing, authorizes that agreement or sharing of information.

ARTICLE XII

Confidentiality: Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality and privileged nature of all records, including billing records, together with any knowledge therein acquired, in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations, as they may now exist or may hereafter be amended

or changed. Contractor, and all Contractor's staff, employees, and representatives, shall not use or disclose, directly or indirectly at any time, any said confidential information, other than to County's Contract Administrator for the purpose of, and in the performance of, this Agreement. This confidentiality provision shall survive after the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement.

ARTICLE XIII

HIPAA Compliance: As a condition of Contractor performing services for the County of El Dorado, Contractor shall execute that Business Associate Agreement which is attached hereto as **Exhibit E** and incorporated by reference herein.

ARTICLE XIV

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.

In the event Contractor receives written consent to subcontract services under this Agreement, Contractor is required to ensure subcontractor remains in compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. In addition, Contractor is required to monitor subcontractor's compliance with said terms and conditions, and provide written evidence of monitoring to County upon request.

ARTICLE XV

Independent Contractor: The parties intend that an independent contractor relationship will be created by this contract. 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 the terms of this Agreement. Contractor exclusively assumes responsibility for acts of its employees, agents, affiliates, and subcontractors, if any are authorized herein, as they relate to the services or work to be performed under this Agreement during the course and scope of their employment by Contractor. Those persons will be entirely and exclusively under the direction, supervision, and control of Contractor.

County may designate the tasks to be performed and the results to be accomplished under this Agreement, provide information concerning the work or services, approve or disapprove the final work product and/or services provided, and set deadlines for the completion of the work or services, but County will not control or direct the manner, means, methods, or sequence in which Contractor performs the work or services for accomplishing the results.

Contractor, including any subcontractor or employees of Contractor, shall not receive, nor be eligible for, any benefits County provides for its employees, including, but not limited to, vacation pay, paid holidays, life insurance, health insurance, social security, disability insurance, pension, or 457 plans. Contractor shall not receive, nor be eligible for, workers' compensation, including medical and indemnity payments. County is not responsible for withholding, and shall not withhold, Federal Income Contribution Act amounts or taxes of any kind from any payments which it owes Contractor. Contractor shall not be subject to the work schedules or vacation periods that apply to County employees.

Contractor shall be solely responsible for paying its employees, and for withholding Federal Income Contribution Act amounts and other taxes, workers' compensation, unemployment compensation, medical insurance, life insurance, or any other benefit that Contractor provides for its employees.

Contractor acknowledges that it has no authority to bind the County or incur any obligations on behalf of the County with regard to any matter, and shall not make any agreements or representations on the County's behalf.

ARTICLE XVI

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 XVII

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 §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 XVIII

Default, Termination, and Cancellation:

- A. Termination by Default: If either party becomes aware of an event of default, that party shall give written notice of said default to the party in default that shall state the following:
1. The alleged default and the applicable Agreement provision.
 2. That the party in default has ten (10) days upon receiving the notice to cure the default (Time to Cure).

If the party in default does not cure the default within ten (10) days of the Time to Cure, then such party shall be in default and the party giving notice may terminate the Agreement by issuing a Notice of Termination. The party giving notice may extend the Time to Cure at their discretion. 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 in which the extension of Time to Cure expires.

If County terminates this Agreement, in whole or in part, for default:

1. County reserves the right to procure the goods or services, or both, similar to those terminated, from other sources and Contractor shall be liable to County for any excess costs for those goods or services. County may deduct from any payment due, or that may thereafter become due to Contractor, the excess costs to procure from an alternate source.
2. County shall pay Contractor the sum due to Contractor under this Agreement prior to termination, unless the cost of completion to County exceeds the funds remaining in the Agreement. In which case the overage shall be deducted from any sum due Contractor under this Agreement and the balance, if any, shall be paid to Contractor upon demand.
3. County may require Contractor to transfer title and deliver to County any completed work under the Agreement.

The following shall be events of default under this Agreement:

1. Failure by either party to perform in a timely and satisfactory manner any or all of its obligations under this Agreement.
 2. A representation or warranty made by Contractor in this Agreement proves to have been false or misleading in any respect.
 3. Contractor fails to observe and perform any covenant, condition or agreement on its part to be observed or performed under this Agreement, unless County agrees, in writing, to an extension of the time to perform before that time period expires.
 4. A violation of the Article titled "Conflict of Interest."
- B. Bankruptcy: County may terminate this Agreement immediately in the case of bankruptcy, voluntary or involuntary, or insolvency of Contractor.
- C. Ceasing Performance: County may terminate this Agreement immediately 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, for convenience upon thirty (30) calendar days' written Notice of Termination. If such termination is effected, County will pay for satisfactory services rendered before the effective date of termination, as set forth in the Notice of Termination provided to Contractor, and for any other services that County agrees, in writing, to be necessary for contract resolution. In no event, however, shall County be obligated to pay more than the total amount of the Agreement. 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 XIX

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, Suite B
Placerville, CA 95667
ATTN: Contracts Unit
HHSa-contracts@edcgov.us

Or to such other location as the County directs.

With a copy to:

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

Notices to Contractor shall be addressed as follows:

A&A HEALTH SERVICES, SAN PABLO
3201 Danville, Blvd., Suite 265
Alamo, CA 94507
ATTN: Chief Executive Officer, or successor
Betty@alamoseniorliving.com

Or to such other location as the Contractor directs.

ARTICLE XX

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 herein above 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 XXI

Indemnity: To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall defend at its own expense, indemnify, and hold the County harmless, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers, against and from any and all liability, claims, suits, losses, damages, or expenses 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 acts or omissions of Contractor or its officers, agents, or employees in rendering the services, operations, or performance hereunder, except for liability, claims, suits, losses, damages or expenses arising from the sole negligence or willful acts of the County, its officers and employees, or as expressly prescribed by statute. This duty of Contractor to indemnify and save County harmless includes the duties to defend set forth in California Civil Code Section 2778.

ARTICLE XXII

Litigation:

- A. 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.
- B. 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.

ARTICLE XXIII

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 Workers' 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. In the event said insurance coverage expires at any time or times during the term of this Agreement, Contractor agrees to provide at least thirty (30) days prior to said expiration date, a new certificate of insurance evidencing insurance coverage as provided for herein for not less than the remainder of term of the Agreement, or for a period of not less than one (1) year. New certificates of insurance are subject to the approval of Risk Management and Contractor agrees that no work or services shall be performed prior to the giving of such approval. In the event the Contractor fails to keep in effect at all times insurance coverage as herein provided, County may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, terminate this Agreement upon the occurrence of such event.

- H. The certificate of insurance must include the following provisions stating that:
1. The insurer will not cancel the insured's coverage without prior written notice to County, and;
 2. 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 XXIV

Force Majeure: Neither party will be liable for any delay, failure to perform, or omission under this Agreement that is due to any cause that it is beyond its control, not due to its own negligence, and cannot be overcome by the exercise of due diligence. In that event, the affected party will:

1. Promptly give written notice to the other of the fact that it is unable to so perform and the cause(s) that is beyond its control; and
2. Once the cause(s) has ceased, provide written notice to the other party and immediately resume its performance under this Agreement.

For purposes of this Article, "cause that is beyond its control" includes labor disturbances, riots, fires, earthquakes, floods, storms, lightning, epidemics, war, disorders, hostilities, expropriation or confiscation of properties, failure of and delays by carriers, interference by civil or military authorities, whether legal or de facto, and whether purporting to act under some constitution, decree, or law, or otherwise, or acts of God.

ARTICLE XXV

Waiver: No failure on the part of the parties to exercise any rights under this Agreement, and no course of dealing with respect to any right hereunder, shall operate as a waiver of that right, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right preclude the exercise of any other right. The remedies herein provided are cumulative and are not exclusive of any other remedies provided by law.

ARTICLE XXVI

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 titled "Default, Termination and Cancellation."

ARTICLE XXVII

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 XXVIII

County Payee Data Record Form: All independent Contractors or corporations providing services to County who do not have a Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (Form W-9) on file with County must file a County Payee Data Record Form with County.

ARTICLE XXIX

County Business License: County's Business License Ordinance provides that 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 Ordinance Code Section 5.08.070. Contractor warrants and represents that it shall comply with all of the requirements of County's Business License Ordinance, where applicable, prior to beginning work under this Agreement and at all times during the term of this Agreement.

ARTICLE XXX

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 XXXI

Administrator: The County Officer or employee with responsibility for administering this Agreement is Lesly Van Sloten, LMFT, Manager of Mental Health Programs, Behavioral Health Division, or successor.

ARTICLE XXXII

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 XXXIII

Electronic Signatures: Each party agrees that the electronic signatures, whether digital or encrypted, of the parties included in this Agreement, are intended to authenticate this writing and to have the same force and effect as manual signatures. Electronic Signature means any electronic visual symbol or signature attached to or logically associated with a record and executed and adopted by a party with the intent to sign such record, including facsimile or email electronic signatures, pursuant to the California Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (Cal. Civ. Code §§ 1633.1 to 1633.17) as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE XXXIV

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 XXXV

California Forum and Law: 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 XXXVI

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 XXXVII

Additional Terms and Conditions:

- A. Admission Policies:** Contractor's admission policies (if applicable) shall be in writing and available to the public and shall include a provision that patients are accepted for care without discrimination as described in this Agreement.
- B. Aerosol Transmissible Disease Program, Infection Control, Health and Safety:**
 - 1. Contractor must have an Aerosol Transmissible Disease (ATD) Program as defined in the CCR, Title 8, Section 5199, Aerosol Transmissible Diseases (<http://www.dir.ca.gov/Title8/5199.html>), and demonstrate compliance with all requirements including, but not limited to, exposure determination, screening

procedures, source control measures, use of personal protective equipment, referral procedures, training, immunization, post-exposure medical evaluations/follow-up, and recordkeeping.

2. Contractor assumes responsibility for procuring all medical equipment and supplies for use by their staff, including Personnel Protective Equipment such as respirators, and provides and documents all appropriate training.
 3. Contractor shall maintain a safe facility. Contractor shall store and dispense medication in compliance with all applicable state, federal, and county laws and regulations.
 4. Contractor must have a Bloodborne Pathogen (BBP) Exposure Control plan as defined in the CFR, Title 8, Section 5193, Bloodborne Pathogens (<http://www.dir.ca.gov/title8/5193.html>), and demonstrate compliance with all requirements including, but not limited to, exposure determination, training, immunization, use of personal protective equipment and safe needle devices, maintenance of a sharps injury log, post-exposure medical evaluations, and recordkeeping.
 5. Contractor must demonstrate personnel policies/procedures for protection of staff and clients from other communicable diseases prevalent in the population served. Such policies and procedures shall include, but not be limited to, work practices, personal protective equipment, staff/client Tuberculosis (TB) surveillance, training, etc.
 6. Contractor must demonstrate personnel policies/procedures for Tuberculosis (TB) exposure control consistent with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendations for health care facilities and based on the Francis J. Curry National Tuberculosis Center: Template for Clinic Settings, as appropriate.
 7. Contractor is responsible for site conditions, equipment, health and safety of their employees, and all other persons who work or visit the job site.
 8. Contractor shall assume liability for any and all work-related injuries/illnesses including infectious exposures such as ADT, BBP and TB and demonstrate appropriate policies and procedures for reporting such events and providing appropriate post-exposure medical management as required by State workers' compensation laws and regulations.
 9. Contractor shall comply with all applicable California Division of Occupational Safety and Health Administration (Cal-OSHA) standards including maintenance of the Cal-OSHA 300 Log of Work-Related Injuries and Illnesses.
 10. Contractor shall demonstrate compliance with all state and local regulations with regard to handling and disposing of medical waste.
- C. Audits:** From time to time, the County or state may inspect the facilities, systems, books, and records of the Contractor to monitor compliance with this Agreement. The Contractor shall promptly remedy any violation of any provision of this Agreement and shall certify the same to the County or state in writing. The fact that the County or state inspects, or fails to inspect, or has the right to inspect, the Contractor's facilities, systems and procedures does not relieve the Contractor of its responsibilities to comply with this Agreement. The County or state's failure to detect or detection, but failure to notify the Contractor or require the Contractor's remediation of any unsatisfactory practice, does not constitute acceptance of such practices or a waiver of the state's enforcement rights under this Agreement.

The Contractor shall maintain and make available to auditors, at all levels, accounting and program records including supporting source documentation and cooperate with all auditors.

The Contractor, auditors performing monitoring, or audits of the Contractor or its subcontracting service providers shall immediately report to the County or state any incidents of fraud, abuse or other criminal activity in relation to this Agreement, federal, state, and County laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances.

- D. Background Checks:** A background screening of all employees who may access Protected Health Information (PHI) or Personal Information (PI), a background screening of that employee must be conducted. The screening should be commensurate with the risk and magnitude of harm the employee could cause, with more thorough screening being done for those employees who are authorized to bypass significant technical and operational security controls. The Contractor shall retain each employee's background check documentation for a period of three (3) years.
- E. 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.

- F. 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 (CFR) 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
 - ii) Employee Training and Discipline: Contractor shall train its employees and use reasonable measures to ensure compliance with the requirements of this Agreement by employees who assist in the performance of functions or activities under this Agreement and use or disclose individually identifiable health information.
 - iii) Contractor shall restrict logical and physical access to confidential, personal (e.g., PII) or sensitive data to authorized users only; and
 - iv) 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.
 - b) 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:
 - i) Network based firewall or personal firewall; and
 - ii) Continuously updated anti-virus software; and
 - iii) Patch-management process including installation of all operating system/software vendor security patches; and
 - iv) All data storage devices must be encrypted.
 - c) 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.
 - d) 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.
 - e) 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 per State law Civil Code 1798.82 (a). Immediate notification shall be made to County HIPAA Compliance/Security 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 Compliance Officer, postmarked within thirty (30) working days of the discovery of the breach, to the following address:

County of El Dorado
Risk Management
330 Fair Lane
Placerville, CA 95667
Attn: HIPAA Compliance/Security Officer
or
riskmanagement@edcgov.us

G. Confidentiality Requirements: Acknowledging the Contractor's continuing obligation to follow existing legal mandates regarding protection and/or release of information maintained by the County, the following Confidentiality Requirements apply:

1. General Requirements: The Contractor shall not disclose data or documents or disseminate the contents of the final or any preliminary report without express permission of the Contract Administrator.

Permission to disclose information or documents on one occasion or at public hearings held by the County or state Departments of Mental Health relating to the same shall not authorize the Contractor to further disclose such information or documents on any other occasions.

The Contractor shall not comment publicly to the press or any other media regarding the data or documents generated, collected, or produced in connection with this Agreement, or the County or state Departments of Mental Health staff, the Contractor's own personnel involved in the performance of this Agreement, at a public hearing, or in response to the questions from a legislative committee.

If requested by the County or state, the Contractor shall require each of its employees or officers who will be involved in the performance of this Agreement to agree to the above terms in a form to be approved by the state and shall supply the state with evidence thereof. Each subcontract shall contain the foregoing provisions related to the confidentiality of data and nondisclosure of the same.

After any data or documents submitted has become a part of the public records of the County or state, the Contractor may, if it wishes to do so at its own expense and upon approval by the County Contract Administrator, publish or utilize the said data or documents but all such published items shall include the following legend:

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COUNTY	STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES
Health and Human Services Agency 3057 Briw Road, Suite A Placerville, CA 95667	P.O. Box 997413 Sacramento, CA 94252-2050

Neither said County nor State Department of Health Care Services / State of California, nor any officer or employee thereof, or the Contractor or any of its subcontractors makes any warranty, express or implied, or assumes any legal liability whatsoever for the contents of this document, nor does any party represent that use of the data contained herein would not infringe upon privately owned rights without obtaining permission or authorization from any party who has any rights in connection with the data.

“Data” as used in this Agreement means recorded information, regardless of form or characteristics, of a scientific or technical nature. It may, for example, document research, experimental, developmental or engineering work, or be usable or be used to define a design or process, or support a premise or conclusion asserted in any deliverable document called for by this Agreement. The data may be graphic or pictorial delineations in media, such as drawings or photographs, charts, tables, mathematical modes, collections or extrapolations of data or information, etc. It may be in machine form, as punched cards, magnetic tape, computer printouts, or may be retained in computer memory.

“Proprietary data” is such data as the Contractor has identified in a satisfactory manner as being under Contractor’s control prior to commencement of performance of this Agreement and which has been reasonably demonstrated as being of a proprietary force and effect at the time this Agreement is commenced.

“Generated data” is that data, which a Contractor has collected, collated, recorded, deduced, read out, or postulated for utilization in the performance of this Agreement. Any electronic data processing program, model, or software system developed or substantially modified by the Contractor in the performance of this Agreement at Contractor’s expense, together with complete documentation thereof, shall be treated in the same manner as generated data. “Generated data” shall be the property of the state unless and only to the extent that it is specifically provided otherwise herein.

“Deliverable data” is that data which under terms of this Agreement is required to be delivered to the County or state. Such data shall be the property of the County and state.

The title to the Contractor’s proprietary data shall remain in the Contractor’s possession throughout the term of this Agreement and thereafter. As to generated data which is reserved to the County by express terms of this Agreement and as to any preexisting or proprietary data which has been utilized to support any premise, postulate or conclusion referred to or expressed in any deliverable hereunder, the Contractor shall preserve the same in a form which may be introduced in evidence in a court of competent jurisdiction at the Contractor’s own expense for a period of not less than five (5) years after receipt by the County and state of the final report or termination of this Agreement and any and all amendments hereto, or for three (3) years after the conclusion or resolution of any and all audits or litigation relevant to this Agreement, whichever is later.

Prior to the expiration of such time and before changing the form of or destroying any such data, the Contractor shall notify the County and state of any such contemplated action; and the County or state may within thirty (30) days after said notification determine whether it desires said data to be further preserved and, if the state so elects, the expense of further preserving said data shall be paid for by the state. The Contractor agrees that the County and state shall have unrestricted reasonable access to the same during said three (3) year period and throughout the time during which said data is preserved in accordance with this Agreement, and the Contractor agrees to use best efforts to furnish competent witnesses or to identify such competent witnesses to testify in any court of law regarding said data. Each party shall designate an employee who shall be responsible for overall security and confidentiality of its data and information systems and each party shall notify the other of any changes in that designation. HIPAA Compliance/Security Officer is as follows:

COUNTY
HIPAA Compliance/ Security Officer County of El Dorado Risk Management 330 Fair Lane Placerville, CA 95667 or riskmanagement@edcgov.us

2. Confidentiality Requirements relating to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act: The Contractor shall comply with applicable laws and regulations, including but not limited to Sections 14100.2 and 5328 et seq. of the Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 431.300 et seq. of Title 42, CFR, and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), including but not limited to Section 1320 d et seq. of Title 42, United States Code and its implementing regulations (including but not limited to Title 45, CFR, Parts 160, 162 and 164) regarding the confidentiality and security of individually identifiable health information (IIHI).
- H. Drug-Free Workplace:** Contractor agrees to maintain a drug-free workplace and remain in compliance with the Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C. Chapter 10) and the California Drug-Free Workplace Act of 2000 (Government Code Section 8350 et seq.) and any subsequent amendments to either Act thereto. A “drug free workplace” means the site(s) for the performance of work done by Contractor at which Contractor and employees of the Contractor are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of any controlled substance. A list of controlled substances can be found in Schedules I through V of Section 202 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812) and as further defined in Regulation 21 CFR 1308.11 – 1308.15.
- I. Fingerprinting:** If required by State law or County ordinance, 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 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. 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 by Contractor shall be retained or disposed of pursuant to current Department of Justice directives.
- J. Mandated Reporter Requirements:** California law requires that certain persons are mandated to report suspected child abuse, suspected dependent adult abuse, and suspected domestic violence. Contractor acknowledges and agrees to comply with the following state-required mandated reporter regulations as they apply to the services being rendered by Contractor: California Penal Code Sections 11160-11163, which covers suspected domestic violence; California Penal Code, Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 11164) of Chapter 2 of Title I of Part 4, also known as the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act; and Welfare and Institutions Code Section 15630, which covers suspected dependent adult abuse.

Failure to comply with these reporting requirements may lead to a fine of up to \$1,000 and/or up to six months in jail. A person who makes a report in accordance with these mandates shall not incur civil or criminal liability as a result of any report required or authorized by the above regulations.

K. Miscellaneous Provisions:

1. Disclaimer: The state makes no warranty or representation that compliance by the Contractor with this Agreement, HIPAA or the HIPAA regulations shall be adequate or satisfactory for the Contractor's own purposes or that any information in the Contractor's possession or control, or transmitted or received by the Contractor is, or will be, secure from unauthorized use or disclosure. The Contractor is solely responsible for all decisions made by the Contractor regarding the safeguarding of IIII.
2. Assistance in Litigation or Administrative Proceedings: The Contractor shall make itself, and use its best efforts to make any subcontractors, employees or agents assisting the

Contractor in the performance of its obligation under this Agreement, available to the County or state at no cost to the County or state to testify as witnesses, or otherwise, in the event of litigation or administrative proceedings being commenced against the state, its directors, officers or employees for claimed violation of HIPAA, the HIPAA regulations or other laws relating to security and privacy based upon actions or inactions of the Contractor and/or its subcontractor, employee, or agent, except where the Contractor or its subcontractor, employee or agent is named adverse party.

3. **No Third-Party Beneficiaries:** Nothing expressed or implied in the terms and conditions of this Agreement is intended to confer, nor shall anything herein confer, upon any person other than the County or the state, or the Contractor and their respective successors or assignees, any rights remedies, obligations or liabilities whatsoever.
 4. **Interpretation:** The terms and conditions in this Agreement shall be interpreted as broadly as necessary to implement and comply with HIPAA, the HIPAA regulations and applicable state or local laws. The parties agree that any ambiguity in the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that complies and is consistent with applicable laws.
 5. **Regulatory References:** A reference in the terms and conditions of this Agreement to a section in the HIPAA regulations means the section as in effect or as amended.
 6. **Survival:** The respective rights and obligations of the Contractor under herein this Agreement shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.
 7. **No covenant, condition, duty, obligation, or undertaking continued or made a part of this Agreement shall be waived except by written agreement of the parties hereto, and forbearance or indulgence in any other form or manner by either party in regard whatsoever will not constitute a waiver of the covenant, condition, duty, obligation, or undertaking to be kept, performed or discharged by the party to which the same may apply. Until performance or satisfaction of all covenants, conditions, duties, obligations, and undertakings is complete, the other party shall have the right to invoke any remedy available under this contract, or under law, notwithstanding such forbearance or indulgence.**
- L. Monitoring for Compliance:** County shall monitor the Contractor's operations for 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 required corrective action could lead to civil penalties, as appropriate, pursuant to CFR, Title 9, Sections 1810.380 and 1810.385.

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

- M. Patients' Rights/Grievances:** Contractor shall give to all patients written notice of their rights pursuant to and in compliance with California Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5325 et seq.; CFR Title 9, Section 860 et seq.; Title XIX of the Social Security Act; and Title 42, CFR. In addition, in all facilities providing the services described herein, Contractor shall have prominently posted in the predominant language of the community a list of the patient's rights.

As a condition of reimbursement, Contractor shall provide the same level of treatment to beneficiaries served under this Agreement as provided to all other patients served.

Contractor shall not discriminate against any beneficiary of services provided under this Agreement in any manner.

Contractor agrees to provide a system through which recipients of service shall have the opportunity to express and have considered their views, grievances, and complaints regarding the delivery of services, including affording recipients notice of adverse determination and a hearing thereon to the extent required by law.

- N. Review, Inspection and Record Retention:** Contractor agrees to make all of its books and records pertaining to the goods and services furnished under the terms of the contract available for inspection, examination, or copying by authorized County, state or federal agencies, or their duly authorized representatives, at all reasonable times at Contractor's place of business or at such other mutually agreeable location in California, in a form maintained in accordance with the general standards applicable to such book or record keeping. Upon expiration or termination of this Agreement all client records shall be kept for a minimum of ten (10) years from the date of discharge and in the case of minors, for at least one (1) year after the minor client's eighteenth (18th) birthday, but in no case less than ten (10) years from the date of discharge. Service and financial records shall be retained by Contractor, for a term of at least five (5) years from the close of the County's fiscal year in which the contract was in effect, or any longer period as may be required by federal or state law including, but not limited to any record retention laws pertaining to minors, psychiatric health facilities, psychology clinics, psychologists and/or other licensed professionals. If at the end of the applicable retention period, there is litigation or an audit or other investigation involving those books or records, Contractor shall retain the books or records until the resolution of such litigation, audit, or investigation.

The County or their designee shall have access to and right to examine, monitor, and audit all records, documents, conditions, and activities related to programs funded by this Agreement. For purposes of this section "access to" means that the Contractor shall at all times maintain a complete set of records and documents related to programs funded by this Agreement and shall make these records available to the state or County, or their respective designee in a central location.

- O. Release of Information:** Contractor shall ensure that County Health and Human Services Agency is included as a receiving party on all Release of Information forms used in the performance of services under this Agreement.
- P. Special Terms and Conditions:** 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 in effect at the time services are provided, as defined in the Agreement between County and California Department of Health Care Services.

1. **No Waiver of Obligations:** No change, waiver, or discharge of any liability or obligation hereunder on any one or more occasions shall be deemed a waiver of performance of any continuing or other obligation, or shall prohibit enforcement of any obligation, on any other occasion.
2. **Signatures:** This Agreement is of no force and effect until signed by both of the parties hereto. The Contractor shall not commence performance prior to the beginning of this Agreement or upon final approval.

- Q. Standards of Conduct:** The following standards apply to Contractor and, in the event County agrees in writing to Contractor subcontracting services under this Agreement, pursuant to the Article titled, "Assignment and Delegation," Contractor shall ensure the following standards are included in any subcontract hereto:

1. Every reasonable course of action shall be taken to maintain the integrity of this expenditure of public funds and to avoid favoritism and questionable or improper conduct.

This Agreement shall be administered in an impartial manner, free from efforts to gain person, financial or political gain.

2. Any executive or employee of the Contractor shall not solicit or accept money or any other consideration from a third person for the performance of an act reimbursed in whole or part by the County or the state. Supplies, materials, equipment, or services purchased with Agreement funds shall be used solely for purposes allowed under this Agreement. No member of the Contractor's Board will cast a vote on the provision of services by that member (or any organization which that member represents) or vote on any matter which would provide direct financial benefit to that member (or immediate family of the member) or any business or organization which the member directly represents.
 3. The County, by written notice to the Contractor, may terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Agreement if it is found, after notice and hearing by the County or state, that gratuities were offered or given by the Contractor or any agent or representative of the Contractor to any officer or employee of the County or state with a view toward securing a contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the awarding, amending, or performing of such Agreement, provided that the existence of the fact upon which the County or state makes such findings that shall be an issue may be reviewed in any competent court.
 4. In the event this Agreement is terminated as provided in the paragraph above, the County or state shall be entitled:
 - a. To pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of the breach of the Agreement by the Contractor, and
 - b. As a predetermined amount of liquidated damages in addition to any other damages to which it may be entitled by law, to exemplary damages in an amount which shall be not less than three (3) times the cost incurred by the County or state in providing any such gratuities to any such officer or employee.
 5. The rights and remedies of the Contractor provided in this clause shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement. The Contractor warrants by execution of this Agreement that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Agreement upon a contract or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees of the Contractor, for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, the state shall have the right to annul this Agreement without liability, paying only for the values of the work actually returned or, in its discretion, to deduct from the contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.
 6. Contractor, and any subcontractors and/or consultants retained by the Contractor with funds provided under this Agreement must comply with the provisions of California Government Code Section 19990, et seq.
- R. Subcontracting:** In addition to the Article titled, "Assignment and Delegation," the Contractor certifies that:
1. Any work or services specified in this Agreement which will be performed by other than the Contractor shall be evidenced by a written Agreement specifying the terms and conditions of such performance.
 2. The Contractor shall maintain and adhere to an appropriate system, consistent with federal, state and local law, for the award and monitoring of contracts that contain acceptable standards for insuring accountability.
 3. The system for awarding contracts will contain safeguards to ensure that the Contractor does not contract with any entity whose officers have been convicted of fraud or misappropriation of funds.

4. Subcontractors shall comply with the confidentiality requirements set forth in the item titled "Confidentiality Requirements" of this Agreement.

ARTICLE XXXVIII

Counterparts: This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original copy of this Agreement and all of which, when taken together, will be deemed to constitute one and the same agreement.

ARTICLE XXXIX

Electronic Signatures: Each party agrees that the electronic signatures, whether digital or encrypted, of the parties included in this Agreement, are intended to authenticate this writing and to have the same force and effect as manual signatures. Electronic Signature means any electronic visual symbol or signature attached to or logically associated with a record and executed and adopted by a party with the intent to sign such record, including facsimile or email electronic signatures, pursuant to the California Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (Cal. Civ. Code §§ 1633.1 to 1633.17) as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE XL

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: *Lesly Van Sloten*
Lesly Van Sloten (Aug 10, 2022 10:44 PDT)

Lesly Van Sloten, LMFT
Manager of Mental Health Programs
Behavioral Health Division

Dated: 08/10/2022

Requesting Department Head Concurrence:

By: *Daniel Del Monte*
Daniel Del Monte (Aug 12, 2022 20:38 PDT)

Daniel Del Monte, MPA
Interim Director
Health & Human Services Agency

Dated: 08/12/2022

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

-- COUNTY OF EL DORADO --

Dated: 8/30/22

By: Lori Parlin

Lori Parlin, Chair
Board of Supervisors
"County"

ATTEST:
Kim Dawson
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Kim Dawson
Deputy Clerk

Dated: 8/30/22

-- CONTRACTOR --

A&A HEALTH SERVICES
A LIMITED LIABILITY CORPORATION
DOING BUSINESS AS A&A HEALTH SERVICES, SAN PABLO

By: Betty Dominici
Betty Dominici (Aug 13, 2022 07:50 PDT)
Betty Dominici
Chief Executive Officer/Partner
"Contractor"

Dated: 08/13/2022

By: John F. Ramsbacher
John F. Ramsbacher (Aug 14, 2022 10:55 PDT)
John Ramsbacher
Partner

Dated: 08/14/2022

EXHIBIT A

A&A Health Direct Client Services

- A. Outreach, Recruitment, Promotion, and Advertisement:** A&A Health Services will work with the team to let everyone know what services are provided by email or fax.
- B. Admission, Enrollment and/or Intake Criteria and Process (where applicable):**
1. The County will be informed of the A&A Health Services decision whether to admit or not within seventy-two (72) hours of receipt of referral packet. The facility admission agreement must be signed by the facility administrator within five (5) business days of admission and the Initial Assessment and Treatment Plan must be signed and sent to the County or clients conservator within fourteen (14) days.
 2. County residents admitted to the A&A Health Services facilities recognized as a Residential Care Facility- RCF will be eighteen (18) to sixty-four (64) years old and have dual and triple diagnoses requiring a structured, rehabilitative environment program that will maximize each client's potential to re-join and re-engage in the community.
 3. Individuals admitted to A&A Health Services may have issues and have medical problems and/or physical impairments requiring special assistance that might include the use of a wheelchair, walkers, or cane; individuals may also have vision and/or hearing loss, or speech impairment.
 4. A&A Health Services facilities will primarily admit County residents directly from acute, medical inpatient units, jail, and clients in community setting when appropriate.
 5. All programs provided by A&A Health Services are 24-hour services. Length of stay may vary for each client and is determined by the client's individual assessment and treatment plan developed within fourteen (14) days of admission.
 6. The County will authorize referrals to the facilities into contracted beds. All such referrals will have been approved for RCF level of care.
- C. Service Delivery Model:** A&A Health Services is open twenty-four hours a day, seven, days a week (24/7) and provides care to two hundred twenty-five (225) residents. A&A Health Services takes a four-pronged approach to care, incorporating evidence based therapeutic modalities. We empower clients to determine their own pace as they progress through our program. Clients are consistently supported throughout their recovery by our strengths-based, person-centered approach.

A&A Health Services will provide:

- Annual Individual Treatment Plan;
- Documentation in residents' record of the facility's follow-up care regarding dental and eye care in addition to any necessary medical care;

- Transportation and escort for clinic visits when necessary;
- Adherence to all protocols regarding conserved residents, including issues of resident refusal of medication or treatment services;
- Assistance and cooperation in efforts to obtain resident entitlements. The facility will collect, documents and report to County SSI, Veterans Assistance and other third party payments;
- The facility will abide by all admissions and discharge notification requirements or the keeping comprehensive bed data when applicable;
- County shall submit a Bed Hold Authorization form when client will be absent from the facility for more than three (3) days;
- Each A&A Health Services facility will provide a tracking and census report via email/fax to the County Director or his/her designee that will include the following:
 - A. Census report by the 1st of the month;
 - B. Current census broken down by level of care (rate);
 - C. New admits since previous Month (clients and date);
 - D. Discharges since previous month;
 - E. Transfers and returns from acute hospitalizations since previous month;
 - F. Bed holds; and
 - G. Other activity/information.

D. Discharge Planning and Exit Criteria and Process: When requested to make resident ready for discharge and or transfer, the facility will prepare paperwork for resident discharge and make all arrangements within five (5) working days of written receipt from County team.

E. Program Staffing: We have 24/7 staffing at the community. We staff the community with Mental Health Workers, Social Workers, Nurses, Medication Technicians, Cooks, Housekeeping, and an Executive Director.

EXHIBIT B

**COUNTY OF EL DORADO
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIVISION**

BED HOLD AUTHORIZATION

Resident: _____

Reason for Absence from Facility:

I, _____, authorized representative for County of El Dorado Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Division do hereby authorize Contractor to hold the bed of the resident noted above while he/she is away from the facility. Holding the bed is guaranteeing the board and care payment to Contractor for the duration of the client's absence or until notice of discharge.

By: _____ Dated: _____
Authorized Representative

Public Guardian / Payee:

Resident: _____

Reason for Absence from Facility:

I, _____, do hereby authorize Contractor to hold the bed of the resident noted above while he/she is away from the facility. Holding the bed is guaranteeing the board and care payment to Contractor for the duration of the client's absence or until notice of discharge.

By: _____ Dated: _____
Public Guardian / Payee

EXHIBIT C – Rate Schedule

A&A Health Services, San Pablo

REIMBURSEMENT RATE

July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

Daily Rate	\$225.00 per day
Bed-Hold Rate <i>(Charged starting the 4th day a client is absent from the facility and a Bed-Hold Authorization form has been submitted. This rate is in lieu of the daily rate.)</i>	\$100.00 per day

EXHIBIT D
“VENDOR ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH
THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY
NONDISCRIMINATION IN STATE
AND FEDERALLY ASSISTED PROGRAMS”

NAME OF VENDOR/RECIPIENT: A&A Health Services, San Pablo

HEREBY AGREES THAT it will comply with Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 as amended; the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended and in particular section 272.6; Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; California Civil Code Section 51 et seq., as amended; California Government Code section 11135-11139.5, as amended; California Government Code section 12940 (c), (h) (1), (i), and (j); California Government Code section 4450; Title 22, California Code of Regulations section 98000 – 98413; Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 3105A(e); the Dymally-Alatorre Bilingual Services Act (California Government Code Section 7290-7299.8); Section 1808 of the Removal of Barriers to Interethnic Adoption Act of 1996; and other applicable federal and state laws, as well as their implementing regulations [including 45 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 80, 84, and 91, 7 CFR Part 15, and 28 CFR Part 42], by ensuring that employment practices and the administration of public assistance and social services programs are nondiscriminatory, to the effect that no person shall because of ethnic group identification, age, sex, color, disability, medical condition, national origin, race, ancestry, marital status, religion, religious creed or political belief be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subject to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal or state financial assistance; and HEREBY GIVE ASSURANCE THAT it will immediately take any measures necessary to effectuate this agreement.

THIS ASSURANCE is given in consideration of and for the purpose of obtaining any and all federal and state assistance; and THE VENDOR/RECIPIENT HEREBY GIVES ASSURANCE THAT administrative methods/procedures which have the effect of subjecting individuals to discrimination or defeating the objectives of the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) Chapter 21, will be prohibited.

BY ACCEPTING THIS ASSURANCE, the vendor/recipient agrees to compile data, maintain records and submit reports as required, to permit effective enforcement of the aforementioned laws, rules and regulations and permit authorized CDSS and/or federal government personnel, during normal working hours, to review such records, books and accounts as needed to ascertain compliance. If there are any violations of this assurance, CDSS shall have the right to invoke fiscal sanctions or other legal remedies in accordance with Welfare and Institutions Code section 10605, or Government Code section 11135-11139.5, or any other laws, or the issue may be referred to the appropriate federal agency for further compliance action and enforcement of this assurance.


THIS ASSURANCE is binding on the vendor/recipient directly or through contract, license, or other provider services, as long as it receives federal or state assistance.

08/13/2022

Date

3201 Danville Blvd., Suite 265, Alamo, CA 94507

Address of vendor/recipient


Betty Dominic (Aug 13, 2022 07:50 PDT)

Signature

(08/13/01)

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A&A Health Services, San Pablo

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Exhibit D

Exhibit E

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 Title 45 Code of Federal Regulations (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 Title 42 United States Code (UCS) 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 Title 45 CFR, Part 160 and Part 164, and Subparts A and C (the "HIPAA Privacy Rule" and the "HIPAA Security Rule") in effect or as may be amended, including but not limited to 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.

