El Dorado County Health Services Department – Mental Health Division (MHD) And Rescue Union School District (RUSD)

Non-Financial Memorandum of Understanding #834-M0810 School-Based Mental Health Counseling

MHD will provide the following services at no cost to the RUSD as follows:

- 1. MHD will provide qualified therapists to work with individual students and their families as identified in the student Individual Education Plan (IEP) in the Rescue Union School District (RUSD).
- 2. MHD will provide supervision of therapists serving RUSD students and families.
- 3. Therapists will abide by the state education code and RUSD with verification of therapist's fingerprint clearance from the California Department of Justice.
- 4. MHD will coordinate with appropriate RUSD staff as determined necessary by therapist and in conjunction with the student IEP goals and objectives regarding mental health needs.
- 5. MHD will retain ownership of all client files. RUSD staff will have the right to access the information contained in client files should the client so authorize via a written and signed information release form.
- 6. Confidentiality Protocol: everything discussed in counseling sessions is confidential with the following exceptions:
 - In the event it becomes known that there is a reasonable suspicion that
 physical, emotional or sexual abuse or neglect of a student has occurred or
 is occurring.
 - If there is reasonable suspicion that the student is intending to commit suicide or harm someone else or property in any way.
 - If there is a signed release of information with another person or agency.
- 7. If requested by RUSD, MHD will provide a copy of the Board of Behavioral Sciences laws regarding confidentiality to the Superintendent of RUSD and Director of School Health and Safety.

RUSD agrees to the following:

- 1. MHD therapists will be provided a room in which to conduct 26.5 or other client counseling sessions.
- 2. RUSD will provide MHD with a copy of the School Safety Plan for their assigned site/s.

Term:

This MOU shall become effective when fully executed by both parties hereto and shall expire June 30, 2012.

Indemnity:

RUSD agrees to indemnify, defend and save harmless County, its officers, agents and employees, from all claims and losses whatsoever, including attorney's fees occurring or resulting to any and all persons, and from any and all claims and losses resulting to any person, firm, or corporation for damages, injury, or death directly arising out of, or connected with RUSD's performance of this Agreement.

County agrees to indemnify, defend and save harmless RUSD, its officers, agents, and employees from all claims and losses whatsoever, including attorney's fees occurring or resulting to any and all persons, and from any and all claims and losses resulting to any person, firm or corporation for damages, injury, or death directly arising out of, or connected with County's performance of this Agreement.

Administrator:

The County Officer or employee with responsibility for administering this MOU is Barry Wasserman, Manager of Mental Health Programs, Health Services Department, Mental Health Division, or successor.

Changes to MOU:

This MOU 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.

Termination:

Either party may terminate this MOU in whole or in part upon thirty (30) calendar days written notice without cause.

Insurance:

Both parties are self-insured and shall provide a letter of self-insurance if requested to do so by either party during the term of this MOU.

Notices:

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 MHD shall be addressed as follows:

COUNTY OF EL DORADO HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT 931 SPRING STREET PLACERVILLE, CA 95667 ATTN: NEDA WEST, DIRECTOR

Or to such other location as the County directs.

Notices to RUSD shall be addressed as follows:

RESCUE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

2390 BASS LAKE ROAD

RESCUE, CA 95630 95672 0B ATTN: CAROL BLY, SUPERINTENDENT

Or to such other location as the RUSD directs.

REQUESTING DEPARTMENT HEAD CONCURRENCE:

By:_	Neda West, Director Health Services Department	
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Authorized Signatures:

The parties to this MOU represent that the undersigned individuals executing this MOU 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.

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

COUNTY OF	EL DORADO
	Dated:
	By:
	Ron Briggs, Chairman Board of Supervisors "County"
ATTEST: Suzanne Allen de Sanchez, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors	
By:	Date:
Deputy Clerk	
C O N T R	RACTOR
RESCUE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT	
Carol Sy	Date: 6/24/09
Carol Bly, Ed.D.	
Superintendent /	