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14-90055

1. This Agreement is entered into between the State Agency and the Contractor named below:

STATE AGENCY'S NAME

Department of Health Care Services

(Also known as DHCS, CDHS, DHS or the State)

CONTRACTOR'S NAME

County of El Dorado

(Also referred to as Contractor)

2. The term of this Agreement is: July 1, 2014

through June 30, 2017

3. The maximum amount of this Agreement is: \$ 3,845,280

Three Million, Eight Hundred Forty-Five Thousand, Two Hundred Eighty Dollars

4. The parties agree to comply with the terms and conditions of the following exhibits, which are by this reference made a part of this Agreement.

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Exhibit A, Attachment I – Program Specifications	39 pages
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Items shown above with an Asterisk (\*), are hereby incorporated by reference and made part of this agreement as if attached hereto. These documents can be viewed at <http://www.dgs.ca.gov/ols/Resources/StandardContractLanguage.aspx>.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed by the parties hereto.

**CONTRACTOR**

CONTRACTOR'S NAME (if other than an individual, state whether a corporation, partnership, etc.)

County of El Dorado

BY (Authorized Signature)

*Norma Santiago*

DATE SIGNED (Do not type)

12-2-14

PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING

Norma Santiago, Chair, County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: James S. Mitrison

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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By

*Kathryn Tyler*  
Kathryn Tyler, Deputy Clerk 12-2-14

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

AGENCY NAME

Department of Health Care Services

BY (Authorized Signature)

*Christina Soares*

DATE SIGNED (Do not type)

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PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING

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General Services Use Only

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07/10/96 and Welfare and Institutions  
Code 14087.4



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**Exhibit A**  
**Scope of Work**

**1. Service Overview**

Contractor agrees to provide to the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) the services described herein.

State and the Contractor enter into this contract by authority of Chapter 3 of Part 1, Division 10.5 of the Health and Safety Code (HSC) and with approval of Contractor's County Board of Supervisors (or designee) for the purpose of providing alcohol and drug services. State and the Contractor identified in the Standard Agreement are the only parties to this Contract. This Contract is not intended, nor shall it be construed, to confer rights on any third party.

State and the Contractor enter into this contract for the purpose of identifying and providing for covered Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) services for substance use treatment in the Contractor's service area pursuant to Sections 11848.5(a) and (b) of the Health and Safety Code (hereinafter referred to as HSC), Sections 14124.20, 14021.51 – 14021.53, and 14124.20 – 14124.25 of the Welfare and Institutions Code (hereinafter referred to as W&IC), and Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations (hereinafter referred to as Title 22), Sections 51341.1, 51490.1, and 51516.1.

State and the Contractor enter into this contract by authority of Title 45 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 96 (45 CFR Part 96), Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grants (SAPT Block Grant) for the purpose of planning, carrying out, and evaluating activities to prevent and treat substance abuse. Block Grant recipients must adhere to SAMHSA's National Outcome Measures (NOMs).

The objective is to make substance use treatment services available to Medi-Cal beneficiaries through utilization of federal and state funds available pursuant to Title XIX and Title XXI of the Social Security Act for reimbursable covered services rendered by certified DMC providers.

**2. Service Location**

The services shall be performed at applicable facilities in the County of El Dorado.

**3. Service Hours**

The services shall be provided during the working hours and days as defined by the Contractor.



**4. Project Representatives**

A. The project representatives during the term of this Agreement will be:

<b>Department of Health Care Services</b>	<b>Contractor's/Grantee's Name</b>
Contract/Grant Manager: Mike Reeves Telephone: (916) 327-4886 Fax: (916) 323-0653 Email: <a href="mailto:Michael.reeves@dhcs.ca.gov">Michael.reeves@dhcs.ca.gov</a>	County Administrator Telephone: (530) 621-6146 Fax: (530) 295-2596

B. Direct all inquiries to:

<b>Department of Health Care Services</b>	<b>Contractor's/Grantee's Name</b>
Department of Health Care Services SUD PTRSD - FMAB Attention: Irma Nieves Mail Station Code 2629 P.O. Box 997413 Sacramento, CA, 95899-7777  Telephone: (916) 323-2087 Fax: (916) 323-0653 Email: <a href="mailto:Irma.nieves@dhcs.ca.gov">Irma.nieves@dhcs.ca.gov</a>	El Dorado County Health & Human Services Attention: County Administrator 768 Pleasant Valley Road Diamond Springs, CA 95619  Telephone: (530) 621-6146 Fax: (530) 295-2596

C. Either party may make changes to the information above by giving written notice to the other party. Said changes shall not require an amendment to this Agreement.

**5.** See Exhibit A, Attachment I, for a detailed description of the services to be performed.



**Exhibit A, Attachment I  
Program Specifications**

**Part I - General**

**A. Additional Contract Restrictions**

This Contract is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, or conditions enacted by the Congress, or any statute enacted by the Congress, which may affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this Contract in any manner.

**B. Nullification of Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) Treatment Program substance use disorder services (if applicable)**

The parties agree that if the Contractor fails to comply with the provisions of Welfare and Institutions Code (W&I) Section 14124.24, all areas related to the DMC Treatment Program substance use disorder services shall be null and void and severed from the remainder of this Contract.

In the event the Drug Medi-Cal Treatment Program Services component of this Contract becomes null and void, an updated Exhibit B, Attachment I will take effect reflecting the removal of federal Medicaid funds and DMC State General Funds from this Contract. All other requirements and conditions of this Contract will remain in effect until amended or terminated.

**C. Hatch Act**

Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (Title 5 USC, Sections 1501-1508), which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with federal funds.

**D. No Unlawful Use or Unlawful Use Messages Regarding Drugs**

Contractor agrees that information produced through these funds, and which pertains to drug and alcohol- related programs, shall contain a clearly written statement that there shall be no unlawful use of drugs or alcohol associated with the program. Additionally, no aspect of a drug or alcohol- related program shall include any message on the responsible use, if the use is unlawful, of drugs or alcohol (HSC Section 11999-11999.3). By signing this Contract, Contractor agrees that it will enforce, and will require its Subcontractors to enforce, these requirements.

E. Noncompliance with Reporting Requirements

Contractor agrees that the State has the right to withhold payments until Contractor has submitted any required data and reports to the State, as identified in Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part III – Reporting Requirements, or as identified in Document 1F(a), Reporting Requirements Matrix for Counties.

F. Limitation on Use of Funds for Promotion of Legalization of Controlled Substances

None of the funds made available through this Contract may be used for any activity that promotes the legalization of any drug or other substance included in Schedule I of Section 202 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 USC 812).

G. Restriction on Distribution of Sterile Needles

No funds made available through this Contract shall be used to carry out any program of distributing sterile needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of any illegal drug unless the State chooses to implement a demonstration syringe services program for injecting drug users with Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant funds.

H. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996

If any of the work performed under this Contract is subject to the HIPAA, then Contractor shall perform the work in compliance with all applicable provisions of HIPAA. As identified in Exhibit G, the State and County shall cooperate to assure mutual agreement as to those transactions between them, to which this Provision applies. Refer to Exhibit G for additional information.

1. Trading Partner Requirements

- (a) No Changes. Contractor hereby agrees that for the personal health information (Information), it will not change any definition, data condition or use of a data element or segment as proscribed in the federal HHS Transaction Standard Regulation. (45 CFR Part 162.915 (a))
- (b) No Additions. Contractor hereby agrees that for the Information, it will not add any data elements or segments to the maximum data set as proscribed in the HHS Transaction Standard Regulation. (45 CFR Part 162.915 (b))
- (c) No Unauthorized Uses. Contractor hereby agrees that for the Information, it will not use any code or data elements that either are marked “not used” in the HHS Transaction’s Implementation specification or are not in the HHS Transaction Standard’s implementation specifications. (45 CFR Part 162.915 (c))

- (d) No Changes to Meaning or Intent. Contractor hereby agrees that for the Information, it will not change the meaning or intent of any of the HHS Transaction Standard's implementation specification. (45 CFR Part 162.915 (d))

2. Concurrence for Test Modifications to HHS Transaction Standards

Contractor agrees and understands that there exists the possibility that the State or others may request an extension from the uses of a standard in the HHS Transaction Standards. If this occurs, Contractor agrees that it will participate in such test modifications.

3. Adequate Testing

Contractor is responsible to adequately test all business rules appropriate to their types and specialties. If the Contractor is acting as a clearinghouse for enrolled providers, Contractor has obligations to adequately test all business rules appropriate to each and every provider type and specialty for which they provide clearinghouse services.

4. Deficiencies

Contractor agrees to cure transactions errors or deficiencies identified by the State, and transactions errors or deficiencies identified by an enrolled provider if the Contractor is acting as a clearinghouse for that provider. When County is a clearinghouse, Contractor agrees to properly communicate deficiencies and other pertinent information regarding electronic transactions to enrolled providers for which they provide clearinghouse services.

5. Code Set Retention

Both Parties understand and agree to keep open code sets being processed or used in this Agreement for at least the current billing period or any appeal period, whichever is longer.

6. Data Transmission Log

Both Parties shall establish and maintain a Data Transmission Log, which shall record any and all Data Transmission taking place between the Parties during the term of this Contract. Each Party will take necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that such Data Transmission Logs constitute a current, accurate, complete, and unaltered record of any and all Data Transmissions between the Parties, and shall be retained by each Party for no less than twenty-four (24) months following the date of the Data Transmission. The Data Transmission Log may be maintained on computer media or other suitable means provided that, if it is necessary to do so, the information contained in the Data Transmission Log may be retrieved in a timely manner and presented in readable form.

I. Nondiscrimination and Institutional Safeguards for Religious Providers

Contractor shall establish such processes and procedures as necessary to comply with the provisions of Title 42, USC, Section 300x-65 and Title 42, CFR, Part 54, (Reference Document 1B).

J. Counselor Certification

Any counselor providing intake, assessment of need for services, treatment or recovery planning, individual or group counseling to participants, patients, or residents in a DHCS licensed or certified program is required to be certified as defined in Title 9, CCR, Division 4, Chapter 8. (Document 3H)

K. Cultural and Linguistic Proficiency

To ensure equal access to quality care by diverse populations, each service provider receiving funds from this contract shall adopt the federal Office of Minority Health Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Service (CLAS) national standards (Document 3V).

L. Intravenous Drug Use (IVDU) Treatment

Contractor shall ensure that individuals in need of IVDU treatment shall be encouraged to undergo alcohol and other drug (AOD) treatment (42 USC 300x-23(b) of PHS Act).

M. Tuberculosis Treatment

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Contractor shall ensure the following related to Tuberculosis (TB):

1. Routinely make available TB services to each individual receiving treatment for alcohol and other drug use and/or abuse;
2. Reduce barriers to patients' accepting TB treatment; and,
3. Develop strategies to improve follow-up monitoring, particularly after patients leave treatment, by disseminating information through educational bulletins and technical assistance.

N. Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000

Contractor and its Subcontractors that provide services covered by this Contract shall comply with Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104). For full text of the award term, go to:  
<http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/trafficking.aspx>

O. Tribal Communities and Organizations

Contractor shall regularly assess (e.g. review population information available through Census, compare to information obtained in CalOMS Treatment to determine whether population is being reached, survey Tribal representatives for insight in potential barriers)

the substance use service needs of the American Indian/Alaskan Native (AI/AN) population within the County geographic area and shall engage in regular and meaningful consultation and collaboration with elected officials of the tribe, Rancheria, or their designee for the purpose of identifying issues/barriers to service delivery and improvement of the quality, effectiveness and accessibility of services available to AI/NA communities within the County.

P. Participation of County Alcohol and Drug Program Administrators Association of California.

Pursuant to HSC Section 11801(g), the AOD administrator shall participate and represent the county in meetings of the County Alcohol and Drug Program Administrators Association of California for the purposes of representing the counties in their relationship with the state with respect to policies, standards, and administration for alcohol and other drug abuse services.

Pursuant to HSC Section 11811.5(c), the county alcohol and drug program administrator shall attend any special meetings called by the Director of DHCS.

Q. Youth Treatment Guidelines

Contractor will follow the guidelines in Document 1V, incorporated by this reference, "Youth Treatment Guidelines," in developing and implementing youth treatment programs funded under this Exhibit, until such time new Youth Treatment Guidelines are established and adopted. No formal amendment of this contract is required for new guidelines to apply.

R. Restrictions on Grantee Lobbying – Appropriations Act Section 503

No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used, other than for formal and recognized executive-legislative relationships, for publicity or propaganda purposes, for the preparation, distribution, or use of any kit, pamphlet, booklet, publication, radio, television, or video presentation designed to support defeat legislation pending before the Congress, except in presentation to the Congress itself or any State legislature, except in presentation to the Congress or any State legislative body itself.

No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay the salary or expenses of any grant or contract recipient, or agent during for such recipient, related to any activity designed to influence legislation or appropriations pending before the Congress or any State legislature.

S. Nondiscrimination in Employment and Services

By signing this Contract, Contractor certifies that under the laws of the United States and the State of California, incorporated into this Contract by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full, Contractor will not unlawfully discriminate against any person.

T. Federal Law Requirements:

1. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 2000d, as amended, prohibiting discrimination based on race, color, or national origin in federally funded programs.
  2. Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 USC 3601 et seq.) prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin in the sale or rental of housing.
  3. Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (45 CFR Part 90), as amended (42 USC Sections 6101 – 6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age.
  4. Age Discrimination in Employment Act (29 CFR Part 1625)
  5. Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act (29 CFR Part 1630) prohibiting discrimination against the disabled in employment
  6. Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (28 CFR Part 35) prohibiting discrimination against the disabled by public entities
  7. Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (28 CFR Part 36) regarding access
  8. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC Section 794), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of handicap
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9. Executive Order 11246 (42 USC 2000(e) et seq. and 41 CFR Part 60) regarding nondiscrimination in employment under federal contracts and construction contracts greater than \$10,000 funded by federal financial assistance
  10. Executive Order 13166 (67 FR 41455) to improve access to federal services for those with limited English proficiency
  11. The Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972, as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse
  12. The Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism.

U. State Law Requirements:

1. Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code Section 12900 et seq.) and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (California Administrative Code, Title 2, Section 7285.0 et seq.).
2. Title 2, Division 3, Article 9.5 of the Government Code, commencing with Section 11135.

3. Title 9, Division 4, Chapter 8 of the CCR, commencing with Section 10800
4. No state or federal funds shall be used by the Contractor or its Subcontractors for sectarian worship, instruction, or proselytization. No state funds shall be used by the Contractor or its Subcontractors to provide direct, immediate, or substantial support to any religious activity.
5. Noncompliance with the requirements of nondiscrimination in services shall constitute grounds for state to withhold payments under this Contract or terminate all, or any type, of funding provided hereunder.

V. This Contract is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, or conditions enacted by the federal or state governments after affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this Contract in any manner.

W. Subcontract Provisions

Contractor shall include all of the foregoing provisions in all of its subcontracts.

**Exhibit A, Attachment I  
Program Specifications**

**Part II – Definitions**

**Section 1 - General Definitions.**

The words and terms of this Contract are intended to have their usual meanings unless a particular or more limited meaning is associated with their usage pursuant to Division 10.5 of HSC, Section 11750 et seq., and Title 9, CCR, Section 9000 et seq.

- A. **"Available Capacity"** means the total number of units of service (bed days, hours, slots, etc.) that a Contractor actually makes available in the current fiscal year.
- B. **"Contractor"** means the county identified in the Standard Agreement or the department authorized by the County Board of Supervisors to administer substance use disorder programs.
- C. **"Corrective Action Plan" (CAP)** means the written plan of action document which the Contractor or its subcontracted service provider develops and submits to DHCS to address or correct a deficiency or process that is non-compliant with laws, regulations or standards.
- D. **"County"** means the county in which the Contractor physically provides covered substance use treatment services.
- E. **"County Realignment Funds"** means Behavioral Health Subaccount funds received by the county as per California Code Section 30025.
- F. **"Days"** means calendar days, unless otherwise specified.
- G. **"Dedicated Capacity"** means the historically calculated service capacity, by modality, adjusted for the projected expansion or reduction in services, which the Contractor agrees to make available to provide non-Drug Medi-Cal substance use disorder services to persons eligible for Contractor services.
- H. **"Final Allocation"** means the amount of funds identified in the last allocation letter issued by the State for the current fiscal year.
- I. **"Final Settlement"** means permanent settlement of the Contractor's actual allowable costs or expenditures as determined at the time of audit, which shall be completed within three years of the date the year-end cost settlement report was accepted for interim settlement by the State. If the audit is not completed within three years, the interim settlement shall be considered as the final settlement.
- J. **"Interim Settlement"** means temporary settlement of actual allowable costs or expenditures reflected in the Contractor's year-end cost settlement report.

- K. **"Maximum Payable"** means the encumbered amount reflected on the Standard Agreement of this Contract and supported by Exhibit B, Attachment I.
- L. **"Modality"** means those necessary overall general service activities to provide substance use disorder services as described in Division 10.5 of the HSC.
- M. **"Non-Drug Medi-Cal Amount"** means the contracted amount of SAPT Block Grant funds for services agreed to by the State and the Contractor.
- N. **"Performance"** means providing the dedicated capacity in accordance with Exhibit B, Attachment I, and abiding by the terms of this Exhibit A, including all applicable state and federal statutes, regulations, and standards, including Alcohol and/or Other Drug Certification Standards (Document 1P), in expending funds for the provision of alcohol and drug services hereunder.
- O. **"Preliminary Settlement"** means the settlement of only SAPT funding for counties that do include DMC funding.
- P. **"Revenue"** means Contractor's income from sources other than the State allocation.
- Q. **"Service Area"** means the geographical area under Contractor's jurisdiction.
- R. **"Service Element"** is the specific type of service performed within the more general service modalities. A list of the service modalities and service elements and service elements codes is incorporated into this Contract as Document 1H(a) "Service Code Descriptions".
- S. **"State"** means the Department of Health Care Services or DHCS.
- T. **"Unit of Service"** means the type of unit used to quantify the service modalities/elements. The units of services are listed below:

Support Services		staff hours
Primary Prevention Services	N/A	
Secondary Prevention Services		staff hours
Nonresidential Services (Outpatient and Aftercare)		staff hours
Intensive Outpatient Services		visit days
Residential Treatment Services		bed days
Narcotic Treatment Program		
Inpatient Detoxification		bed days
Outpatient Detoxification		slot days
Narcotic Replacement Therapy		slot days
Methadone		
Ancillary Services		staff hours
Driving Under-the-Influence		persons served

- U. **"Utilization"** means the total actual units of service used by clients and participants.

## **Section 2 – Definitions Specific to Drug Medi-Cal**

The words and terms of this Contract are intended to have their usual meaning unless a specific or more limited meaning is associated with their usage pursuant to the HSC, Title 9, and/or Title 22. Definitions of covered treatment modalities and services are found in Title 22 (Document 2C) and are incorporated by this reference.

- A. "Administrative Costs"** means the Contractor's actual direct costs, as recorded in the Contractor's financial records and supported by source documentation, to administer the program or an activity to provide service to the DMC program. Administrative costs do not include the cost of treatment or other direct services to the beneficiary. Administrative costs may include, but are not limited to, the cost of training, programmatic and financial audit reviews, and activities related to billing. Administrative costs may include Contractor's overhead per the approved indirect cost rate proposal pursuant to OMB Circular A-87 and the State Controller's Office Handbook of Cost Plan Procedures.
- B. "Authorization"** is the approval process for DMC Services prior to the submission of a DMC claim.
- C. "Beneficiary"** means a person who: (a) has been determined eligible for Medi-Cal; (b) is not institutionalized; (c) has a substance-related disorder per the "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders III Revised (DSM)," and/or DSM IV criteria; and (d) meets the admission criteria to receive DMC covered services.
- D. "Certified Provider"** means a substance use disorder clinic and/or satellite clinic location that has received certification to be reimbursed as a DMC clinic by the State to provide services as described in Title 22, California Code of Regulations, Section 51341.1.
- E. "Covered Services"** means those DMC services authorized by Title XIX or Title XXI of the Social Security Act; Title 22 Section 51341.1; W&I Section 14124.24; and California's Medicaid State Plan.
- F. "Direct Provider Contract"** means a contract established between the State and a Drug Medi-Cal certified provider entered into pursuant to this Agreement for the provision of Drug Medi-Cal services.
- G. "Drug Medi-Cal Program"** means the state system wherein beneficiaries receive covered services from DMC-certified substance use disorder treatment providers.
- H. "Drug Medi-Cal Termination of Certification"** means the provider is no longer certified to participate in the Drug Medi-Cal program upon the State's issuance of a Drug Medi-Cal Termination of Certification Termination notice.
- I. "Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment Program (EPSDT)"** means the federally mandated Medicaid benefit that entitles full-scope Medi-Cal-covered beneficiaries less than 21 years of age to receive any Medicaid service necessary to correct or ameliorate a defect, mental illness, or other condition, such as a substance-related disorder, that is discovered during a health screening.

- J. **"EPSDT (Supplemental Service)"** means the supplemental individual outpatient drug-free (ODF) counseling services provided to beneficiaries eligible for the EPSDT program. Supplemental individual ODF counseling consists of any necessary individual substance use disorder counseling not otherwise included in the ODF counseling modality under the DMC program.
- K. **"Provider Certification"** means the provider must be certified in order to participate in the Medi-Cal program.
- L. **"Federal Financial Participation (FFP)"** means the share of federal Medicaid funds for reimbursement of DMC services.
- M. **"Medical Necessity"** means those substance use treatment services that are reasonable and necessary to protect life, prevent significant illness or disability, or alleviate severe pain through the diagnosis and treatment of a disease, illness, or injury or, in the case of EPSDT, services that meet the criteria specified in Title 22, Sections 51303 and 51340.1.
- N. **"Minor Consent DMC Services"** are those covered services that, pursuant to Family Code Section 6929, may be provided to persons 12-20 years old without parental consent.
- O. **"Narcotic Treatment Program"** means an outpatient clinic licensed by the State to provide narcotic replacement therapy directed at stabilization and rehabilitation of persons who are opiate-addicted and have a substance use diagnosis.
- P. **"Payment Suspension"** means the Drug Medi-Cal certified provider has been issued a notice pursuant to W&I 14107.11 and is not authorized to receive payments after the payment suspension date for DMC services, regardless of when the service was provided.
- Q. **"Perinatal DMC Services"** means covered services as well as mother/child habilitative and rehabilitative services; services access (i.e., provision or arrangement of transportation to and from medically necessary treatment); education to reduce harmful effects of alcohol and drugs on the mother and fetus or infant; and coordination of ancillary services (Title 22, Section 51341.1(c) 4).
- R. **"Postpartum"**, as defined for DMC purposes, means the 60-day period beginning on the last day of pregnancy, regardless of whether other conditions of eligibility are met. Eligibility shall end on the last day of the calendar month in which the 60<sup>th</sup> day occurs.
- S. **"Post Service Post Payment (PSPP) Utilization Review"** means the review for program compliance and medical necessity conducted by the State after service was rendered and paid. State may recover prior payments of Federal and State funds if such review determines that the services did not comply with the applicable statutes, regulations, or standards (Cal. Code Regs. Tit. 22, Section 51341.1).
- T. **"Projected Units of Service"** means the number of reimbursable DMC units of service, based on historical data and current capacity, the Contractor expects to provide on an annual basis.

- U. **"Provider of DMC Services"** means any person or entity that provides direct substance use treatment services and has been certified by State as meeting the standards for participation in the DMC program set forth in the "DMC Certification Standards for Substance Abuse Clinics", Document 2E and "Standards for Drug Treatment Programs (October 21, 1981)", Document 2F.
- V. **"Re-certification"** means the process by which the certified clinic and/or satellite program is required to submit an application and specified documentation, as determined by DHCS, to remain eligible to participate in and be reimbursed in through the DMC program. Re-certification shall occur no less than every five years from date of previous DMC certification or re-certification.
- W. **"Satellite Site"** has the same meaning as defined in the DMC Certification Standards for Substance Abuse Clinics.
- X. **"Statewide Maximum Allowances (SMA)"** means the maximum amount authorized to be paid by DMC for each covered unit of service for outpatient drug free, intensive outpatient treatment, perinatal residential, and Naltrexone treatment services. While the rates are approved by the State, they are subject to change through the regulation process. The SMA for FY 2014-15 is listed in the "Unit of Service" table in Exhibit B, Part V.
- Y. **"Subcontract"** means an agreement between the Contractor and its Subcontractors. A Subcontractor shall not delegate its obligation to provide covered services or otherwise subcontract for the provision of direct patient/client services.
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- Z. **"Subcontractor"** means an individual or entity that is DMC certified and has entered into an agreement with the Contractor to be a provider of covered services. It may also mean a vendor who has entered into a procurement agreement with the Contractor to provide any of the administrative functions related to fulfilling the Contractor's obligations under the terms of this Exhibit A, Attachment I.
- AA. **"Temporary Suspension"** means the provider is temporarily suspended from participating in the DMC program as authorized by W&I Section 14043.36(a). The provider cannot bill for DMC services from the effective date of the temporary suspension.

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**Part III – Reporting Requirements**

Contractor agrees that the State has the right to withhold payments until Contractor has submitted any required data and reports to the State, as identified in this Exhibit A, Attachment I or as identified in Document 1F(a), Reporting Requirement Matrix for Counties.

**A. Quarterly Federal Financial Management Report (QFFMR)**

The QFFMR must be submitted to reflect quarterly SAPTBG expenditures.

For the beginning of each federal award year, the due dates are:

March 1 for the period October through December  
June 1 for the period January through March  
September 1 for the period April through June  
December 1 for the period July through September

**B. Year-End Cost Settlement Reports**

Pursuant to W&I Section 14124.24 Contractor shall submit to the State, on November 1 of each year, the following year-end cost settlement documents by paper or electronic submission for the previous fiscal year:

1. Document 2P, County Certification Year-End Claim for Reimbursement
2. Document 2P(a) and 2P(b), Drug Medi-Cal Cost Report Forms for Intensive Outpatient Treatment for Non-Perinatal or Perinatal (if applicable)
3. Document 2P(c) and 2P(d), Drug Medi-Cal Cost Report Forms for Outpatient Drug Free Individual Counseling for Non-Perinatal or Perinatal (if applicable)
4. Document 2P(e) and 2P(f), Drug Medi-Cal Cost Report Forms for Outpatient Drug Free Group Counseling for Non-Perinatal or Perinatal (if applicable)
5. Document 2P(g), Drug Medi-Cal Cost Report Forms for Residential for Perinatal (if applicable)
6. Document 2P(h) and 2P(i), Drug Medi-Cal Expenditure Forms for Narcotic Treatment Programs for Non-Perinatal or Perinatal (if applicable)

Electronic program as prescribed by the State that contains the detailed cost report data

C. Drug Medi-Cal Claims and Reports

Contractors or providers that bill the State or the County for services identified in Section 51516.1 of Title 22 shall submit claims in accordance with the Department of Health Care Services DMC Provider Billing Manual.

Claims for DMC reimbursement shall include only those services covered under Title 22, Section 51341.1(c-d) and administrative charges that are allowed under W&IC, Sections 14132.44 and 14132.47.

1. Contractor shall certify the public expenditure was made prior to submitting a claim for reimbursement. Contractor shall submit the "Certified Public Expenditure" form at the time of submitting the electronic Drug Medi-Cal claim, 42 CFR Section 433.51. Contractor shall submit to the State the Drug Medi-Cal Certification Form DHCS Form DHCS 100224A (Document 4D) for each claim file submitted for reimbursement of the federal Medicaid funds.
2. DMC service claims shall be submitted electronically in a Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) compliant format (837P). All adjudicated claim information must be retrieved by the Contractor via an 835 HIPAA compliant format (Health Care Claim Payment/Advice).
3. The following forms shall be prepared as needed and retained by the provider for review by State staff:
  - (a) Multiple Billing Override Certification (MC 6700), Document 2K
  - (b) Good Cause Certification (MC 6065A), Document 2L(a)
  - (c) Good Cause Certification (MC 6065B), Document 2L(b)

In the absence of good cause documented on the Good Cause Certification (MC 6065A or 6065B) form, claims that are not submitted within 30 days of the end of the month of service shall be denied. The existence of good cause shall be determined by the State in accordance with Title 22, CCR, Sections 51008 and 51008.5.

4. Certified Public Expenditure County Administration

Separate from direct service claims as identified in #2 above, county may submit an invoice for administrative costs for administering the DMC program on a quarterly basis. The form requesting reimbursement shall be submitted to DHCS.
5. If while completing the Utilization Review and Quality Assurance requirements of this Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part V, Section 4 any of the Contractor's skilled professional medical and personnel and directly supporting staff meet the criteria set forth in 42 C.F.R. 432.50(d)(1), then the Contractor shall submit a written request that specifically demonstrates how the skilled professional medical personnel and directly supporting staff meet all of the applicable criteria set forth in 42 C.F.R.

432.50(5)(1) and outlines the duties they will perform to assist the Department, or the Department's skilled professional medical personnel, in activities that are directly related to the administration of the Drug Medi-Cal Program. The Department shall respond to the Contractor's written request within 20 days with either a written agreement pursuant to 42 C.F.R. 432.50(d)(2) approving the request or a written explanation as to why the Department does not agree that the Contractor's skilled professional medical personnel and directly supporting staff do not meet the criteria set forth in 42 C.F.R. 432.50(d)(1).

D. California Outcomes Measurement System (CalOMS) for Treatment (CalOMS-Tx)

The CalOMS-Tx business rules and requirements are:

1. Contractor contracts with a software vendor that complies with the CalOMS-Tx data collection system requirements for submission of CalOMS-Tx data. A Business Associate Agreement (BAA) must be established between the Contractor and the software vendor. The BAA must state that DHCS is allowed to return the processed CalOMS-Tx data to the vendor that supplied the data to DHCS.
2. Contractor shall conduct information technology (IT) systems testing and pass State certification testing before commencing submission of CalOMS-Tx data. If the Contractor subcontracts with vendor for IT services, Contractor is responsible for ensuring that the subcontracted IT system is tested and certified by the DHCS prior to submitting CalOMS-Tx data. If Contractor changes or modifies the CalOMS-Tx IT system, then Contractor shall re-test and pass state re-certification prior to submitting data from new or modified system.
3. Electronic submission of CalOMS-Tx data is due 45 days from the end of the last day of the report month.
4. Contractor shall comply with data collection and reporting requirements established by the DHCS CalOMS-Tx Data Collection Guide (Document 3J) and all former Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs Bulletins and DHCS Information Notices relevant to CalOMS-Tx data collection.
5. Contractor shall submit CalOMS-Tx admission, discharge, annual update, resubmissions of records containing errors or in need of correction, and "provider no activity" report records in an electronic format approved by DHCS.
6. Contractor shall comply with the CalOMS-Tx Data Compliance Standards established by DHCS identified in Document 3S for reporting data content, data quality, data completeness, reporting frequency, reporting deadlines, and reporting method.
7. Contractor shall participate in CalOMS-Tx informational meetings, trainings, and conference calls.
8. Contractor shall implement and maintain a system for collecting and electronically submitting CalOMS-Tx data.

9. Contractor shall meet the requirements as identified in Exhibit G, Privacy and Information Security Provisions and Exhibit G, Attachment I – SSA Agreement 2014.

E. California Outcomes Measurement System (CalOMS) for Prevention (CalOMS-Pv)

The CalOMS-Pv Business Rules and Requirements are:

1. By utilization of the CalOMS Prevention User Manual, Contractor shall comply with requirements which address the collection of information required in the SAPT Block Grant.
2. Prevention services/activity data is to be reported by CalOMS-Pv by all funded primary prevention providers. Services are to be reported by the date of occurrence on a monthly basis. No more than one week's data shall be aggregated into one reported service.
3. All CalOMS-Pv service/activity data shall be reviewed by each county and released to the State no later than 30 days following the close of each quarter. The reporting quarters are: July through September; October through December; January through March; and April through June.
4. Reporting progress on prevention goals and objectives via the Evaluation Module within CalOMS-Pv shall be done on an annual basis. This information is due no later than September 30<sup>th</sup> of each fiscal year.
5. If the Contractor cannot submit CalOMS-Pv data by the established due dates, the Contractor shall submit a written request for an extension. The DHCS will make a decision and issue a written response on the request for an extension prior to the established due date.
6. Contractor shall participate in CalOMS-Pv informational meetings, trainings, and conference calls.

F. CalOMS-Tx and CalOMS-Pv General Information

1. If the Contractor experiences system or service failure or other extraordinary circumstances that affect its ability to timely submit CalOMS-Tx and/or CalOMS-Pv data, and or meet other CalOMS-Tx and/or CalOMS-Pv data compliance requirements, Contractor shall report the problem in writing before the established data submission deadlines. The written notice shall include a remediation plan that is subject to review and approval by the State. A grace period of up to sixty (60) days may be granted, at the State's sole discretion, for the Contractor to resolve the problem before non-DMC payments are withheld.

2. If the State experiences system or service failure, no penalties will be assessed to the Contractor for late data submission.
3. Contractor shall comply with the treatment and prevention data quality standards established by the State. Failure to meet these standards on an ongoing basis may result in withholding non-DMC funds.
4. If the Contractor submits data after the established deadlines, due to a delay or problem, Contractor is still responsible for collecting and reporting data from time of delay or problem.

G. Drug and Treatment Access Report (DATAR)

The DATAR business rules and requirements are:

1. The Contractor shall be responsible for ensuring that the Contractor-operated treatment services and all treatment providers with whom Contractor makes a contract or otherwise pays for the services, submit a monthly DATAR report in an electronic copy format as provided by the State.

In those instances where the Contractor maintains, either directly or indirectly, a central intake unit or equivalent which provides intake services including a waiting list, the Contractor shall identify and begin submitting monthly DATAR reports for the central intake unit by a date to be specified by the State.

2. The Contractor shall ensure that all DATAR reports are submitted by either Contractor-operated treatment services and by each subcontracted treatment provider to the State by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month following the report activity month.
3. The Contractor shall ensure that all applicable providers are enrolled in the State's web-based DATARWeb program for submission of data, accessible on the DHCS website when executing the subcontract.
4. If the Contractor or its subcontractor experiences system or service failure or other extraordinary circumstances that affect its ability to timely submit a monthly DATAR report, and/or to meet data compliance requirements, the Contractor shall report the problem in writing before the established data submission deadlines. The written notice shall include a corrective action plan that is subject to review and approval by the State. A grace period of up to sixty (60) days may be granted, at the State's sole discretion, for the Contractor to resolve the problem before non-DMC payments are withheld (See Exhibit B, Part II, Section 2).
5. If the State experiences system or service failure, no penalties will be assessed to Contractor for late data submission.
6. The Contractor shall be considered compliant if a minimum of 95% of required DATAR reports from the Contractor's treatment providers are received by the due date.

H. Charitable Choice

Contractor shall submit annually the total number of referrals necessitated by religious objection to other alternative substance abuse providers. This information must be submitted to DHCS in a format prescribed by DHCS and at time required by DHCS (reference ADP Bulletin 04-5).

I. Subcontractor Documentation

Contractor shall require its Subcontractors that are not licensed or certified by the State to submit organizational documents to the State within thirty (30) days of its execution of an initial subcontract, within ninety (90) days of the renewal or continuation of an existing subcontract or when there has been a change in Subcontractor name or ownership. Organizational documents shall include the Subcontractor's Articles of Incorporation or Partnership Agreements (as applicable), and business licenses, fictitious name permits, and such other information and documentation as may be requested by the State.

J. Failure to meet required reporting requirements shall result in:

1. The DHCS will issue a Notice of Deficiency (Deficiencies) to Contractor regarding specified providers with a deadline to submit the required data and a request for a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) to ensure timely reporting in the future. The State will approve or reject the CAP or request revisions to the CAP which shall be resubmitted to the State within thirty (30) days.
2. If the Contractor has not ensured compliance with the data submission or CAP request within the designated timeline, then the State may withhold funds until all data is submitted. The State shall inform the Contractor when funds will be withheld.

**Exhibit A, Attachment I  
Program Specifications**

**PART IV – Non-Drug Medi-Cal Substance Use Disorder Treatment Services**

**Section 1. General Provisions**

**A. Restrictions on Salaries**

Contractor agrees that no part of any federal funds provided under this Contract shall be used by the Contractor or its Subcontractors to pay the salary and wages of an individual at a rate in excess of Level I of the Executive Schedule. Salary and wages schedules may be found at <http://www.opm.gov/oca>. SAPT Block Grant funds used to pay a salary in excess of the rate of basic pay for Level I of the Executive Schedule shall be subject to disallowance. The amount disallowed shall be determined by subtracting the individual's actual salary from the Level I rate of basic pay and multiplying the result by the percentage of the individual's salary that was paid with SAPT Block Grant funds (Reference: Terms and Conditions of the SAPT Block Grant award.)

**B. Primary Prevention**

1. The SAPT Block Grant regulation defines "Primary Prevention Programs" as those programs directed at "individuals who have not been determined to require treatment for substance abuse" (45 CFR 96.121). Primary Prevention includes strategies, programs and initiatives which reduce both direct and indirect adverse personal, social, health, and economic consequences resulting from problematic AOD availability, manufacture, distribution, promotion, sales, and use. The desired result of primary prevention is to promote safe and healthy behaviors and environments for individuals, families and communities. The Contractor shall expend not less than its allocated amount of the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant on primary prevention as described in the SAPT Block Grant requirements (45 CFR 96.125). Inappropriate use of these funds for non-primary prevention services will require repayment of SAPT Block Grant funds.
2. This contract and any subcontract shall meet data reporting requirements for capacity, process and outcome as required by federal grant requirements. In addition to the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP's) six strategies of Information Dissemination, Education, Alternative, Problem Identification and Referral, Community-Based Process, and Environmental, the data for the Institute of Medicine prevention categories of Universal, Selective and Indicated must be reported.
3. Use of the Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) is mandatory for all counties and SPF-required data must be submitted via CalOMS Prevention as evidence of engagement and use of the practices. Adherence to the SPF by subcontractors is at the discretion of the subcontracting county.

4. No later than January 31 of each year, contractor shall submit a Prevention Mid-Year Budget to DHCS indicating how the SAPT Block Grant 20% Primary Prevention Set-Aside shall be spent. Examples of a Prevention Mid-Year Budget and supporting documentation can be viewed at <https://caprev.kithost.net/caprevent2013/pLandKB.aspx> (select Library, Fiscal - Prevention Mid-Year Budget Example for FY XX-XX).

C. Perinatal Services Network Guidelines 2014

Contractor shall comply with the requirements for perinatal programs funded under Exhibit A, Attachment I, contained in Document 1G, incorporated by this reference, "Perinatal Services Network Guidelines 2014" until such time new Perinatal Services Network Guidelines are established and adopted. No formal amendment of this contract is required for new guidelines to apply.

- D. Funds identified in this contract shall be used exclusively for county alcohol and drug abuse services to the extent activities meet the requirements for receipt of federal block grant funds for prevention and treatment of substance abuse described in subchapter XVII of Chapter 6A of Title 42 of the United State Code. (Health and Safety Code section 18100 et. seq.)

**Section 2 – Formation and Purpose**

A. Authority

State and the Contractor enter into this Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part IV, by authority of Chapter 3 of Part 1, Division 10.5 of the Health and Safety Code (HSC) and with approval of Contractor's County Board of Supervisors (or designee) for the purpose of providing alcohol and drug services, which will be reimbursed pursuant to Exhibit A, Attachment I. State and the Contractor identified in the Standard Agreement are the only parties to this Contract. This Contract is not intended, nor shall it be construed, to confer rights on any third party.

B. Control Requirements

1. Performance under the terms of this Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part IV, is subject to all applicable federal and state laws, regulations, and standards. In accepting the State drug and alcohol combined program allocation pursuant to HSC Sections 11814(a) and (b), Contractor shall: (i) establish, and shall require its Subcontractors to establish, written procedures consistent with the following requirements; (ii) monitor for compliance with the written procedures; and (iii) be held accountable for audit exceptions taken by the State against the Contractor and its Subcontractors for any failure to comply with these requirements:
  - (a) HSC, Division 10.5, commencing with Section 11760;
  - (b) Title 9, California Code of Regulations (CCR) (herein referred to as Title 9), Division 4, commencing with Section 9000;

- (c) Government Code Section 16367.8;
- (d) Government Code, Article 7, Federally Mandated Audits of Block Grant Funds Allocated to Local Agencies, Chapter 1, Part 1, Division 2, Title 5, commencing at Section 53130;
- (e) Title 42 United State Code (USC), Sections 300x-21 through 300x-31, 300x-34, 300x-53, 300x-57, and 330x-65 and 66;
- (f) The Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 (Title 31, USC Sections 7501-7507) and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 revised June 27, 2003;
- (g) Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Sections 96.30 through 96.33 and Sections 96.120 through 96.137;
- (h) Title 42, CFR, Sections 8.1 through 8.34;
- (i) Title 21, CFR, Sections 1301.01 through 1301.93, Department of Justice, Controlled Substances; and,
- (j) State Administrative Manual (SAM), Chapter 7200 (General Outline of Procedures).

Contractor shall be familiar with the above laws, regulations, and guidance and shall assure that its Subcontractors are also familiar with such requirements.

- 2. The provisions of this Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part IV, are not intended to abrogate any provisions of law or regulation, or any standards existing or enacted during the term of this Contract.
- 3. Contractor shall adhere to the applicable provisions of Title 45, CFR, Part 96, Subparts C and L, as applicable, in the expenditure of the SAPTBG funds. Document 1A, 45 CFR 96, Subparts C and L, is incorporated by reference.
- 4. Documents 1C and 1D(b), incorporated by this reference, contain additional requirements that shall be adhered to by those Contractors that receive the types of funds specified by each document. These exhibits and documents are:
  - (a) Document 1C, Driving-Under-the-Influence Program Requirements;
  - (b) Document 1D(b), SAPT Female Offender Treatment Project (FOTP).

5. In accordance with the Fiscal Year 2011-12 State Budget Act and accompanying law (Chapter 40, Statutes of 2011 and Chapter 13, Statutes of 2011, First Extraordinary Session), contractors that provide Women and Children's Residential Treatment Services shall comply with the program requirements (Section 2.5, Required Supplemental/Recovery Support Services) of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Grant Program for Residential Treatment for Pregnant and Postpartum Women, RFA found at [http://www.samhsa.gov/Grants/2008/ti\\_08\\_009.doc](http://www.samhsa.gov/Grants/2008/ti_08_009.doc)

### **Section 3 - Performance Provisions**

#### **A. Monitoring**

1. Contractor's performance under this Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part IV, shall be monitored by the State during the term of this Contract. Monitoring criteria shall include, but not be limited to:
  - (a) Whether the quantity of work or services being performed conforms to Exhibit B;
  - (b) Whether the Contractor has established and is monitoring appropriate quality standards;
  - (c) Whether the Contractor is abiding by all the terms and requirements of this Contract;
  - (d) Whether the Contractor is abiding by the terms of the Perinatal Services Network Guidelines (Document 1G); and
  - (e) Contractor shall conduct annual onsite monitoring reviews of services and subcontracted services for programmatic and fiscal requirements. Contractor shall submit copy of their monitoring and audit reports to DHCS within two weeks of issuance.
2. Failure to comply with the above provisions shall constitute grounds for the State to suspend or recover payments, subject to the Contractor's right of appeal, or may result in termination of the Contract or both.

#### **B. Performance Requirements**

1. Contractor shall provide services based on funding set forth in Exhibit B, Attachment I, and under the terms of this Contract.
2. Contractor shall provide services to all eligible persons in accordance with federal and state statutes and regulations. Contractor shall assure that in planning for the provision of services, the following barriers to services are considered and addressed:

- (a) Lack of educational materials or other resources for the provision of services;
  - (b) Geographic isolation and transportation needs of persons seeking services or remoteness of services;
  - (c) Institutional, cultural, and/or ethnicity barriers;
  - (d) Language differences;
  - (e) Lack of service advocates;
  - (f) Failure to survey or otherwise identify the barriers to service accessibility; and,
  - (g) Needs of persons with a disability.
3. Contractor shall comply with any additional requirements of the documents that have been incorporated herein by reference, including, but not limited to, those on the "List of Exhibit A, Attachment I Documents incorporate by Reference for Fiscal Year 2014-15" which is attached to Exhibit A, Attachment I.
4. Amounts awarded pursuant to Exhibit A, Attachment I shall be used exclusively for providing alcohol and/or drug program services consistent with the purpose of the funding.
5. DHCS shall issue a report to Contractor after conducting monitoring, utilization, or auditing reviews of county or county subcontracted providers. When the DHCS report identifies non-compliant services or processes, it shall require a CAP. The Contractor, or in coordination with its subcontracted provider, shall submit a CAP to DHCS within the designated timeframe specified by DHCS.
6. The CAP shall include a statement of the problem and the goal of the actions the Contractor and or its sub-contracted provider will take to correct the deficiency or non-compliance. The CAP shall:
- (a) Address the specific actions to correct deficiency or non-compliance
  - (b) Identify who/which unit(s) will act; who/which unit(s) are accountable for acting; and
  - (c) Provide a timeline to complete the actions.

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**Part V: Drug Medi-Cal Treatment Program Substance Use Disorder Services**

**Section 1. Formation and Purpose**

- A. This Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part V of the Contract is entered into by and between the State and the Contractor for the purpose of identifying and providing for covered DMC services for substance use disorder treatment in the Contractor's service area pursuant to Sections 11848.5(a) and (b) of the Health and Safety Code (hereinafter referred to as HSC), Sections 14124.20, 14021.51 – 14021.53, and 14124.20 – 14124.25 of the W&I , and Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations (hereinafter referred to as Title 22), Sections 51341.1, 51490.1, and 51516.1.
- B. It is further agreed this Contract is controlled by applicable provisions of: (a) the W&I, Chapter 7, Sections 14000, et seq., in particular, but not limited to, Sections 14100.2, 14021, 14021.5, 14021.6, 14043, et seq., (b) Title 22, including but not limited to Sections 51490.1, 51341.1 and 51516.1; and (c) Division 4 of Title 9 of the California Code of Regulations (hereinafter referred to as Title 9).
- C. It is understood and agreed that nothing contained in this contract shall be construed to impair the single state agency authority of DHCS.
- D. The objective of this contract is to make substance use disorder treatment services available to Medi-Cal beneficiaries through utilization of federal and state funds available pursuant to Title XIX or Title XXI of the Social Security Act for reimbursable covered services rendered by certified DMC providers.
- E. Awards under the Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778) are no longer excluded from coverage under the HHS implementation of the A-102 Common Rule, 45 CFR part 92 (*Federal Register*, September 8, 2003, 68 FR 52843-52844). This change is effective for any grant award under this program made after issuance of the initial awards for the second quarter of Federal Fiscal Year 2004. This program also is subject to the requirements of 45 CFR part 95 and the cost principles under Office of Management and Budget Circular A-87 (as provided in *Cost Principles and Procedures for Developing Cost Allocation Plans and Indirect Cost Rates for Agreements with the Federal Government*, HHS Publication ASMB C-10, available on the Internet at <http://rates.psc.gov/fms/dca/asmb%20c-10.pdf>.

## **Section 2: Covered Services**

### **A. Covered Services**

1. Contractor shall establish assessment and referral procedures and shall arrange, provide, or subcontract for covered services in the Contractor's service area. Covered services include:

- (a) Outpatient drug-free treatment;
- (b) Narcotic replacement therapy;
- (c) Naltrexone treatment;
- (d) Intensive Outpatient Treatment and,
- (e) Perinatal Residential Substance Abuse Services (excluding room and board).

2. Narcotic treatment program services per W&IC 14124.22:

In addition to narcotic treatment program services, a narcotic treatment program provider who is also enrolled as a Medi-Cal provider may provide medically necessary treatment of concurrent health conditions within the scope of the provider's practice, to Medi-Cal beneficiaries who are not enrolled in managed care plans. Medi-Cal beneficiaries enrolled in managed care plans shall be referred to those plans for receipt of medically necessary medical treatment of concurrent health conditions.

Diagnosis and treatment of concurrent health conditions of Medi-Cal beneficiaries not enrolled in managed care plans by a narcotic treatment program provider may be provided within the Medi-Cal coverage limits. When the services are not part of the substance use disorder treatment reimbursed pursuant to Section 14021.51, services shall be reimbursed in accordance with the Medi-Cal program. Services reimbursable under this section shall include, but not limited to, all of the following:

- (a) Medical treatment visits
- (b) Diagnostic blood, urine, and X-rays
- (c) Psychological and psychiatric tests and services
- (d) Quantitative blood and urine toxicology assays
- (e) Medical supplies

A narcotic treatment provider, who is enrolled as a Medi-Cal fee-for-service provider, shall not seek reimbursement from a beneficiary for substance abuse treatment services, if services for treatment of concurrent health conditions are billed to the Medi-Cal fee-for-service program.

3. In the event of a conflict between the definition of services contained in this Section of the Contract, and the definition of services in Title 22, Sections 51341.1, 51490.1, and 51516.1, the provisions of Title 22 shall govern.
4. Contractor, to the extent applicable, shall comply with "Sobky v. Smoley" (Document 2A), 855 F. Supp. 1123 (E.D. Cal 1994), incorporated by this reference.
5. Contractor shall comply with federal and state mandates to provide alcohol and other drug treatment services deemed medically necessary for Medi-Cal eligible: (1) pregnant and postpartum women, and (2) youth under age 21 who are eligible under the EPSDT Program
  - (a) If Drug Medi-Cal services are provided to Minor Consent beneficiaries, Contractor shall comply with California Family Code Section 6929, and California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Sections 50147.1, 50030, 50063.5, 50157(f)(3), 50167(a)(6)(D), and 50195(d).

B. Access to Services

1. Subject to DHCS provider enrollment certification requirements, Contractor shall maintain continuous availability and accessibility of covered services and facilities, service sites, and personnel to provide the covered services through use of DMC certified providers. Such services shall not be limited due to budgetary constraints.
  - (a) When a request for covered services is made by a beneficiary, Contractor shall require services to be initiated with reasonable promptness. Contractor shall have a documented system for monitoring and evaluating accessibility of care, including a system for addressing problems that develop regarding waiting times and appointments.
  - (b) The contractor shall authorize residential services in accordance with the medical necessity criteria specified in Title 22, Section 51303 and the coverage provisions of the approved state Medi-Cal Plan. Room and board are not reimbursable DMC service. If services are denied, the provider shall inform the beneficiary in accordance with Title 22, Section 51341.1 (p).
  - (c) Contractor shall require that treatment programs are accessible to people with disabilities in accordance with Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations (hereinafter referred to as CFR), Part 84 and the Americans with Disabilities Act.
2. Covered services, whether provided directly by the Contractor or through subcontractors with DMC certified and enrolled programs, shall be provided to beneficiaries without regard to the beneficiaries' county of residence.

3. The failure of the Contractor or its Subcontractors to comply with Section B of this Part will be deemed a breach of this Contract sufficient to terminate this Contract for cause. In the event the Contract is terminated, the provision of this Exhibit, Attachment I, Part I, Section B, shall apply.

C. Payment For Services

1. The Department shall make the appropriate payments set forth in Exhibit B and take all available steps to secure and pay FFP and State General Funds (SGF) to the Contractor, once the Department receives FFP and SGF, for claims submitted by the Contractor. The Department shall notify Contractor and allow Contractor an opportunity to comment to the Department when questions are posed by CMS, or when there is a federal deferral, withholding, or disallowance with respect to claims made by the Contractor.
2. Contractor shall amend its subcontracts for covered services in order to provide sufficient funds to match allowable federal Medicaid reimbursements for any increase in provider DMC services to beneficiaries.
3. In the event that the Contractor fails to provide covered services in accordance with the provisions of this Contract, at the discretion of the State, Contractor may be required to forfeit its county realignment funds pursuant to Government Code Section 30027.10 (a) through (d) from the Behavioral Health Subaccount that is set aside for Drug Medi-Cal services and surrender its authority to function as the administrator of covered services in its service area.

**Section 3: Drug Medi-Cal Certification and Continued Certification**

A. DMC Certification and Enrollment

1. The State will certify eligible providers to participate in the DMC program.
2. The Department shall certify any county operated or non-governmental providers. This certification shall be performed prior to the date on which the Contractor begins to deliver services under this contract at these sites.
3. Contractor shall require that providers of perinatal DMC services are properly certified to provide these services and comply with the requirements contained in Title 22, Section 51341.1, Services for Pregnant and Postpartum Women.
4. Contractor shall require all the subcontracted providers of services to be licensed, registered, DMC certified and/or approved in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. Contractor's subcontracts shall require that providers comply with the following regulations and guidelines:
  - (a) Title 21, CFR Part 1300, et seq., Title 42, CFR, Part 8;

- (b) Drug Medi-Cal Certification Standards for Substance Abuse Clinics (Document 2E);
- (c) Title 22, CCR, Sections 51341.1, 51490.1, and 51516.1, (Document 2C);
- (d) Standards for Drug Treatment Programs (October 21, 1981) (Document 2F);
- (e) Title 9, CCR, Division 4, Chapter 4, Subchapter 1, Sections 10000, et seq. ;  
and
- (f) Title 22, CCR, sections 51000 et. seq.

In the event of conflicts, the provisions of Title 22 shall control if they are more stringent.

- 5. The Contractor shall report to the state within 35 days of any addition or change in the information previously submitted in the application package for certification. The Contractor shall report the addition or change by submitting a complete application package for enrollment.
- 6. Contractor shall notify the State in writing prior to reducing the provision of covered services. In addition, any proposal to change the location where covered services are provided, or to reduce their availability, shall be submitted in an application to the State sixty (60) days prior to the proposed effective date. Contractor shall not implement proposed changes prior to receiving written approval from the State. Contractor shall not implement the proposed changes if the State denies the Contractor's proposal.
- 7. If, at any time, a Subcontractor's license, registration, certification, or approval to operate a substance use treatment program or provide a covered service is revoked, suspended, modified, or not renewed, the Contractor must notify DHCS within two business days.
  - (a) A provider's certification to participate in the DMC program shall automatically terminate in the event that the provider or its owners, officers or directors are convicted of Medi-Cal fraud, abuse or malfeasance. For purposes of this section, a conviction shall include a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.

B. Continued Certification

- 1. All DMC certified providers shall be subject to continuing certification requirements at least once every five years.
- 2. The Department may allow the Contractor to continue delivering covered services to beneficiaries at a site subject to on-site review by the Department as part of the recertification process prior to the date of the on-site review, provided the site is operational, the certification remains valid, and has all required fire clearances.

3. State will conduct recertification on-site visits at clinics for circumstances identified in the "Drug Medi-Cal Certification Standards for Substance Abuse Clinics" (Document 2E). Document 2E contains the appeal process in the event the State disapproves a provider's request for certification or recertification and shall be included in the Contractor's subcontracts.

#### **Section 4: Monitoring**

##### **A. State Monitoring**

##### **1. DHCS Monitoring Reviews and Financial Audits of Contractor**

The Department shall monitor the Contractor's operations for compliance with the provisions of this contract, and applicable federal and state law and regulations. Such monitoring activities shall include, but not be limited to, inspection and auditing of Contractor services, management systems and procedures, and books and records, as the Department deems appropriate, at any time during the Contractor's or facility's normal business hours. When monitoring activities identify areas of non-compliance, the Department shall issue reports to the Contractor detailing findings, recommendations, and corrective action.

##### **2. Post Service Post Payment Utilization Reviews**

- (a) The Department shall conduct Post Service Post Payment Utilization Reviews of claims for DMC services. The DHCS shall issue the PSPP report to the Contractor with a copy to subcontracted DMC provider. The Contractor shall be responsible to ensure any deficiencies are remediated pursuant to Sections 1 and 2 herein. The Contractor shall certify the deficiencies have been remediated and are complete, pursuant to Section 4(A), Paragraph (C), herein.
- (b) State shall conduct Post Service Post Payment (PSPP) utilization reviews in accordance with Title 22 Section 51341.1. Any claimed DMC service may be reviewed for compliance with all applicable standards, regulations and program coverage after services are rendered and the claim paid.
- (c) State shall take appropriate steps in accordance with Title 22, CCR, Section 51341.1 to recover payments made if subsequent investigation uncovers evidence that the claim(s) should not have been paid or that DMC services have been improperly utilized, and/or shall take the corrective action as appropriate. If programmatic or fiscal deficiencies are identified, the Provider shall be required to submit a Corrective Action Plan to DHCS via the Contractor for approval.

- i. Pursuant to CCR, Title 22, Section 51341.1(o), all deficiencies identified by the Post Service Post Payment (PSPP) review, whether or not a recovery of funds results, must be corrected and a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) must be submitted to the DMC PSPP Unit within 60 days of the date of the report.
  - (1) The plan shall:
    - a. Address each demand for recovery of payment and/or programmatic deficiency;
    - b. Provide a specific description of how the deficiency shall be corrected; and
    - c. Specify the date of implementation of the corrective action.
  - (2) DHCS will provide written approval of the CAP to the Contractor with a copy to the Provider. If DHCS does not approve the CAP submitted by the Provider via the Contractor, DHCS will provide guidance on the deficient areas and request an updated CAP from the Contractor with a copy to the Provider with a new deadline for submission.
  - (3) If the Provider, via the Contractor, does not submit a CAP, or, does not implement the approved CAP provisions within the designated timeline, then DHCS may withhold funds until the Contractor brings the Provider into compliance. The State shall inform the Contractor when funds will be withheld.
- (d) Contractor and/or Subcontractor may appeal DMC dispositions concerning demands for recovery of payment and/or programmatic deficiencies of specific claims. Such appeals shall be handled pursuant to Title 22, CCR, Section 51341.1(q). This section shall not apply to those grievances or complaints arising from the financial findings of an audit or examination made by or on behalf of the State pursuant to Exhibit B, Part II, Section 3, of this Contract.
- (e) State shall monitor the Subcontractor's compliance with PSPP utilization review requirements in accordance with Title 22. Counties are also required to monitor of the subcontractor's compliance pursuant to Section 4, Paragraph A.2, of this contract. The federal government may also review the existence and effectiveness of the State's utilization review system.
- (f) Contractor shall implement and maintain compliance with the system of review described in Title 22, Section 51341.1, for the purposes of reviewing the utilization, quality, and appropriateness of covered services and ensuring that all applicable Medi-Cal requirements are met.

- (g) Contractor shall assure that subcontractor sites must keep a record of the clients/patients being treated at that location. Contractor shall retain client records for a minimum of three (3) years from the date of the last face-to-face contact. When an audit by the Federal Government or the State has been started before the expiration of the three-year period, the client records shall be maintained until completion of the audit and the final resolution of all issues as a result of the audit.

3. Training

- (a) DHCS Substance Use Disorder Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services (SUD PTRS) shall provide mandatory annual training to the Contractor on the requirements of Title 22 and the Drug Medi-Cal program requirements.
- (b) Contractor may request additional Technical Assistance or training from SUD PTRS on an ad hoc basis.

B. Contractor Monitoring

- 1. Program Integrity: Contractor is responsible for ensuring program integrity of its services and its subcontracted providers through a system of oversight, which shall include at least the following:

- (a) Compliance with state and federal law and regulations, including, but not limited to, 42 CFR 433.32, 42 CFR 433.51, 42 CFR 431.800 et. seq., 42 CFR 440.230, 42 CFR 440.260, 42 CFR 455 et. seq., 42 CFR 456 et. seq., 42 CFR 456.23, 22 CCR 51490, 22 CCR 51490.1, 22 CCR 51341.1, 22 CCR 51159, WIC 14124.1, and WIC 14124.2;
- (b) Contractor shall conduct, at least annually, a programmatic and fiscal audit of DMC providers to assure covered services are being appropriately rendered. The annual audit must include an on-site visit of the service provider. Reports of the annual audit shall be provided to the Department's DMC PSPP unit at:

Substance Use Disorder - Prevention, Treatment and Recovery Services  
Division, PSPP Unit  
Department of Health Care Services  
PO Box 997413, MS-2621  
Sacramento, CA 95899-7413;

Or by secure, encrypted email to: [SUDCountyReports@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:SUDCountyReports@dhcs.ca.gov)

Audit reports shall be provided within 2 weeks of completion by the Contractor.

Technical assistance is available to counties from DHCS SUD PTRS.

- (c) Contractor shall ensure that DATAR submissions, detailed in Part III, Paragraph G of this contract are complied with by all treatment providers and subcontracted treatment providers. Contractor shall certify that each subcontracted provider is enrolled in DATAR at the time of execution of the subcontract.
- (d) Contractor must monitor and certify compliance and/or completion by Providers with CAP requirements (detailed in Section 4, Paragraph (A)(2)(c)) as required by any PSPP review. Contractor shall certify to DHCS, using the form developed by DHCS that the requirements in the CAP have been completed by the Contractor and/or the Provider. Submission of form by Contractor must be accomplished within the timeline specified in the approved CAP, as noticed by DHCS.
- (e) Contractor shall certify that DMC claims submitted to the state have been subject to review and verification process for accuracy and legitimacy. (45 CFR 430.30, 433.32, 433.51). Contractors shall not submit claims for services rendered to any beneficiary after the beneficiary's date of death, or from uncertified or decertified providers.

2. Training to DMC Subcontractors

- (a) Contractor shall provide training on the requirements of Title 22 regulations and DMC requirements at least annually to all subcontracted providers. Attendance of any subcontracted provider at the annual trainings offered by DHCS (specified in Section 4, paragraph (A)(3) of this contract) shall suffice to meet the requirements of this provision. Contractor shall report compliance with this section to DHCS annually as part of the DHCS County monitoring process.

3. Monthly Monitoring

- (a) Contractor shall check the status of all providers monthly to ensure that they are continuing active participation in the DMC program. Any subcontracted provider who surrenders their certification or closes their facility must be reported by the Contractor to the Department within two (2) business days of notification or discovery.
- (b) During the monthly status check, the Contractor shall monitor for a triggering recertification event (change in ownership, change in scope of services, remodeling of facility, or change in location) and report any triggering events to the state within two (2) business days of notification or discovery.

4. Program Complaints

- (a) All complaints received by Contractor regarding a DMC certified facility shall be forwarded to the SUD Compliance Division, Complaints Unit within two (2) business days of receipt as follows.

Complaints are to be submitted to:  
Department of Health Care Services  
Substance Use Disorder Services – Compliance Division  
P.O. Box 997413, MS# 2601  
Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

The Complaint Form is available and can also be submitted online at  
<http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Sud-Complaints.aspx>

Complaints can also be sent by FAX to:

Fax form to: (916) 445-5084

Complaints for Residential Adult Alcoholism or Drug Abuse Recovery or Treatment Facilities may also be made by telephoning the appropriate licensing branch listed below:

SUD Compliance Division:

Public Number: (916) 322-2911  
Toll Free Number: (877) 685-8333

Counties shall be responsible for investigating complaints and providing the results of all investigations to the Department's SUD Complaint Compliance Division within two (2) business days of completion;

5. Record Retention

- (a) Contractor shall include instructions on record retention and include in any subcontract with providers the mandate to keep and maintain records for each service rendered, to whom it was rendered, and the date of service, pursuant to W&I Section 14214.1 and 42 CFR 433.32; and 22 CCR section 51341.1.

6. Subcontract Termination

- (a) The Contractor must notify DHCS of the termination of any contract with a certified subcontracted provider, and the basis for termination of the contract, within two (2) business days.

7. Corrective Action Plan

- (a) If the Contractor fails to ensure any of the foregoing oversight through an adequate system of monitoring, utilization review, and fiscal and programmatic controls, the Department may request a CAP from the Contractor to address these deficiencies and a timeline for implementation. Failure to submit a CAP or adhere to the provisions in the CAP can result in a withhold of SAPT funds allocated to Contractor for the provision of services, and/or termination of this contract for cause
- (b) Failure to comply with Monitoring requirements shall result in:
  - i. DHCS shall issue a report to Contractor after conducting monitoring, utilization, or fiscal auditing reviews of a county. When the DHCS report identifies non-compliant services or processes, it shall require a CAP. The Contractor shall submit a CAP to DHCS within the following timeframes of receipt of the DHCS report.
    - a. The CAP shall include a statement of the problem and the goal of the actions the Contractor or its subcontracted provider will take to correct the deficiency or non-compliance. The CAP shall:
      - (1) Address the specific actions to correct deficiency or non-compliance;  
  
Identify who/which unit(s) will act; who/which unit(s) are accountable for acting; and
      - (2) Provide a timeline to complete the actions.
  - ii. DHCS will provide written approval of the CAP to the Contractor and the subcontracted provider. If DHCS does not approve the CAP submitted by the Contractor, DHCS will provide guidance on the deficient areas and request an updated CAP from the Contractor with a new deadline for submission.
  - iii. If the Contractor does not submit a CAP, or, does not implement the approved CAP provisions within the designated timeline, then the State may withhold funds until the Contractor is in compliance. The State shall inform the Contractor when funds will be withheld.

**Section 5: Investigations and Confidentiality of Administrative Actions**

- A. Contractor acknowledges that if a DMC provider is under investigation by the State or any other state, local or federal law enforcement agency for fraud or abuse, the State may temporarily suspend the provider from the DMC program, pursuant to W&I Section 14043.36(a). Information about a provider's administrative sanction status is confidential

until such time as the action is either completed or resolved. The DHCS may also issue a Payment Suspension to a provider pursuant to W&I Section 14107.11 and Code of Federal Regulations, Title 42, section 455.23. The Contractor is to withhold payments from a DMC provider during the time a Payment Suspension is in effect.

- B. Contractor shall execute the Confidentiality Agreement, attached as Document 5A. The Confidentiality Agreement permits DHCS to communicate with Contractor concerning subcontracted providers that are subject to administrative sanctions.

**EXHIBIT A, ATTACHMENT I**

**DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015**

The following documents are hereby incorporated by reference into the County contract though they may not be physically attached to the contract but will be issued in a CD under separate cover:

Document 1A:	Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations 96, Subparts C and L, Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant Requirements  <a href="http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_04/45cfr96_04.html">http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_04/45cfr96_04.html</a>
Document 1B:	Title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, Charitable Choice Regulations  <a href="http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_04/42cfr54_04.html">http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_04/42cfr54_04.html</a>
Document 1C:	Driving-Under-the-Influence Program Requirements
Document 1D(b):	SAPT Female Offender Treatment Project (FOTP)
Document 1F(a):	Reporting Requirement Matrix – County Submission Requirements for the Department of Health Care Services
Document 1G:	Perinatal Services Network Guidelines 2014 (for Non-DMC Perinatal Programs)
Document 1H(a):	Service Code Descriptions
Document 1H(b):	Program Code Listing
Document 1H(c) :	Funding Line Descriptions
Document 1J(a):	Non-Drug Medi-Cal Audit Appeals Process
Document 1J(b):	DMC Audit Appeals Process
Document 1K:	Drug and Alcohol Treatment Access Report (DATAR)  <a href="http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/DATAR.aspx">http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/DATAR.aspx</a>
Document 1P:	Alcohol and/or Other Drug Program Certification Standards (March 15, 2004)  <a href="http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/Facility_Certification.aspx">http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/Facility_Certification.aspx</a>
Document 1T:	CalOMS Prevention User Manual

- Document 1V: Youth Treatment Guidelines  
[http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Documents/Youth\\_Treatment\\_Guidelines.pdf](http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Documents/Youth_Treatment_Guidelines.pdf)
- Document 2A: Sobky v. Smoley, Judgment, Signed February 1, 1995
- Document 2C: Title 22, California Code of Regulations  
<http://ccr.oal.ca.gov>
- Document 2E: Drug Medi-Cal Certification Standards for Substance Abuse Clinics (Updated July 1, 2004)  
<http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Documents/DMC%20Documents%20for%20PED%20webpage/Drug%20Medi-Cal%20Certification%20Standards.pdf>
- Document 2F: Standards for Drug Treatment Programs (October 21, 1981)  
<http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Documents/DMC%20Documents%20for%20PED%20webpage/DMC%20Standards%20for%20Drug%20Treatment%20Programs.pdf>
- Document 2K: Multiple Billing Override Certification (MC 6700)
- Document 2L(a): Good Cause Certification (MC 6065A)
- Document 2L(b): Good Cause Certification (MC 6065B)
- Document 2P: County Certification - Cost Report Year-End Claim For Reimbursement
- Document 2P(a): Drug Medi-Cal Cost Report Forms – Intensive Outpatient Treatment – Non-Perinatal (form and instructions)
- Document 2P(b): Drug Medi-Cal Cost Report Forms – Intensive Outpatient Treatment – Perinatal (form and instructions)
- Document 2P(c): Drug Medi-Cal Cost Report Forms – Outpatient Drug Free Individual Counseling – Non-Perinatal (form and instructions)
- Document 2P(d): Drug Medi-Cal Cost Report Forms – Outpatient Drug Free Individual Counseling – Perinatal (form and instructions)
- Document 2P(e): Drug Medi-Cal Cost Report Forms – Outpatient Drug Free Group Counseling – Non-Perinatal (form and instructions)

Document 2P(f):	Drug Medi-Cal Cost Report Forms – Outpatient Drug Free Group Counseling – Perinatal (form and instructions)
Document 2P(g):	Drug Medi-Cal Cost Report Forms – Residential – Perinatal (form and instructions)
Document 2P(h):	Drug Medi-Cal Cost Report Forms – Narcotic Treatment Program – County – Non-Perinatal (form and instructions)
Document 2P(i):	Drug Medi-Cal Cost Report Forms – Narcotic Treatment Program – County – Perinatal (form and instructions)
Document 3G:	California Code of Regulations, Title 9 – Rehabilitation and Developmental Services, Division 4 – Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs, Chapter 4 – Narcotic Treatment Programs  <a href="http://www.calregs.com">http://www.calregs.com</a>
Document 3H:	California Code of Regulations, Title 9 – Rehabilitation and Developmental Services, Division 4 – Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs, Chapter 8 – Certification of Alcohol and Other Drug Counselors  <a href="http://www.calregs.com">http://www.calregs.com</a>
Document 3J:	CalOMS Treatment Data Collection Guide  <a href="http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Documents/CalOMS_Tx_Data_Collection_Guide_JAN%202014.pdf">http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Documents/CalOMS Tx Data Collection Guide JAN%202014.pdf</a>
Document 3O:	Quarterly Federal Financial Management Report (QFFMR) 2014-15  <a href="http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/SUD_Forms.aspx">http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/SUD_Forms.aspx</a>
Document 3S	CalOMS Treatment Data Compliance Standards
Document 3T	Non-Drug Medi-Cal and Drug Medi-Cal Local Assistance Funding Matrix
Document 3T(a)	SAPT Authorized and Restricted Expenditures Information (Nov 2012)
Document 3V	Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) National Standards  <a href="http://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/templates/browse.aspx?lvl=2&amp;lvlID=15">http://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/templates/browse.aspx?lvl=2&amp;lvlID=15</a>
Document 4A :	Drug Medi-Cal Claim Submission Certification – County Contracted Provider – DHCS Form MC 8186 with Instructions
Document 4B :	Drug Medi-Cal Claim Submission Certification – County Operated Provider – DHCS Form MC 8187 with Instructions

- Document 4D : Drug Medi-Cal Certification for Federal Reimbursement (DHCS 100224A)
- Document 4E : Treatment Standards for Substance Use Diagnosis: A Guide for Services (Spring 2010)
- Document 4F : Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) Services Quarterly Claim for Reimbursement of County Administrative Expenses (Form #MC 5312)
- Document 5A : Confidentiality Agreement



**Exhibit B**  
Budget Detail and Payment Provisions  
Fiscal Year 2014-15

**Part I – General Fiscal Provisions**

**Section 1 – General Fiscal Provisions**

A. Fiscal Provisions

For services satisfactorily rendered, and upon receipt and approval of documentation as identified in Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part III, DHCS agrees to compensate the Contractor for actual expenditures incurred in accordance with the rates and/or allowable costs specified herein.

B. Use of State Funds

Contractor may not use allocated Drug Medi-Cal State General Funds to pay for any non-Drug Medi-Cal services.

C. Funding Authorization

Contractor shall bear the financial risk in providing any substance use disorder services covered by this Contract.

D. Availability of Funds

It is understood that, for the mutual benefit of both parties, this Contract may have been written before ascertaining the availability of congressional appropriation of funds in order to avoid program and fiscal delays that would occur if this Contract were not executed until after that determination. If so, State may amend the amount of funding provided for in this Contract based on the actual congressional appropriation.

E. Subcontractor Funding Limitations

Pursuant to HSC Section 11818(2)(A), Contractor shall reimburse its Subcontractors that receive a combination of Medi-Cal funding and other federal or county realignment funding for the same service element and location based on the Subcontractor's actual costs in accordance with Medicaid reimbursement requirements as specified in Title XIX or Title XXI of the Social Security Act; Title 22, and the State's Medicaid Plan. Payments at negotiated rates shall be settled to actual cost at year-end.

F. Budget Contingency Clause

It is mutually agreed that if the Budget Act of the current year and/or any subsequent years covered under this Agreement does not appropriate sufficient funds for the program, this Agreement shall be of no further force and effect. In this event, DHCS shall have no liability to pay any funds whatsoever to Contractor or to furnish any other considerations under this Agreement and Contractor shall not be obligated to perform any provisions of this Agreement.

If funding for any fiscal year is reduced or deleted by the Budget Act for purposes of this program, DHCS shall have the option to either cancel this Agreement with no liability occurring to DHCS, or offer an agreement amendment to Contractor to reflect the reduced amount.

G. Expense Allowability / Fiscal Documentation

1. Invoices, received from a Contractor and accepted and/or submitted for payment by DHCS, shall not be deemed evidence of allowable agreement costs.
2. Contractor shall maintain for review and audit and supply to DHCS upon request, adequate documentation of all expenses claimed pursuant to this Agreement to permit a determination of expense allowability.
3. If the allowability or appropriateness of an expense cannot be determined by DHCS because invoice detail, fiscal records, or backup documentation is nonexistent or inadequate according to generally accepted accounting principles, and generally accepted governmental audit standards, all questionable costs may be disallowed and payment may be withheld by DHCS. Upon receipt of adequate documentation supporting a disallowed or questionable expense, reimbursement may resume for the amount substantiated and deemed allowable.
4. Costs and/or expenses deemed unallowable are subject to recovery by DHCS.

H. Maintenance of Effort for SAPT Block Grant

1. Notwithstanding any other provision in this contract, the Director may reduce federal funding allocations, on a dollar-for-dollar basis, to a county that has a reduced or anticipates reduced expenditures in a way that would result in a decrease in the federal Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant funds (42 U.S.C. Sect 300x-30).
2. Prior to making any reductions pursuant to this subdivision, the Director shall notify all counties that county underspending will reduce the federal Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant maintenance of effort (MOE). Upon receipt of notification, a county may submit a revision to the county budget initially submitted pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 11978 in an effort to maintain the statewide SAPT Block Grant MOE.

3. Pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 11978.1, a county shall notify the Department in writing of proposed local changes to the county's expenditure of funds. The Department shall review and may approve the proposed local changes depending on the level of expenditures needed to maintain the statewide SAPT Block Grant MOE.
- I. Effective the date of execution of this Contract, nothing in this Contract waives the protections provided to Contractor under Section 36 of article XIII of the California Constitution ("Proposition 30"). Except where specifically stated in the terms of this contract, Contractor's performance of any additional legal requirements, including, but not limited to court-ordered requirements and statutory or regulatory amendments, is subject to Proposition 30's funding requirements.

## **Section 2 – General Fiscal Provisions – Non-Drug Medi-Cal**

### **A. Revenue Collection**

Contractor shall conform to revenue collection requirements in Division 10.5 of the HSC, Sections 11841, by raising revenues in addition to the funds allocated by the State. These revenues include, but are not limited to, fees for services, private contributions, grants, or other governmental funds. These revenues shall be used in support of additional alcohol and other drug services or facilities. Each alcohol and drug program shall set and collect client fees based on the client's ability to pay. The fee requirement shall not apply to prevention and early intervention services. Contractor shall identify in its annual cost report the types and amounts of revenues collected.

### **B. Cost Efficiencies**

It is intended that the cost to the Contractor in maintaining the dedicated capacity and units of service shall be met by the non-DMC funds allocated to the Contractor and other Contractor or Subcontractor revenues. Amounts awarded pursuant to Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part IV, shall not be used for services where payment has been made, or can reasonably be expected to be made under any other state or federal compensation or benefits program, or where services can be paid for from revenues.

## **Section 3 – General Fiscal Provisions – Drug Medi-Cal**

### **A. Return of Unexpended Funds**

Contractor assumes the total cost of providing covered services on the basis of the payments delineated in this Exhibit B, Part II. Any State General Funds or federal Medicaid funds paid to the Contractor, but not expended for DMC services shall be returned to the State.

### **B. Amendment or Cancellation Due to Insufficient Appropriation**

This Contract is valid and enforceable only if sufficient funds are made available to the State by the United States Government for the purpose of the DMC program. It is mutually

agreed that if the Congress does not appropriate sufficient funds for this program, State has the option to void this contract or to amend the Contract to reflect any reduction of funds.

C. Exemptions

Exemptions to the provisions of Item B above, of this Exhibit, may be granted by the California Department of Finance provided that the Director of DHCS certifies in writing that federal funds are available for the term of the contract.

D. Allowable costs

Allowable costs, as used in Section 51516.1 of Title 22 shall be determined in accordance with Title 42, CFR Parts 405 and 413, and Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), "Medicare Provider Reimbursement Manual (Publication Number 15)," which can be obtained from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, or [www.cms.hhs.gov](http://www.cms.hhs.gov)." In accordance with W&IC Sections 14132.44 and 14132.47, funds allocated to the Contractor for DMC services, including funding for alcohol and other drug services for pregnant and postpartum women pursuant to Title 22, Section 51341.1(c), may not be used as match for targeted case management services or for Medi-Cal administrative activities.

**Exhibit B**  
Budget Detail and Payment Provisions  
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**Part II – Reimbursements**

**Section 1. General Reimbursement**

A. Prompt Payment Clause

Payment will be made in accordance with, and within the time specified in, Government Code Chapter 4.5, commencing with Section 927.

B. Amounts Payable

1. The amount payable under this Agreement shall not exceed the amount identified on the Standard Agreement.
2. Reimbursement shall be made for allowable expenses up to the amount annually encumbered commensurate with the state fiscal year in which services are performed and/or goods are received.
3. The funds identified for the fiscal years covered by under this Section, within this Exhibit, are subject to change depending on the availability and amount of funds appropriated by the Legislature and the Federal Government. The amount of funds available for expenditure by the Contractor shall be limited to the amount identified in the final allocations issued by the State for that fiscal year or the non-DMC amount, whichever is less. Changes to allocated funds will require written amendment to the Contract.
4. For each fiscal year, the State may settle costs for services based on each fiscal year year-end cost settlement report as the final amendment for the specific fiscal year cost settlement report to the approved single state/county contract.

**Section 2. Non-Drug Medi-Cal**

A. Amounts Payable for Non-Drug Medi-Cal

1. State shall reimburse the Contractor monthly in arrears an amount equal to one-twelfth of the maximum amount allowed pursuant to Exhibit B of the contract or the most recent allocation based on the Budget Act Allocation, whichever is less. Final allocations will reflect any increases or reductions in the appropriations as reflected in the State Budget Act allocation and any subsequent allocation revisions.
2. Monthly disbursement to the Contract at the beginning of each fiscal year of the Contract shall be based on the preliminary allocation of funds, as detailed in this Exhibit.

3. However, based on the expenditure information submitted by the counties in the Quarterly Federal Financial Management Report (QFFMR) (Document 30), State may adjust monthly payments of encumbered block grant federal funds to extend the length of time (not to exceed 21 months) over which payments of federal funds will be made.
  4. Monthly disbursements to the Contractor at the beginning of each fiscal year of the Contract shall be based on the preliminary allocation of funds, as detailed in Exhibit B.
  5. State may withhold monthly non-DMC payments if the Contractor fails to:
    - (a) timely submit reports and data required by the State, including but not limited to, reports required pursuant to Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part III.
    - (b) submit the contract amendment within 90 days from issuance from the State to the Contractor.
    - (c) submit and certify the completion of Corrective Action Plans for services provided pursuant to this contract.
  6. Upon the State's receipt of the complete and accurate reports, data, or signed contract, the Contractor's monthly payment shall commence with the next scheduled monthly payment, and shall include any funds withheld due to late submission of reports, data and/or signed contract.
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7. Adjustments may be made to the total of the Contract and amounts may be withheld from payments otherwise due to the Contractor hereunder, for nonperformance to the extent that nonperformance involves fraud, abuse, or failure to achieve the objectives of the provisions of Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part IV.

B. Payment Provisions

For each fiscal year, the total amount payable by the State to the Contractor for services provided under Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part IV, shall not exceed the encumbered amount. The funds identified for the fiscal years covered by Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part IV, are subject to change depending on the availability and amount of funds appropriated by the Legislature and the Federal Government. Changes to encumbered funds will require written amendment to the Contract. State may settle costs for non-DMC services based on the year-end cost settlement report as the final amendment to the approved single state/county contract.

- C. In the event a contract amendment is required pursuant to the preceding paragraph, Contractor shall submit to the State information as identified in Exhibit E, Section 1.D. To the extent the Contractor is notified of the State Budget Act allocation prior to the execution of the Contract, the State and the Contractor may agree to amend the contract after the issuance of the first revised allocation.

D. Accrual of Interest

Any interest accrued from State-allocated funds and retained by the Contractor must be used for the same purpose as the State allocated funds from which the interest was accrued.

E. Expenditure Period

Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant funds are allocated based upon the Federal Grant award period. These funds must be expended for activities authorized pursuant to 42 USC Sections 300x-21(b) through 300x-66; and Title 45, CFR, Subpart L, within the availability period of the grant award. Any SAPT Block Grant funds that have not been expended by a Contractor at the end of the expenditure period identified below shall be returned to the State for subsequent return to the Federal government.

1. The expenditure period of the FFY 2014 award is October 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015.
2. The expenditure period of the FFY 2015 award is October 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016.
3. The expenditure period of the FFY 2016 award is October 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017.
4. The expenditure period of the FFY 2017 award is October 1, 2016 through June 30, 2018.
5. The expenditure period of the FFY 2018 award is October 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019.

F. Contractors receiving SAPT Block Grant funds shall comply with the financial management standards contained in Title 45, CFR, Part 92, Sections 92.20(b)(1) through (6), and Title 45, CFR, Part 96, Section 96.30.

G. Non-profit Subcontractors receiving SAPT Block Grant funds shall comply with the financial management standards contained in Title 45, CFR, Part 74, Sections 74.21(b)(1) through (4) and (b)(7), and Part 96, Section 96.30.

H. Contractors receiving SAPT Block Grant funds shall track obligations and expenditures by individual SAPT Block Grant award, including, but not limited to, obligations and expenditures for primary prevention, services to pregnant women and women with dependent children. "Obligation" shall have the same meaning as used in Title 45, CFR, Part 92, Section 92.3."

Additionally, Contractors expending SAPT Block Grant HIV Set Aside funds for HIV Early Intervention Services are required to collect data regarding their use of HIV Set-Aside funds and to report this data to the State.

I. Restrictions on the Use of Federal Block Grant Funds

Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 300x-31, Contractor shall not use SAPT Block Grant funds provided by the Agreement ~~to~~ on the following activities:

1. Provide inpatient services;
  2. Make cash payment to intended recipients of health services;
  3. Purchase or improve land, purchase, construct or permanently improve (other than minor remodeling) any building or other facility or purchase major medical equipment;
  4. Satisfy any requirement for the expenditure of non-Federal funds as a condition for the receipt of Federal funds;
  5. Provide financial assistance to any entity other than a public or nonprofit private entity;
  6. Pay the salary of an individual through a grant or other extramural mechanism at a rate in excess of level I of the Executive Salary Schedule for the award year: see [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/salcap\\_summary.htm](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/salcap_summary.htm);
  7. Purchase treatment services and penal or correctional institutions of this State of California; and
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8. Supplant state funding of programs to prevent and treat substance abuse and related activities.

**Section 3. Drug Medi-Cal**

- A. To the extent that the Contractor provides the covered services in a satisfactory manner and in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract, the State agrees to pay the Contractor federal Medicaid funds according to Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part III. Subject to the availability of such funds, Contractor shall receive federal Medicaid funds and/or State General Funds for allowable expenditures as established by the federal government and approved by the State, for the cost of services rendered to beneficiaries.
- B. Any payment for covered services rendered pursuant to Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part V, shall only be made pursuant to applicable provisions of Title XIX or Title XXI of the Social Security Act; the W&IC; the HSC; California's Medicaid State Plan; and Sections 51341.1, 51490.1, 51516.1, and 51532 of Title 22.
- C. It is understood and agreed that failure by the Contractor or its Subcontractors to comply with applicable federal and state requirements in rendering covered services shall be sufficient cause for the State to deny payments to and/or recover payments from the Contractor and/or terminate the Contractor or its Subcontractor from DMC program participation. If the State or the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) disallows or denies payments for any claim, Contractor shall repay to the State the federal

Medicaid funds and/or State General Funds it received for all claims so disallowed or denied. The overpayment shall be recovered by any of the methods allowed in Title 22, CCR, Sections 51047(a) and (b).

- D. Before such denial, recoupment, or disallowances are made, State shall provide the Contractor with written notice of its proposed action. Such notice shall include the reason for the proposed action and shall allow the Contractor sixty (60) days to submit additional information before the proposed action is taken, as required in Title 22, CCR, Section 51047(a). This requirement does not apply to the DMC Post Service Post Payment Utilization Reviews.
- E. The State shall refund to the Contractor any recovered Federal Drug Medi-Cal overpayment that is subsequently determined to have been erroneously collected, together with interest, in accordance with Title 22, CCR, Section 51047(e).
- F. Contractor shall be reimbursed by the State on the basis of its actual net reimbursable cost, not to exceed the unit of service maximum rate.
- G. Claims submitted to the contractor by a sub-contracted provider that is not certified or whose certification has been suspended pursuant to the Welfare and Institutions Code section 14107.11, and Code of Federal Regulations, Title 42, section 455.23 shall not be certified or processed for federal or state reimbursement by the contractor. Payments for any DMC services shall be held by the Contractor until the payment suspension is resolved.
- H. In the event a contract amendment is required pursuant to the preceding paragraph, Contractor shall submit to the State information as identified in Exhibit E, Section 1.D. To the extent the Contractor is notified of the State Budget Act allocation prior to the execution of the Contract, the State and the Contractor may agree to amend the contract after the issuance of the first revised allocation.
- I. Reimbursement for covered services, other than NTP services, shall be limited to the lower of:
  - 1. the provider's usual and customary charges to the general public for the same or similar services;
  - 2. the provider's actual allowable costs; or
  - 3. the DMC SMA for the modality.
- J. Reimbursement to NTP's shall be limited to the lower of either the USDR rate, pursuant to W&IC Section 14021.51(h), or the provider's usual and customary charge to the general public for the same or similar service. However, reimbursement paid by a county to an NTP provider for services provided to any person subject to Penal Code Sections 1210.1 or 3063.1 and for which the individual client is not liable to pay, does not constitute a usual or customary charge to the general public. (W&IC Section 14021.51(h)(2)(A)).

- K. State shall reimburse the Contractor the State General Funds and/or federal Medicaid amount of the approved DMC claims and documents submitted in accordance with Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part III.
- L. State will adjust subsequent reimbursements to the Contractor to actual allowable costs. Actual allowable costs are defined in the Medicare Provider Reimbursement Manual (CMS-Pub.15), which can be obtained from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Baltimore, Maryland, or [www.cms.hhs.gov](http://www.cms.hhs.gov).
- M. Contractors and Subcontractors must accept, as payment in full, the amounts paid by the State in accordance with Title 22, CCR, Section 51516.1, plus any cost sharing charges (deductible, coinsurance, or copayment) required to be paid by the client. However, Contractors and Subcontractors may not deny services to any client eligible for DMC services on account of the client's inability to pay or location of eligibility. Contractors and Subcontractors may not demand any additional payment from the State, client, or other third party payers.

#### **Section 4. Drug Medi-Cal Direct Provider Contracts**

- A. Pursuant to W&IC 14124.21, DHCS shall contract with qualified DMC providers within the county when a county does not contract to operate DMC services, in whole or in part.
- B. The State will invoice the Contractor for the county realignment share of approved DMC claims received by the State from the State's subcontractor. Contractor shall reimburse the State for the county realignment share of the approved DMC claims within 30 days of receipt of the invoice. If Contractor does not reimburse the State within 30 days of receipt of the invoice, the State may offset the amount owed from any other funding owed to Contractor by the State or any other State agency. The parties acknowledge that the State's subcontractor shall be responsible for repayment of any disallowed claims. However, in no event shall the State be liable for Medicaid reimbursement for any disallowed claims.
  - 1. Any Contractor contracting with the State for the provision of services through NTP providers may receive reimbursement of the NTP administrative rate.
  - 2. As a result of the direct contract provider's settled cost report, any County Realignment funds owed to the direct contract provider will be handled through an invoice process to the Contractor. Additionally, as a result of the direct contract provider's settled cost report, any County Realignment funds owed to the State will be returned to the Contractor.

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**Part III - Financial Audit Requirements**

**Section 1. General Fiscal Audit Requirements**

- A. In addition to the requirements identified below, the Contractor and its Subcontracts are required to meet the audit requirements as delineated in Exhibit C, General Terms and Conditions, and Exhibit D(F), Special Terms and Conditions, of this Contract.
- B. All expenditures of county realignment funds, state and federal funds furnished to the Contractor and its Subcontractors pursuant to this Contract are subject to audit by the State. Such audits shall consider and build upon external independent audits performed pursuant to audit requirements of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 (Revised December 2013). Objectives of such audits may include, but not limited to, the following:
  - 1. To determine whether units of service claimed/reported are properly documented by service records and accurately accumulated for claiming/reporting;
  - 2. To validate data reported by the Contractor for prospective contract negotiations;
  - 3. To provide technical assistance in addressing current year activities and providing recommendation on internal controls; accounting procedures, financial records, and compliance with laws and regulations;
  - 4. To determine the cost of services, net of related patient and participant fees, third-party payments, and other related revenues and funds;
  - 5. To determine that expenditures are made in accordance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations and contract requirements, and/or;
  - 6. To determine the facts in relation to analysis of data, complaints, or allegations, which may be indicative of fraud, abuse, willful misrepresentation, or failure to achieve the Contract objectives of Exhibit C and D(F).
- C. Unannounced visits may be made at the discretion of the State.
- D. The refusal of the Contractor or its Subcontractors to permit access to and inspection of electronic or print books and records, physical facilities, and/or refusal to permit interviews with employees, as described in this part constitutes an express and immediate material breach of this Contract and will be sufficient basis to terminate the Contract for cause or default.
- E. Reports of audits conducted by the State shall reflect all findings, recommendations, adjustments and corrective action as a result of it's finding in any areas.

**Section 2. Non-Drug Medi-Cal Financial Audits**

- A. Pursuant to OMB Circular A-133 §\_\_\_.400(d)(3), Contractor shall monitor the activities of all of its Subcontractors to ensure that:
1. Subcontractors are complying with program requirements and achieving performance goals
  2. Subcontractors are complying with fiscal requirements, such as having appropriate fiscal controls in place, and are using awards for authorized purposes.
- B. Contractor can use a variety of monitoring mechanism, including limited scope audits, on-site visits, progress reports, financial reports, and review of documentation support requests for reimbursement, to meet the Contractor's monitoring objectives. The Contractor may charge federal awards for the cost of these monitoring procedures as outlined in OMB Circular A-133.
- C. The Contractor shall submit to the State a copy of the procedures and any other monitoring mechanism used to monitor non-profit Subcontracts at the time of the County's annual site visit or within 60 days thereafter. Contractor shall state the frequency that non-profit Subcontracts are monitored.
- D. Limited scope audits, as defined in the OMB Circular A-133, only include agreed-upon engagements that are (1) conducted in accordance with either the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants generally accepted auditing standards or attestation standards; (2) paid for and arranged by pass-through entities (counties); and (3) address one or more of the following types of compliance requirements: (i) activities allowed or unallowed; (ii) allowable costs/cost principals; (iii) eligibility; (9v) matching, level of effort and earmarking; and (v) reporting.
- E. On-site visits focus on compliance and controls over compliance areas. The reviewer must make site visits to the subcontractor locations(s), and can use a variety of monitoring mechanism to document compliance requirements. The finding and the corrective action will require follow-up by the Contractor.
- F. Contractor shall be responsible for any disallowance taken by the Federal Government, the State, or the California State Audit, as a result of any audit exception that is related to the Contractor's responsibilities herein. Contractor shall not use funds administered by the State to repay one federal funding source with funds provided by another federal funding source, to repay federal funds with state funds, or to repay state funds with federal funds. State shall invoice Contractor 60 days after issuing the final audit report or upon resolution of an audit appeal. Contractor agrees to develop and implement any corrective action plans in a manner acceptable to the State in order to comply with recommendations contained in any audit report. Such corrective action plans shall include time-specific objectives to allow for measurement of progress and are subject to verification by the state within one year from the date of the plan.

If differences cannot be resolved between the State and Contractor regarding the terms of the financial audit settlements for funds expended under Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part IV, Contractor may request an appeal in accordance with the appeal process described in Document 1J(a), "Non-DMC Audit Appeal Process," incorporated by this reference. When a financial audit is conducted by the Federal Government, the State, or the California State Auditor directly with a Subcontractor of the Contractor, and if the Subcontractor disagrees with audit disallowances related to its programs, claims or services, Contractor shall, at the Subcontractor's request, request an appeal to the State in accordance with Document 1J(a). Contractor shall include a provision in its subcontracts regarding the process by which its Subcontractors may file an appeal via the Contractors.

- G. Contractors that conduct financial audits of Subcontractors, other than a Subcontractor whose funding consists entirely of non-Department funds, shall develop a process to resolve disputed financial findings and notify Subcontractors of their appeal rights pursuant to that process. This section shall not apply to those grievances or compliances arising from the financial findings of an audit or examination made by or on behalf of the State pursuant to Article IV of this Contract.
- H. Pursuant to OMB Circular A-133, State may impose sanctions against the Contractor for not submitting single or program-specific audit reports, or failure to comply with all other audit requirements. The sanctions shall include:
  - 1. Withholding a percentage of federal awards until the audit is completed satisfactorily
  - 2. Withhold or disallowing overhead costs
  - 3. Suspending federal awards until the audit is conducted; or
  - 4. Terminating the federal award

### **Section 3. Drug Medi-Cal Financial Audits**

- A. In addition to the audit requirements set forth in Exhibit D(F), State may also conduct financial audits of DMC programs, exclusive of NTP services, to accomplish any of, but not limited to, the following audit objectives:
  - 7. To review reported costs for validity, appropriate allocation methodology, and compliance with Medicaid laws and regulations;
  - 8. To ensure that only the cost of allowable DMC activities are included in reported costs;
  - 9. To determine the provider's usual and customary charge to the general public in accordance with CMS (The Medicare Provider Reimbursement Manual) (CMS-Pub.15), which can be obtained from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Baltimore, Maryland, or [www.cms.hhs.gov](http://www.cms.hhs.gov), for comparison to the DMC cost per unit;
  - 10. To review documentation of units of service and determine the final number of approved units of service;

11. To determine the amount of clients' third-party revenue and Medi-Cal share of cost to offset allowable DMC reimbursement; and,
  12. To compute final settlement based on the lower of actual allowable cost, the usual and customary charge, or the maximum allowance, in accordance with Title 22, Section 51516.1.
- B. In addition to the audit requirements set forth in Exhibit D(F), State may conduct financial audits of NTP programs. For NTP services, the audits will address items A(3) through A(5) above, except that the comparison of the provider's usual and customary charge in A(3) will be to the DMC USDR rate in lieu of DMC cost per unit. In addition, these audits will include, but not be limited to:
1. For those NTP providers required to submit a cost report pursuant to W&IC Section 14124.24, a review of cost allocation methodology between NTP and other service modalities, and between DMC and other funding sources;
  2. A review of actual costs incurred for comparison to services claimed;
  3. A review of counseling claims to ensure that the appropriate group or individual counseling rate has been used and that counseling sessions have been billed appropriately;
  4. A review of the number of clients in group sessions to ensure that sessions include no less than four and no more than ten clients at the same time, with at least one Medi-Cal client in attendance;
  5. Computation of final settlement based on the lower of USDR rate or the provider's usual and customary charge to the general public; and,
  6. A review of supporting service, time, financial, and patient records to verify the validity of counseling claims.
- C. Contractor shall be responsible for any disallowances taken by the Federal Government, the State, or the Bureau of State Audits as a result of any audit exception that is related to its responsibilities. Contractor shall not use funds administered by the State to repay one federal funding source with funds provided by another federal funding source, or to repay federal funds with state funds, or to repay state funds with federal funds
- D. Contractor agrees to promptly develop and implement any corrective action plans in a manner acceptable to the State in order to comply with recommendations contained in any audit report. Such corrective action plans shall include time-specific objectives to allow for measurement of progress and are subject to verification by the State within six months from the date of the plan.
- E. Contractor, in coordination with the State, must provide follow-up on all significant findings in the audit report, including findings relating to a Subcontractor, and submit the results to the State.

If differences cannot be resolved between the State and the Contractor regarding the terms of the final financial audit settlements for funds expended under Exhibit B, Contractor may request an appeal in accordance with the appeal process described in the "DMC Audit Appeal Process," Document 1J(b), incorporated by this reference. When a financial audit is conducted by the Federal Government, the State, or the Bureau of State Audits directly with a Subcontractor of the Contractor, and if the Subcontractor disagrees with audit disallowances related to its programs, claims or services, Contractor shall, at the Subcontractor's request, request an appeal to the State in accordance with Document 1J(b). Contractor shall include a provision in its subcontracts regarding the process by which a Subcontractor may file an audit appeal via the Contractor.

- F. Providers of DMC services shall, upon request, make available to the State their fiscal and other records to assure that such provider have adequate recordkeeping capability and to assure that reimbursement for covered DMC services are made in accordance with Title 22, CCR, Section 51516.1. These records include, but are not limited to, matters pertaining to:
1. Provider ownership, organization, and operation;
  2. Fiscal, medical, and other recordkeeping systems;
  3. Federal income tax status;
  4. Asset acquisition, lease, sale, or other action;
  5. Franchise or management arrangements;
  6. Patient service charge schedules;
  7. Costs of operation;
  8. Cost allocation methodology;
  9. Amounts of income received by source and purpose; and,
  10. Flow of funds and working capital.
- G. Contractor shall retain records of utilization review activities required in Article VI herein for a minimum of three (3) years.

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**Part IV – Records**

**Section 1. General Provisions**

**A. Maintenance of Records**

Contractor shall maintain sufficient books, records, documents, and other evidence necessary for the State to audit contract performance and contract compliance. Contractor shall make these records available to the State, upon request, to evaluate the quality and quantity of services, accessibility and appropriateness of services, and to ensure fiscal accountability. Regardless of the location or ownership of such records, they shall be sufficient to determine if costs incurred by contractor are reasonable, allowable and allocated appropriately. All records must be capable of verification by qualified auditors.

1. Contractor shall include in any contract with an audit firm a clause to permit access by the State to the working papers of the external independent auditor, and require that copies of the working papers shall be made for the State at its request.
2. Contractor shall keep adequate and sufficient financial records and statistical data to support the year-end documents filed with the State. All records must be capable of verification by qualified auditors.

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3. Accounting records and supporting documents shall be retained for a three-year period from the date the year-end cost settlement report was approved by the State for interim settlement. When an audit by the Federal Government, the State, or the California State Auditor has been started before the expiration of the three-year period, the records shall be retained until completion of the audit and final resolution of all issues that arise in the audit. Final settlement shall be made at the end of the audit and appeal process. If an audit has not been completed within three years, the interim settlement shall be considered as the final settlement.
4. Financial records shall be kept so that they clearly reflect the source of funding for each type of service for which reimbursement is claimed. These documents include, but are not limited to, all ledgers, books, vouchers, time sheets, payrolls, appointment schedules, client data cards, and schedules for allocating costs. All records must be capable of verification by qualified auditors.
5. Contractor's subcontracts shall require that all Subcontractors comply with the requirements of Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part V, Section 2.

6. Should a Subcontractor discontinue its contractual agreement with the Contractor, or cease to conduct business in its entirety, Contractor shall be responsible for retaining the Subcontractor's fiscal and program records for the required retention period. The State Administrative Manual (SAM) contains statutory requirements governing the retention, storage, and disposal of records pertaining to state funds. Contractor shall follow SAM requirements located at <http://sam.dgs.ca.gov/TOC/1600.aspx>.

The Contractor shall retain all records required by Welfare and Institutions Code section 14124.1, 42 CFR 433.32, and California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 51341.1 et seq. for reimbursement of services and financial audit purposes.

7. In the expenditure of funds hereunder, and as required by 45 CFR Part 96, Contractor shall comply with the requirements of SAM and the laws and procedures applicable to the obligation and expenditure of federal and state funds.

B. Dispute Resolution Process

1. In the event of a dispute under this Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part IV, other than an audit dispute, Contractor shall provide written notice of the particulars of the dispute to the State before exercising any other available remedy. Written notice shall include the contract number. The Director (or designee) of the State and the County Drug or Alcohol Program Administrator (or designee) shall meet to discuss the means by which they can effect an equitable resolution to the dispute. Contractor shall receive a written response from the State within sixty (60) days of the notice of dispute. The written response shall reflect the issues discussed at the meeting and state how the dispute will be resolved.
2. In the event of a dispute over financial audit findings between the State and the Contractor, Contractor may appeal the audit in accordance with the "non- DMC Audit Appeal Process" (Document 1J(a)). When a financial audit by the Federal Government, the State, or the California State Auditor is conducted directly with a Subcontractor of the Contractor, and if the Subcontractor disagrees with audit disallowances related to its programs, claims or services, Contractor shall, at the Subcontractor's request, request an appeal to the State in accordance with Document 1J(a). Contractor shall include a provision in its subcontracts regarding the process by which a Subcontractor may file an audit appeal via the Contractor.
3. As stated in Part III, Section 3, of this Exhibit, in the event of a dispute over financial audit findings between the State and the Contractor, Contractor may appeal the audit in accordance with DMC Audit Appeal Process" (Document 1J(b)). When a financial audit by the Federal Government, the State, or the California State Auditor is conducted directly with a Subcontractor of the Contractor, and if the Subcontractor disagrees with audit disallowances related to its programs, claims or services, Contractor shall, at the Subcontractor's request, request an appeal to the State in accordance with DMC Audit Appeal Process" (Document 1J(b)). Contractor shall include a provision in its subcontracts regarding the process by which a Subcontractor may file an audit appeal via the Contractor.

4. Contractors that conduct financial audits of Subcontractors, other than a Subcontractor whose funding consists entirely of non-Department funds, shall develop a process to resolve disputed financial findings and notify Subcontractors of their appeal rights pursuant to that process. This section shall not apply to those grievances or complaints arising from the financial findings of an audit or examination made by or on behalf of the State pursuant to Part II of this Exhibit.
  5. To ensure that necessary corrective actions are taken, financial audit findings are either uncontested or upheld after appeal may be used by the State during prospective contract negotiations.
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**Part V. Drug Medi-Cal Reimbursement Rates**

- A. **"Uniform Statewide Daily Reimbursement (USDR) Rate"** means the rate for NTP services based on a unit of service that is a daily treatment service provided pursuant to Title 22, Sections 51341.1 and 51516.1 and Title 9, commencing with Section 10000 (Document 3G), or the rate for individual or group counseling. The following table shows the proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-15 USDR rates.

Service	Type of Unit of Service (UOS)	Non-Perinatal (Regular) Rate Per UOS	Perinatal Rate Per UOS
NTP-Methadone Dosing	Daily	\$10.80	\$11.79
NTP-Individual Counseling (*)	One 10-minute increment	\$13.48	\$21.06
NTP Group Counseling (*)	One 10-minute increment	\$2.91	\$7.03

(\*) The NTP contractors may be reimbursed for up to 200 minutes (20-10 minute increments) of individual and/or group counseling per calendar month per beneficiary. If medical necessity is met that requires additional NTP counseling beyond 200 minutes per calendar month, NTP contractors may bill and be reimbursed for additional counseling (in 10 minute increments). Medical justification for the additional counseling must be clearly documented in the patient record.

Reimbursement for covered NTP services shall be limited to the lower of the NTP's usual and customary charge to the general public for the same or similar services or the USDR rate.

- B. “Unit of Service”** means a face-to-face contact on a calendar day for outpatient drug free, intensive outpatient treatment, perinatal residential, and Naltrexone treatment services. Only one face-to-face service contact per day is covered by DMC except in the case of emergencies when an additional face-to-face contact may be covered for intake crisis intervention or collateral service. To count as a unit of service, the second contact shall not duplicate the services provided on the first contact, and each contact shall be clearly documented in the beneficiary’s record. While the rates are approved by the State, they are subject to change through the regulation process. Units of service and proposed SMA for FY 2014-15 are identified in the following table.

Service	Type of Unit of Service (UOS)	Non-Perinatal (Regular) Rate Per UOS	Perinatal Rate Per UOS
Intensive Outpatient Treatment	Face-to-Face Visit	\$56.44	\$80.78
Naltrexone Treatment	Face-to-Face Visit	\$19.06	NA
Outpatient Drug Free	Face-to Face Visit – Individual (per person)	\$67.38	\$105.32
	Face-to-Face Visit – Group (per person)	\$26.23	\$63.33
Perinatal Residential	Daily – Residential Day	NA	\$99.43

## Exhibit B, Attachment I - Funding for Fiscal Year 2014-15 through FY 2016-17

County: El Dorado

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Fiscal Year 2014-15	2014-15 Funding Amount
State General Funds (7/1/14 to 6/30/15)	
Drug Medi-Cal SGF	62,256
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>62,256</b>
SAPT Block Grant - FFY 2015 Award (10/1/14 to 6/30/16)	
- Discretionary	680,400
- Adolescent/Youth	14,222
- Prevention Set-Aside	192,371
- Friday Night Live/Club Live	6,000
- HIV Set Aside	16,538
- Perinatal	48,793
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>958,324</b>
Drug Medi-Cal Federal Share (7/1/14 to 6/30/15)	
- Non Perinatal Federal Share	57,836
- Perinatal Federal Share	203,344
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>261,180</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>1,281,760</b>

Fiscal Year 2015-16	2015-16 Funding Amount
State General Funds (7/1/15 to 6/30/16)	
Drug Medi-Cal SGF	62,256
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>62,256</b>
SAPT Block Grant - FFY 2016 Award (10/1/15 to 6/30/17)	
- Discretionary	680,400
- Adolescent/Youth	14,222
- Prevention Set-Aside	192,371
- Friday Night Live/Club Live	6,000
- HIV Set Aside	16,538
- Perinatal	48,793
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>958,324</b>
Drug Medi-Cal Federal Share (7/1/15 to 6/30/16)	
- Non Perinatal Federal Share	57,836
- Perinatal Federal Share	203,344
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>261,180</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>1,281,760</b>

Fiscal Year 2016-17	2016-17 Funding Amount
State General Funds (7/1/16 to 6/30/17)	
Drug Medi-Cal SGF	62,256
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>62,256</b>
SAPT Block Grant - FFY 2017 Award (10/1/16 to 6/30/18)	
- Discretionary	680,400
- Adolescent/Youth	14,222
- Prevention Set-Aside	192,371
- Friday Night Live/Club Live	6,000
- HIV Set Aside	16,538
- Perinatal	48,793
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>958,324</b>
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<b>THREE-YEAR TOTAL</b>	<b>3,845,280</b>
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## Special Terms and Conditions

*(For federally funded service contracts or agreements and grant agreements)*

The use of headings or titles throughout this exhibit is for convenience only and shall not be used to interpret or to govern the meaning of any specific term or condition.

The terms "contract", "Contractor" and "Subcontractor" shall also mean, "agreement", "grant", "grant agreement", "Grantee" and "Subgrantee" respectively.

The terms "California Department of Health Care Services", "California Department of Health Services", "Department of Health Care Services", "Department of Health Services", "CDHCS", "DHCS", "CDHS", and "DHS" shall all have the same meaning and refer to the California State agency that is a party to this Agreement.

This exhibit contains provisions that require strict adherence to various contracting laws and policies. Some provisions herein are conditional and only apply if specified conditions exist (i.e., agreement total exceeds a certain amount; agreement is federally funded, etc.). The provisions herein apply to this Agreement unless the provisions are removed by reference on the face of this Agreement, the provisions are superseded by an alternate provision appearing elsewhere in this Agreement, or the applicable conditions do not exist.

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## 1. Federal Equal Opportunity Requirements

(Applicable to all federally funded agreements entered into by the Department of Health Care Services)

- a. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, physical or mental handicap, disability, age or status as a disabled veteran or veteran of the Vietnam era. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that qualified applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, physical or mental handicap, disability, age or status as a disabled veteran or veteran of the Vietnam era. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and career development opportunities and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Federal Government or DHCS, setting forth the provisions of the Equal Opportunity clause, Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the affirmative action clause required by the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974 (38 U.S.C. 4212). Such notices shall state the Contractor's obligation under the law to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified applicants without discrimination based on their race, color, religion, sex, national origin physical or mental handicap, disability, age or status as a disabled veteran or veteran of the Vietnam era and the rights of applicants and employees.
- b. The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advancements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin physical or mental handicap, disability, age or status as a disabled veteran or veteran of the Vietnam era.
- c. The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding a notice, to be provided by the Federal Government or the State, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under the provisions herein and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- d. The Contractor will comply with all provisions of and furnish all information and reports required by Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974 (38 U.S.C. 4212) and of the Federal Executive Order No. 11246 as amended, including by Executive Order 11375, 'Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,' and as supplemented by regulation at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of the Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- e. The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Federal Executive Order No. 11246 as amended, including by Executive Order 11375, 'Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,' and as supplemented by regulation at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of the Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to its books, records, and accounts by the State and its designated representatives and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- f. In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the requirements of the provisions herein or with any federal rules, regulations, or orders which are referenced herein, this Agreement may be cancelled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further federal and state contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Federal Executive Order No. 11246 as amended and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Federal Executive Order No. 11246 as amended, including by Executive Order 11375, 'Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,' and as supplemented by regulation at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of the Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

- g. The Contractor will include the provisions of Paragraphs a through g in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to Federal Executive Order No. 11246 as amended, including by Executive Order 11375, 'Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,' and as supplemented by regulation at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of the Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," or Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or (38 U.S.C. 4212) of the Vietnam Era Veteran's Readjustment Assistance Act, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs or DHCS may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance provided, however, that in the event the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by DHCS, the Contractor may request in writing to DHCS, who, in turn, may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the State and of the United States.

## 2. Travel and Per Diem Reimbursement

(Applicable if travel and/or per diem expenses are reimbursed with agreement funds.)

Reimbursement for travel and per diem expenses from DHCS under this Agreement shall, unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, be at the rates currently in effect, as established by the California Department of Personnel Administration (DPA), for nonrepresented state employees as stipulated in DHCS' Travel Reimbursement Information Exhibit. If the DPA rates change during the term of the Agreement, the new rates shall apply upon their effective date and no amendment to this Agreement shall be necessary. Exceptions to DPA rates may be approved by DHCS upon the submission of a statement by the Contractor indicating that such rates are not available to the Contractor. No travel outside the State of California shall be reimbursed without prior authorization from DHCS. Verbal authorization should be confirmed in writing. Written authorization may be in a form including fax or email confirmation.

## 3. Procurement Rules

(Applicable to agreements in which equipment/property, commodities and/or supplies are furnished by DHCS or expenses for said items are reimbursed by DHCS with state or federal funds provided under the Agreement.)

### a. Equipment/Property definitions

Wherever the term equipment and/or property is used, the following definitions shall apply:

- (1) **Major equipment/property:** A tangible or intangible item having a base unit cost of **\$5,000 or more** with a life expectancy of one (1) year or more and is either furnished by DHCS or the cost is reimbursed through this Agreement. Software and videos are examples of intangible items that meet this definition.
  - (2) **Minor equipment/property:** A tangible item having a base unit cost of **less than \$5,000** with a life expectancy of one (1) year or more and is either furnished by DHCS or the cost is reimbursed through this Agreement.
- b. **Government and public entities** (including state colleges/universities and auxiliary organizations), whether acting as a contractor and/or subcontractor, may secure all commodities, supplies, equipment and services related to such purchases that are required in performance of this Agreement. Said procurements are subject to Paragraphs d through h of Provision 3. Paragraph c of Provision 3 shall also apply, if equipment/property purchases are delegated to subcontractors that are nonprofit organizations or commercial businesses.
- c. **Nonprofit organizations and commercial businesses**, whether acting as a contractor and/or subcontractor, may secure commodities, supplies, equipment/property and services related to such purchases for performance under this Agreement.

- (1) Equipment/property purchases shall not exceed \$50,000 annually.

To secure equipment/property above the annual maximum limit of \$50,000, the Contractor shall

make arrangements through the appropriate DHCS Program Contract Manager, to have all remaining equipment/property purchased through DHCS' Purchasing Unit. The cost of equipment/property purchased by or through DHCS shall be deducted from the funds available in this Agreement. Contractor shall submit to the DHCS Program Contract Manager a list of equipment/property specifications for those items that the State must procure. DHCS may pay the vendor directly for such arranged equipment/property purchases and title to the equipment/property will remain with DHCS. The equipment/property will be delivered to the Contractor's address, as stated on the face of the Agreement, unless the Contractor notifies the DHCS Program Contract Manager, in writing, of an alternate delivery address.

- (2) All equipment/property purchases are subject to Paragraphs d through h of Provision 3. Paragraph b of Provision 3 shall also apply, if equipment/property purchases are delegated to subcontractors that are either a government or public entity.
- (3) Nonprofit organizations and commercial businesses shall use a procurement system that meets the following standards:
  - (a) Maintain a code or standard of conduct that shall govern the performance of its officers, employees, or agents engaged in awarding procurement contracts. No employee, officer, or agent shall participate in the selection, award, or administration of a procurement, or bid contract in which, to his or her knowledge, he or she has a financial interest.
  - (b) Procurements shall be conducted in a manner that provides, to the maximum extent practical, open, and free competition.
  - (c) Procurements shall be conducted in a manner that provides for all of the following:
    - [1] Avoid purchasing unnecessary or duplicate items.
    - [2] Equipment/property solicitations shall be based upon a clear and accurate description of the technical requirements of the goods to be procured.
    - [3] Take positive steps to utilize small and veteran owned businesses.
- d. Unless waived or otherwise stipulated in writing by DHCS, prior written authorization from the appropriate DHCS Program Contract Manager will be required before the Contractor will be reimbursed for any purchase of \$5,000 or more for commodities, supplies, equipment/property, and services related to such purchases. The Contractor must provide in its request for authorization all particulars necessary, as specified by DHCS, for evaluating the necessity or desirability of incurring such costs. The term "purchase" excludes the purchase of services from a subcontractor and public utility services at rates established for uniform applicability to the general public.
- e. In special circumstances, determined by DHCS (e.g., when DHCS has a need to monitor certain purchases, etc.), DHCS may require prior written authorization and/or the submission of paid vendor receipts for any purchase, regardless of dollar amount. DHCS reserves the right to either deny claims for reimbursement or to request repayment for any Contractor and/or subcontractor purchase that DHCS determines to be unnecessary in carrying out performance under this Agreement.
- f. The Contractor and/or subcontractor must maintain a copy or narrative description of the procurement system, guidelines, rules, or regulations that will be used to make purchases under this Agreement. The State reserves the right to request a copy of these documents and to inspect the purchasing practices of the Contractor and/or subcontractor at any time.
- g. For all purchases, the Contractor and/or subcontractor must maintain copies of all paid vendor invoices, documents, bids and other information used in vendor selection, for inspection or audit. Justifications supporting the absence of bidding (i.e., sole source purchases) shall also be maintained on file by the Contractor and/or subcontractor for inspection or audit.
- h. DHCS may, with cause (e.g., with reasonable suspicion of unnecessary purchases or use of inappropriate purchase practices, etc.), withhold, cancel, modify, or retract the delegated purchase authority granted under Paragraphs b and/or c of Provision 3 by giving the Contractor no less than 30 calendar days written notice.

#### 4. Equipment/Property Ownership / Inventory / Disposition

(Applicable to agreements in which equipment/property is furnished by DHCS and/or when said items are purchased or reimbursed by DHCS with state or federal funds provided under the Agreement.)

- a. Wherever the term equipment and/or property is used in Provision 4, the definitions in Paragraph a of Provision 3 shall apply.

Unless otherwise stipulated in this Agreement, all equipment and/or property that is purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under the terms of this Agreement shall be considered state equipment and the property of DHCS.

- (1) **Reporting of Equipment/Property Receipt** - DHCS requires the reporting, tagging and annual inventorying of all equipment and/or property that is furnished by DHCS or purchased/reimbursed with funds provided through this Agreement.

Upon receipt of equipment and/or property, the Contractor shall report the receipt to the DHCS Program Contract Manager. To report the receipt of said items and to receive property tags, Contractor shall use a form or format designated by DHCS' Asset Management Unit. If the appropriate form (i.e., Contractor Equipment Purchased with DHCS Funds) does not accompany this Agreement, Contractor shall request a copy from the DHCS Program Contract Manager.

- (2) **Annual Equipment/Property Inventory** - If the Contractor enters into an agreement with a term of more than twelve months, the Contractor shall submit an annual inventory of state equipment and/or property to the DHCS Program Contract Manager using a form or format designated by DHCS' Asset Management Unit. If an inventory report form (i.e., Inventory/Disposition of DHCS-Funded Equipment) does not accompany this Agreement, Contractor shall request a copy from the DHCS Program Contract Manager. Contractor shall:

- (a) Include in the inventory report, equipment and/or property in the Contractor's possession and/or in the possession of a subcontractor (including independent consultants).
  - (b) Submit the inventory report to DHCS according to the instructions appearing on the inventory form or issued by the DHCS Program Contract Manager.
  - (c) Contact the DHCS Program Contract Manager to learn how to remove, trade-in, sell, transfer or survey off, from the inventory report, expired equipment and/or property that is no longer wanted, usable or has passed its life expectancy. Instructions will be supplied by either the DHCS Program Contract Manager or DHCS' Asset Management Unit.
- b. Title to state equipment and/or property shall not be affected by its incorporation or attachment to any property not owned by the State.
- c. Unless otherwise stipulated, DHCS shall be under no obligation to pay the cost of restoration, or rehabilitation of the Contractor's and/or Subcontractor's facility which may be affected by the removal of any state equipment and/or property.
- d. The Contractor and/or Subcontractor shall maintain and administer a sound business program for ensuring the proper use, maintenance, repair, protection, insurance and preservation of state equipment and/or property.
- (1) In administering this provision, DHCS may require the Contractor and/or Subcontractor to repair or replace, to DHCS' satisfaction, any damaged, lost or stolen state equipment and/or property. In the event of state equipment and/or miscellaneous property theft, Contractor and/or Subcontractor shall immediately file a theft report with the appropriate police agency or the California Highway Patrol and Contractor shall promptly submit one copy of the theft report to the DHCS Program Contract Manager.
- e. Unless otherwise stipulated by the Program funding this Agreement, equipment and/or property purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under the terms of this Agreement, shall only be used for performance of this Agreement or another DHCS agreement.

- f. Within sixty (60) calendar days prior to the termination or end of this Agreement, the Contractor shall provide a final inventory report of equipment and/or property to the DHCS Program Contract Manager and shall, at that time, query DHCS as to the requirements, including the manner and method, of returning state equipment and/or property to DHCS. Final disposition of equipment and/or property shall be at DHCS expense and according to DHCS instructions. Equipment and/or property disposition instructions shall be issued by DHCS immediately after receipt of the final inventory report. At the termination or conclusion of this Agreement, DHCS may at its discretion, authorize the continued use of state equipment and/or property for performance of work under a different DHCS agreement.

g. **Motor Vehicles**

(Applicable only if motor vehicles are purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under this Agreement.)

- (1) If motor vehicles are purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under the terms of this Agreement, within thirty (30) calendar days prior to the termination or end of this Agreement, the Contractor and/or Subcontractor shall return such vehicles to DHCS and shall deliver all necessary documents of title or registration to enable the proper transfer of a marketable title to DHCS.
- (2) If motor vehicles are purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under the terms of this Agreement, the State of California shall be the legal owner of said motor vehicles and the Contractor shall be the registered owner. The Contractor and/or a subcontractor may only use said vehicles for performance and under the terms of this Agreement.
- (3) The Contractor and/or Subcontractor agree that all operators of motor vehicles, purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under the terms of this Agreement, shall hold a valid State of California driver's license. In the event that ten or more passengers are to be transported in any one vehicle, the operator shall also hold a State of California Class B driver's license.
- (4) If any motor vehicle is purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under the terms of this Agreement, the Contractor and/or Subcontractor, as applicable, shall provide, maintain, and certify that, at a minimum, the following type and amount of automobile liability insurance is in effect during the term of this Agreement or any extension period during which any vehicle remains in the Contractor's and/or Subcontractor's possession:

**Automobile Liability Insurance**

- (a) The Contractor, by signing this Agreement, hereby certifies that it possesses or will obtain automobile liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage combined. Said insurance must be obtained and made effective upon the delivery date of any motor vehicle, purchased/reimbursed with agreement funds or furnished by DHCS under the terms of this Agreement, to the Contractor and/or Subcontractor.
- (b) The Contractor and/or Subcontractor shall, as soon as practical, furnish a copy of the certificate of insurance to the DHCS Program Contract Manager. The certificate of insurance shall identify the DHCS contract or agreement number for which the insurance applies.
- (c) The Contractor and/or Subcontractor agree that bodily injury and property damage liability insurance, as required herein, shall remain in effect at all times during the term of this Agreement or until such time as the motor vehicle is returned to DHCS.
- (d) The Contractor and/or Subcontractor agree to provide, at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date of said insurance coverage, a copy of a new certificate of insurance evidencing continued coverage, as indicated herein, for not less than the remainder of the term of this Agreement, the term of any extension or continuation thereof, or for a period of not less than one (1) year.
- (e) The Contractor and/or Subcontractor, if not a self-insured government and/or public entity, must provide evidence, that any required certificates of insurance contain the following provisions:

- [1] The insurer will not cancel the insured's coverage without giving thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice to the State (California Department of Health Care Services).
  - [2] The State of California, its officers, agents, employees, and servants are included as additional insureds, but only with respect to work performed for the State under this Agreement and any extension or continuation of this Agreement.
  - [3] The insurance carrier shall notify the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), in writing, of the Contractor's failure to pay premiums; its cancellation of such policies; or any other substantial change, including, but not limited to, the status, coverage, or scope of the required insurance. Such notices shall contain a reference to each agreement number for which the insurance was obtained.
- (f) The Contractor and/or Subcontractor is hereby advised that copies of certificates of insurance may be subject to review and approval by the Department of General Services (DGS), Office of Risk and Insurance Management. The Contractor shall be notified by DHCS, in writing, if this provision is applicable to this Agreement. If DGS approval of the certificate of insurance is required, the Contractor agrees that no work or services shall be performed prior to obtaining said approval.
- (g) In the event the Contractor and/or Subcontractor fails to keep insurance coverage, as required herein, in effect at all times during vehicle possession, DHCS may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, terminate this Agreement upon the occurrence of such event.

## 5. Subcontract Requirements

(Applicable to agreements under which services are to be performed by subcontractors including independent consultants.)

- a. Prior written authorization will be required before the Contractor enters into or is reimbursed for any subcontract for services costing \$5,000 or more. Except as indicated in Paragraph a(3) herein, when securing subcontracts for services exceeding \$5,000, the Contractor shall obtain at least three bids or justify a sole source award.
- (1) The Contractor must provide in its request for authorization, all information necessary for evaluating the necessity or desirability of incurring such cost.
  - (2) DHCS may identify the information needed to fulfill this requirement.
  - (3) Subcontracts performed by the following entities or for the service types listed below are exempt from the bidding and sole source justification requirements:
    - (a) A local governmental entity or the federal government,
    - (b) A State college or State university from any State,
    - (c) A Joint Powers Authority,
    - (d) An auxiliary organization of a California State University or a California community college,
    - (e) A foundation organized to support the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges,
    - (f) An auxiliary organization of the Student Aid Commission established under Education Code § 69522,
    - (g) Firms or individuals proposed for use and approved by DHCS' funding Program via acceptance of an application or proposal for funding or pre/post contract award negotiations,
    - (h) Entities and/or service types identified as exempt from advertising and competitive bidding in State Contracting Manual Chapter 5 Section 5.80 Subsection B.3. View this publication at the following Internet address: <http://www.dgs.ca.gov/ols/Resources/StateContractManual.aspx>.
- b. DHCS reserves the right to approve or disapprove the selection of subcontractors and with advance written notice, require the substitution of subcontractors and require the Contractor to terminate subcontracts entered into in support of this Agreement.

- (1) Upon receipt of a written notice from DHCS requiring the substitution and/or termination of a subcontract, the Contractor shall take steps to ensure the completion of any work in progress and select a replacement, if applicable, within 30 calendar days, unless a longer period is agreed to by DHCS.
- c. Actual subcontracts (i.e., written agreement between the Contractor and a subcontractor) of \$5,000 or more are subject to the prior review and written approval of DHCS. DHCS may, at its discretion, elect to waive this right. All such waivers shall be confirmed in writing by DHCS.
  - d. Contractor shall maintain a copy of each subcontract entered into in support of this Agreement and shall, upon request by DHCS, make copies available for approval, inspection, or audit.
  - e. DHCS assumes no responsibility for the payment of subcontractors used in the performance of this Agreement. Contractor accepts sole responsibility for the payment of subcontractors used in the performance of this Agreement.
  - f. The Contractor is responsible for all performance requirements under this Agreement even though performance may be carried out through a subcontract.
  - g. The Contractor shall ensure that all subcontracts for services include provision(s) requiring compliance with applicable terms and conditions specified in this Agreement.
  - h. The Contractor agrees to include the following clause, relevant to record retention, in all subcontracts for services:  
  
"(Subcontractor Name) agrees to maintain and preserve, until three years after termination of (Agreement Number) and final payment from DHCS to the Contractor, to permit DHCS or any duly authorized representative, to have access to, examine or audit any pertinent books, documents, papers and records related to this subcontract and to allow interviews of any employees who might reasonably have information related to such records."
  - i. Unless otherwise stipulated in writing by DHCS, the Contractor shall be the subcontractor's sole point of contact for all matters related to performance and payment under this Agreement.
  - j. Contractor shall, as applicable, advise all subcontractors of their obligations pursuant to the following numbered provisions of this Exhibit: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 19, 20, 24, 32 and/or other numbered provisions herein that are deemed applicable.

## 6. Income Restrictions

Unless otherwise stipulated in this Agreement, the Contractor agrees that any refunds, rebates, credits, or other amounts (including any interest thereon) accruing to or received by the Contractor under this Agreement shall be paid by the Contractor to DHCS, to the extent that they are properly allocable to costs for which the Contractor has been reimbursed by DHCS under this Agreement.

## 7. Audit and Record Retention

(Applicable to agreements in excess of \$10,000.)

- a. The Contractor and/or Subcontractor shall maintain books, records, documents, and other evidence, accounting procedures and practices, sufficient to properly reflect all direct and indirect costs of whatever nature claimed to have been incurred in the performance of this Agreement, including any matching costs and expenses. The foregoing constitutes "records" for the purpose of this provision.
- b. The Contractor's and/or subcontractor's facility or office or such part thereof as may be engaged in the performance of this Agreement and his/her records shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection, audit, and reproduction.
- c. Contractor agrees that DHCS, the Department of General Services, the Bureau of State Audits, or their designated representatives including the Comptroller General of the United States shall have the right to review and to copy any records and supporting documentation pertaining to the performance of this

Agreement. Contractor agrees to allow the auditor(s) access to such records during normal business hours and to allow interviews of any employees who might reasonably have information related to such records. Further, the Contractor agrees to include a similar right of the State to audit records and interview staff in any subcontract related to performance of this Agreement. (GC 8546.7, CCR Title 2, Section 1896).

- d. The Contractor and/or Subcontractor shall preserve and make available his/her records (1) for a period of three years from the date of final payment under this Agreement, and (2) for such longer period, if any, as is required by applicable statute, by any other provision of this Agreement, or by subparagraphs (1) or (2) below.
  - (1) If this Agreement is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be preserved and made available for a period of three years from the date of any resulting final settlement.
  - (2) If any litigation, claim, negotiation, audit, or other action involving the records has been started before the expiration of the three-year period, the records shall be retained until completion of the action and resolution of all issues which arise from it, or until the end of the regular three-year period, whichever is later.
- e. The Contractor and/or Subcontractor shall comply with the above requirements and be aware of the penalties for violations of fraud and for obstruction of investigation as set forth in Public Contract Code § 10115.10, if applicable.
- f. The Contractor and/or Subcontractor may, at its discretion, following receipt of final payment under this Agreement, reduce its accounts, books and records related to this Agreement to microfilm, computer disk, CD ROM, DVD, or other data storage medium. Upon request by an authorized representative to inspect, audit or obtain copies of said records, the Contractor and/or Subcontractor must supply or make available applicable devices, hardware, and/or software necessary to view, copy and/or print said records. Applicable devices may include, but are not limited to, microfilm readers and microfilm printers, etc.
- g. The Contractor shall, if applicable, comply with the Single Audit Act and the audit reporting requirements set forth in OMB Circular A-133.

## 8. Site Inspection

The State, through any authorized representatives, has the right at all reasonable times to inspect or otherwise evaluate the work performed or being performed hereunder including subcontract supported activities and the premises in which it is being performed. If any inspection or evaluation is made of the premises of the Contractor or Subcontractor, the Contractor shall provide and shall require Subcontractors to provide all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safety and convenience of the authorized representatives in the performance of their duties. All inspections and evaluations shall be performed in such a manner as will not unduly delay the work.

## 9. Federal Contract Funds

(Applicable only to that portion of an agreement funded in part or whole with federal funds.)

- a. It is mutually understood between the parties that this Agreement may have been written before ascertaining the availability of congressional appropriation of funds, for the mutual benefit of both parties, in order to avoid program and fiscal delays which would occur if the Agreement were executed after that determination was made.
- b. This agreement is valid and enforceable only if sufficient funds are made available to the State by the United States Government for the fiscal years covered by the term of this Agreement. In addition, this Agreement is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, or conditions enacted by the Congress or any statute enacted by the Congress which may affect the provisions, terms or funding of this Agreement in any manner.

- c. It is mutually agreed that if the Congress does not appropriate sufficient funds for the program, this Agreement shall be amended to reflect any reduction in funds.
- d. DHCS has the option to invalidate or cancel the Agreement with 30-days advance written notice or to amend the Agreement to reflect any reduction in funds.

## 10. Intellectual Property Rights

### a. Ownership

- (1) Except where DHCS has agreed in a signed writing to accept a license, DHCS shall be and remain, without additional compensation, the sole owner of any and all rights, title and interest in all Intellectual Property, from the moment of creation, whether or not jointly conceived, that are made, conceived, derived from, or reduced to practice by Contractor or DHCS and which result directly or indirectly from this Agreement.
- (2) For the purposes of this Agreement, Intellectual Property means recognized protectable rights and interest such as: patents, (whether or not issued) copyrights, trademarks, service marks, applications for any of the foregoing, inventions, trade secrets, trade dress, logos, insignia, color combinations, slogans, moral rights, right of publicity, author's rights, contract and licensing rights, works, mask works, industrial design rights, rights of priority, know how, design flows, methodologies, devices, business processes, developments, innovations, good will and all other legal rights protecting intangible proprietary information as may exist now and/or here after come into existence, and all renewals and extensions, regardless of whether those rights arise under the laws of the United States, or any other state, country or jurisdiction.
  - (a) For the purposes of the definition of Intellectual Property, "works" means all literary works, writings and printed matter including the medium by which they are recorded or reproduced, photographs, art work, pictorial and graphic representations and works of a similar nature, film, motion pictures, digital images, animation cells, and other audiovisual works including positives and negatives thereof, sound recordings, tapes, educational materials, interactive videos and any other materials or products created, produced, conceptualized and fixed in a tangible medium of expression. It includes preliminary and final products and any materials and information developed for the purposes of producing those final products. Works does not include articles submitted to peer review or reference journals or independent research projects.
- (3) In the performance of this Agreement, Contractor will exercise and utilize certain of its Intellectual Property in existence prior to the effective date of this Agreement. In addition, under this Agreement, Contractor may access and utilize certain of DHCS' Intellectual Property in existence prior to the effective date of this Agreement. Except as otherwise set forth herein, Contractor shall not use any of DHCS' Intellectual Property now existing or hereafter existing for any purposes without the prior written permission of DHCS. **Except as otherwise set forth herein, neither the Contractor nor DHCS shall give any ownership interest in or rights to its Intellectual Property to the other Party.** If during the term of this Agreement, Contractor accesses any third-party Intellectual Property that is licensed to DHCS, Contractor agrees to abide by all license and confidentiality restrictions applicable to DHCS in the third-party's license agreement.
- (4) Contractor agrees to cooperate with DHCS in establishing or maintaining DHCS' exclusive rights in the Intellectual Property, and in assuring DHCS' sole rights against third parties with respect to the Intellectual Property. If the Contractor enters into any agreements or subcontracts with other parties in order to perform this Agreement, Contractor shall require the terms of the Agreement(s) to include all Intellectual Property provisions. Such terms must include, but are not limited to, the subcontractor assigning and agreeing to assign to DHCS all rights, title and interest in Intellectual Property made, conceived, derived from, or reduced to practice by the subcontractor, Contractor or DHCS and which result directly or indirectly from this Agreement or any subcontract.
- (5) Contractor further agrees to assist and cooperate with DHCS in all reasonable respects, and execute all documents and, subject to reasonable availability, give testimony and take all further acts reasonably necessary to acquire, transfer, maintain, and enforce DHCS' Intellectual Property rights and interests.

**b. Retained Rights / License Rights**

- (1) Except for Intellectual Property made, conceived, derived from, or reduced to practice by Contractor or DHCS and which result directly or indirectly from this Agreement, Contractor shall retain title to all of its Intellectual Property to the extent such Intellectual Property is in existence prior to the effective date of this Agreement. Contractor hereby grants to DHCS, without additional compensation, a permanent, non-exclusive, royalty free, paid-up, worldwide, irrevocable, perpetual, non-terminable license to use, reproduce, manufacture, sell, offer to sell, import, export, modify, publicly and privately display/perform, distribute, and dispose Contractor's Intellectual Property with the right to sublicense through multiple layers, for any purpose whatsoever, to the extent it is incorporated in the Intellectual Property resulting from this Agreement, unless Contractor assigns all rights, title and interest in the Intellectual Property as set forth herein.
- (2) Nothing in this provision shall restrict, limit, or otherwise prevent Contractor from using any ideas, concepts, know-how, methodology or techniques related to its performance under this Agreement, provided that Contractor's use does not infringe the patent, copyright, trademark rights, license or other Intellectual Property rights of DHCS or third party, or result in a breach or default of any provisions of this Exhibit or result in a breach of any provisions of law relating to confidentiality.

**c. Copyright**

- (1) Contractor agrees that for purposes of copyright law, all works [as defined in Paragraph a, subparagraph (2)(a) of this provision] of authorship made by or on behalf of Contractor in connection with Contractor's performance of this Agreement shall be deemed "works made for hire". Contractor further agrees that the work of each person utilized by Contractor in connection with the performance of this Agreement will be a "work made for hire," whether that person is an employee of Contractor or that person has entered into an agreement with Contractor to perform the work. Contractor shall enter into a written agreement with any such person that: (i) all work performed for Contractor shall be deemed a "work made for hire" under the Copyright Act and (ii) that person shall assign all right, title, and interest to DHCS to any work product made, conceived, derived from, or reduced to practice by Contractor or DHCS and which result directly or indirectly from this Agreement.
- (2) All materials, including, but not limited to, visual works or text, reproduced or distributed pursuant to this Agreement that include Intellectual Property made, conceived, derived from, or reduced to practice by Contractor or DHCS and which result directly or indirectly from this Agreement, shall include DHCS' notice of copyright, which shall read in 3mm or larger typeface: "© [Enter Current Year e.g., 2010, etc.], California Department of Health Care Services. This material may not be reproduced or disseminated without prior written permission from the California Department of Health Care Services." This notice should be placed prominently on the materials and set apart from other matter on the page where it appears. Audio productions shall contain a similar audio notice of copyright.

**d. Patent Rights**

With respect to inventions made by Contractor in the performance of this Agreement, which did not result from research and development specifically included in the Agreement's scope of work, Contractor hereby grants to DHCS a license as described under Section b of this provision for devices or material incorporating, or made through the use of such inventions. If such inventions result from research and development work specifically included within the Agreement's scope of work, then Contractor agrees to assign to DHCS, without additional compensation, all its right, title and interest in and to such inventions and to assist DHCS in securing United States and foreign patents with respect thereto.

**e. Third-Party Intellectual Property**

Except as provided herein, Contractor agrees that its performance of this Agreement shall not be dependent upon or include any Intellectual Property of Contractor or third party without first: (i) obtaining DHCS' prior written approval; and (ii) granting to or obtaining for DHCS, without additional compensation, a license, as described in Section b of this provision, for any of Contractor's or third-party's Intellectual Property in existence prior to the effective date of this Agreement. If such a license upon the these terms is unattainable, and DHCS determines that the Intellectual Property should be included in or is required

for Contractor's performance of this Agreement, Contractor shall obtain a license under terms acceptable to DHCS.

**f. Warranties**

(1) Contractor represents and warrants that:

- (a) It is free to enter into and fully perform this Agreement.
- (b) It has secured and will secure all rights and licenses necessary for its performance of this Agreement.
- (c) Neither Contractor's performance of this Agreement, nor the exercise by either Party of the rights granted in this Agreement, nor any use, reproduction, manufacture, sale, offer to sell, import, export, modification, public and private display/performance, distribution, and disposition of the Intellectual Property made, conceived, derived from, or reduced to practice by Contractor or DHCS and which result directly or indirectly from this Agreement will infringe upon or violate any Intellectual Property right, non-disclosure obligation, or other proprietary right or interest of any third-party or entity now existing under the laws of, or hereafter existing or issued by, any state, the United States, or any foreign country. There is currently no actual or threatened claim by any such third party based on an alleged violation of any such right by Contractor.
- (d) Neither Contractor's performance nor any part of its performance will violate the right of privacy of, or constitute a libel or slander against any person or entity.
- (e) It has secured and will secure all rights and licenses necessary for Intellectual Property including, but not limited to, consents, waivers or releases from all authors of music or performances used, and talent (radio, television and motion picture talent), owners of any interest in and to real estate, sites, locations, property or props that may be used or shown.
- (f) It has not granted and shall not grant to any person or entity any right that would or might derogate, encumber, or interfere with any of the rights granted to DHCS in this Agreement.
- (g) It has appropriate systems and controls in place to ensure that state funds will not be used in the performance of this Agreement for the acquisition, operation or maintenance of computer software in violation of copyright laws.
- (h) It has no knowledge of any outstanding claims, licenses or other charges, liens, or encumbrances of any kind or nature whatsoever that could affect in any way Contractor's performance of this Agreement.

(2) DHCS MAKES NO WARRANTY THAT THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RESULTING FROM THIS AGREEMENT DOES NOT INFRINGE UPON ANY PATENT, TRADEMARK, COPYRIGHT OR THE LIKE, NOW EXISTING OR SUBSEQUENTLY ISSUED.

**g. Intellectual Property Indemnity**

- (1) Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless DHCS and its licensees and assignees, and its officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives, successors, and users of its products, ("Indemnitees") from and against all claims, actions, damages, losses, liabilities (or actions or proceedings with respect to any thereof), whether or not rightful, arising from any and all actions or claims by any third party or expenses related thereto (including, but not limited to, all legal expenses, court costs, and attorney's fees incurred in investigating, preparing, serving as a witness in, or defending against, any such claim, action, or proceeding, commenced or threatened) to which any of the Indemnitees may be subject, whether or not Contractor is a party to any pending or threatened litigation, which arise out of or are related to (i) the incorrectness or breach of any of the representations, warranties, covenants or agreements of Contractor pertaining to Intellectual Property; or (ii) any Intellectual Property infringement, or any other type of actual or alleged infringement claim, arising out of DHCS' use, reproduction, manufacture, sale, offer to sell, distribution, import, export, modification, public and private performance/display, license, and disposition of the Intellectual Property made, conceived, derived from, or reduced to practice by

Contractor or DHCS and which result directly or indirectly from this Agreement. This indemnity obligation shall apply irrespective of whether the infringement claim is based on a patent, trademark or copyright registration that issued after the effective date of this Agreement. DHCS reserves the right to participate in and/or control, at Contractor's expense, any such infringement action brought against DHCS.

- (2) Should any Intellectual Property licensed by the Contractor to DHCS under this Agreement become the subject of an Intellectual Property infringement claim, Contractor will exercise its authority reasonably and in good faith to preserve DHCS' right to use the licensed Intellectual Property in accordance with this Agreement at no expense to DHCS. DHCS shall have the right to monitor and appear through its own counsel (at Contractor's expense) in any such claim or action. In the defense or settlement of the claim, Contractor may obtain the right for DHCS to continue using the licensed Intellectual Property; or, replace or modify the licensed Intellectual Property so that the replaced or modified Intellectual Property becomes non-infringing provided that such replacement or modification is functionally equivalent to the original licensed Intellectual Property. If such remedies are not reasonably available, DHCS shall be entitled to a refund of all monies paid under this Agreement, without restriction or limitation of any other rights and remedies available at law or in equity.
- (3) Contractor agrees that damages alone would be inadequate to compensate DHCS for breach of any term of this Intellectual Property Exhibit by Contractor. Contractor acknowledges DHCS would suffer irreparable harm in the event of such breach and agrees DHCS shall be entitled to obtain equitable relief, including without limitation an injunction, from a court of competent jurisdiction, without restriction or limitation of any other rights and remedies available at law or in equity.

#### **h. Federal Funding**

In any agreement funded in whole or in part by the federal government, DHCS may acquire and maintain the Intellectual Property rights, title, and ownership, which results directly or indirectly from the Agreement; except as provided in 37 Code of Federal Regulations part 401.14; however, the federal government shall have a non-exclusive, nontransferable, irrevocable, paid-up license throughout the world to use, duplicate, or dispose of such Intellectual Property throughout the world in any manner for governmental purposes and to have and permit others to do so.

#### **i. Survival**

The provisions set forth herein shall survive any termination or expiration of this Agreement or any project schedule.

### **11. Air or Water Pollution Requirements**

Any federally funded agreement and/or subcontract in excess of \$100,000 must comply with the following provisions unless said agreement is exempt under 40 CFR 15.5.

- a. Government contractors agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act [42 U.S.C. 1857(h)], section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15).
- b. Institutions of higher education, hospitals, nonprofit organizations and commercial businesses agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.), as amended, and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), as amended.

### **12. Prior Approval of Training Seminars, Workshops or Conferences**

Contractor shall obtain prior DHCS approval of the location, costs, dates, agenda, instructors, instructional materials, and attendees at any reimbursable training seminar, workshop, or conference conducted pursuant to this Agreement and of any reimbursable publicity or educational materials to be made available for distribution. The Contractor shall acknowledge the support of the State whenever publicizing the work under this Agreement in any media. This provision does not apply to necessary staff meetings or training sessions held for the staff of the Contractor or Subcontractor to conduct routine business matters.

**13. Confidentiality of Information**

- a. The Contractor and its employees, agents, or subcontractors shall protect from unauthorized disclosure names and other identifying information concerning persons either receiving services pursuant to this Agreement or persons whose names or identifying information become available or are disclosed to the Contractor, its employees, agents, or subcontractors as a result of services performed under this Agreement, except for statistical information not identifying any such person.
- b. The Contractor and its employees, agents, or subcontractors shall not use such identifying information for any purpose other than carrying out the Contractor's obligations under this Agreement.
- c. The Contractor and its employees, agents, or subcontractors shall promptly transmit to the DHCS Program Contract Manager all requests for disclosure of such identifying information not emanating from the client or person.
- d. The Contractor shall not disclose, except as otherwise specifically permitted by this Agreement or authorized by the client, any such identifying information to anyone other than DHCS without prior written authorization from the DHCS Program Contract Manager, except if disclosure is required by State or Federal law.
- e. For purposes of this provision, identity shall include, but not be limited to name, identifying number, symbol, or other identifying particular assigned to the individual, such as finger or voice print or a photograph.
- f. As deemed applicable by DHCS, this provision may be supplemented by additional terms and conditions covering personal health information (PHI) or personal, sensitive, and/or confidential information (PSCI). Said terms and conditions will be outlined in one or more exhibits that will either be attached to this Agreement or incorporated into this Agreement by reference.

**14. Documents, Publications and Written Reports**

(Applicable to agreements over \$5,000 under which publications, written reports and documents are developed or produced. Government Code Section 7550.)

Any document, publication or written report (excluding progress reports, financial reports and normal contractual communications) prepared as a requirement of this Agreement shall contain, in a separate section preceding the main body of the document, the number and dollar amounts of all contracts or agreements and subcontracts relating to the preparation of such document or report, if the total cost for work by nonemployees of the State exceeds \$5,000.

**15. Dispute Resolution Process**

- a. A Contractor grievance exists whenever there is a dispute arising from DHCS' action in the administration of an agreement. If there is a dispute or grievance between the Contractor and DHCS, the Contractor must seek resolution using the procedure outlined below.
  - (1) The Contractor should first informally discuss the problem with the DHCS Program Contract Manager. If the problem cannot be resolved informally, the Contractor shall direct its grievance together with any evidence, in writing, to the program Branch Chief. The grievance shall state the issues in dispute, the legal authority or other basis for the Contractor's position and the remedy sought. The Branch Chief shall render a decision within ten (10) working days after receipt of the written grievance from the Contractor. The Branch Chief shall respond in writing to the Contractor indicating the decision and reasons therefore. If the Contractor disagrees with the Branch Chief's decision, the Contractor may appeal to the second level.
  - (2) When appealing to the second level, the Contractor must prepare an appeal indicating the reasons for disagreement with Branch Chief's decision. The Contractor shall include with the appeal a copy of the Contractor's original statement of dispute along with any supporting evidence and a copy of the Branch Chief's decision. The appeal shall be addressed to the Deputy Director of the division in which the branch is organized within ten (10) working days from receipt of the Branch Chief's

decision. The Deputy Director of the division in which the branch is organized or his/her designee shall meet with the Contractor to review the issues raised. A written decision signed by the Deputy Director of the division in which the branch is organized or his/her designee shall be directed to the Contractor within twenty (20) working days of receipt of the Contractor's second level appeal.

- b. If the Contractor wishes to appeal the decision of the Deputy Director of the division in which the branch is organized or his/her designee, the Contractor shall follow the procedures set forth in Health and Safety Code Section 100171.
- c. Unless otherwise stipulated in writing by DHCS, all dispute, grievance and/or appeal correspondence shall be directed to the DHCS Program Contract Manager.
- d. There are organizational differences within DHCS' funding programs and the management levels identified in this dispute resolution provision may not apply in every contractual situation. When a grievance is received and organizational differences exist, the Contractor shall be notified in writing by the DHCS Program Contract Manager of the level, name, and/or title of the appropriate management official that is responsible for issuing a decision at a given level.

#### 16. Financial and Compliance Audit Requirements

- a. The definitions used in this provision are contained in Section 38040 of the Health and Safety Code, which by this reference is made a part hereof.
- b. Direct service contract means a contract or agreement for services contained in local assistance or subvention programs or both (see Health and Safety [H&S] Code Section 38020). Direct service contracts shall not include contracts, agreements, grants, or subventions to other governmental agencies or units of government nor contracts or agreements with regional centers or area agencies on aging (H&S Code Section 38030).
- c. The Contractor, as indicated below, agrees to obtain one of the following audits:
  - (1) ***If the Contractor is a nonprofit organization (as defined in H&S Code Section 38040) and receives \$25,000 or more from any State agency under a direct service contract or agreement;*** the Contractor agrees to obtain an annual single, organization wide, financial and compliance audit. Said audit shall be conducted according to Generally Accepted Auditing Standards. This audit does not fulfill the audit requirements of Paragraph c(3) below. The audit shall be completed by the 15th day of the fifth month following the end of the Contractor's fiscal year, **and/or**
  - (2) ***If the Contractor is a nonprofit organization (as defined in H&S Code Section 38040) and receives less than \$25,000 per year from any State agency under a direct service contract or agreement;*** the Contractor agrees to obtain a biennial single, organization wide financial and compliance audit, unless there is evidence of fraud or other violation of state law in connection with this Agreement. This audit does not fulfill the audit requirements of Paragraph c(3) below. The audit shall be completed by the 15th day of the fifth month following the end of the Contractor's fiscal year, **and/or**
  - (3) ***If the Contractor is a State or Local Government entity or Nonprofit organization (as defined by the Federal Office of Management and Budget [OMB] Circular A-133) and expends \$500,000 or more in Federal awards,*** the Contractor agrees to obtain an annual single, organization wide, financial and compliance audit according to the requirements specified in OMB Circular A-133 entitled "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations". An audit conducted pursuant to this provision will fulfill the audit requirements outlined in Paragraphs c(1) and c(2) above. The audit shall be completed by the end of the ninth month following the end of the audit period. The requirements of this provision apply if:
    - (a) The Contractor is a recipient expending Federal awards received directly from Federal awarding agencies, or
    - (b) The Contractor is a subrecipient expending Federal awards received from a pass-through entity such as the State, County or community based organization.

- (4) If the Contractor submits to DHCS a report of an audit other than an OMB A-133 audit, the Contractor must also submit a certification indicating the Contractor has not expended \$500,000 or more in federal funds for the year covered by the audit report.
- d. Two copies of the audit report shall be delivered to the DHCS program funding this Agreement. The audit report must identify the Contractor's legal name and the number assigned to this Agreement. The audit report shall be due within 30 days after the completion of the audit. Upon receipt of said audit report, the DHCS Program Contract Manager shall forward the audit report to DHCS' Audits and Investigations Unit if the audit report was submitted under Section 16.c(3), unless the audit report is from a City, County, or Special District within the State of California whereby the report will be retained by the funding program.
  - e. The cost of the audits described herein may be included in the funding for this Agreement up to the proportionate amount this Agreement represents of the Contractor's total revenue. The DHCS program funding this Agreement must provide advance written approval of the specific amount allowed for said audit expenses.
  - f. The State or its authorized designee, including the Bureau of State Audits, is responsible for conducting agreement performance audits which are not financial and compliance audits. Performance audits are defined by Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards.
  - g. Nothing in this Agreement limits the State's responsibility or authority to enforce State law or regulations, procedures, or reporting requirements arising thereto.
  - h. Nothing in this provision limits the authority of the State to make audits of this Agreement, provided however, that if independent audits arranged for by the Contractor meet Generally Accepted Governmental Auditing Standards, the State shall rely on those audits and any additional audit work and shall build upon the work already done.
  - i. The State may, at its option, direct its own auditors to perform either of the audits described above. The Contractor will be given advance written notification, if the State chooses to exercise its option to perform said audits.
  - j. The Contractor shall include a clause in any agreement the Contractor enters into with the audit firm doing the single organization wide audit to provide access by the State or Federal Government to the working papers of the independent auditor who prepares the single organization wide audit for the Contractor.
  - k. Federal or state auditors shall have "expanded scope auditing" authority to conduct specific program audits during the same period in which a single organization wide audit is being performed, but the audit report has not been issued. The federal or state auditors shall review and have access to the current audit work being conducted and will not apply any testing or review procedures which have not been satisfied by previous audit work that has been completed.

The term "expanded scope auditing" is applied and defined in the U.S. General Accounting Office (GAO) issued Standards for *Audit of Government Organizations, Programs, Activities and Functions*, better known as the "yellow book".

## 17. Human Subjects Use Requirements

(Applicable only to federally funded agreements/grants in which performance, directly or through a subcontract/subaward, includes any tests or examination of materials derived from the human body.)

By signing this Agreement, Contractor agrees that if any performance under this Agreement or any subcontract or subagreement includes any tests or examination of materials derived from the human body for the purpose of providing information, diagnosis, prevention, treatment or assessment of disease, impairment, or health of a human being, all locations at which such examinations are performed shall meet the requirements of 42 U.S.C. Section 263a (CLIA) and the regulations thereunder.

**18. Novation Requirements**

If the Contractor proposes any novation agreement, DHCS shall act upon the proposal within 60 days after receipt of the written proposal. DHCS may review and consider the proposal, consult and negotiate with the Contractor, and accept or reject all or part of the proposal. Acceptance or rejection of the proposal may be made orally within the 60-day period and confirmed in writing within five days of said decision. Upon written acceptance of the proposal, DHCS will initiate an amendment to this Agreement to formally implement the approved proposal.

**19. Debarment and Suspension Certification**

(Applicable to all agreements funded in part or whole with federal funds.)

- a. By signing this Agreement, the Contractor/Grantee agrees to comply with applicable federal suspension and debarment regulations including, but not limited to 7 CFR Part 3017, 45 CFR 76, 40 CFR 32 or 34 CFR 85.
- b. By signing this Agreement, the Contractor certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
  - (1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any federal department or agency;
  - (2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal/agreement been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
  - (3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in Paragraph b(2) herein; and
  - (4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal/agreement had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.
  - (5) Shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under federal regulations (i.e., 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4), debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in such transaction, unless authorized by the State.
  - (6) Will include a clause entitled, "Debarment and Suspension Certification" that essentially sets forth the provisions herein, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- c. If the Contractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, the Contractor shall submit an explanation to the DHCS Program Contract Manager.
- d. The terms and definitions herein have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Federal Executive Order 12549.
- e. If the Contractor knowingly violates this certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the DHCS may terminate this Agreement for cause or default.

**20. Smoke-Free Workplace Certification**

(Applicable to federally funded agreements/grants and subcontracts/subawards, that provide health, day care, early childhood development services, education or library services to children under 18 directly or through local governments.)

- a. Public Law 103-227, also known as the Pro-Children Act of 1994 (Act), requires that smoking not be permitted in any portion of any indoor facility owned or leased or contracted for by an entity and used routinely or regularly for the provision of health, day care, early childhood development services, education or library services to children under the age of 18, if the services are funded by federal programs either directly or through state or local governments, by federal grant, contract, loan, or loan guarantee. The law also applies to children's services that are provided in indoor facilities that are constructed, operated, or maintained with such federal funds. The law does not apply to children's services provided in private residences; portions of facilities used for inpatient drug or alcohol treatment; service providers whose sole source of applicable federal funds is Medicare or Medicaid; or facilities where WIC coupons are redeemed.
- b. Failure to comply with the provisions of the law may result in the imposition of a civil monetary penalty of up to \$1,000 for each violation and/or the imposition of an administrative compliance order on the responsible party.
- c. By signing this Agreement, Contractor or Grantee certifies that it will comply with the requirements of the Act and will not allow smoking within any portion of any indoor facility used for the provision of services for children as defined by the Act. The prohibitions herein are effective December 26, 1994.
- d. Contractor or Grantee further agrees that it will insert this certification into any subawards (subcontracts or subgrants) entered into that provide for children's services as described in the Act.

**21. Covenant Against Contingent Fees**

(Applicable only to federally funded agreements.)

The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit/secure this Agreement upon an agreement of understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, except *bona fide* employees or *bona fide* established commercial or selling agencies retained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, DHCS shall have the right to annul this Agreement without liability or in its discretion to deduct from the Agreement price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, and brokerage or contingent fee.

**22. Payment Withholds**

(Applicable only if a final report is required by this Agreement. Not applicable to government entities.)

Unless waived or otherwise stipulated in this Agreement, DHCS may, at its discretion, withhold 10 percent (10%) of the face amount of the Agreement, 50 percent (50%) of the final invoice, or \$3,000 whichever is greater, until DHCS receives a final report that meets the terms, conditions and/or scope of work requirements of this Agreement.

**23. Performance Evaluation**

(Not applicable to grant agreements.)

DHCS may, at its discretion, evaluate the performance of the Contractor at the conclusion of this Agreement. If performance is evaluated, the evaluation shall not be a public record and shall remain on file with DHCS. Negative performance evaluations may be considered by DHCS prior to making future contract awards.

**24. Officials Not to Benefit**

No members of or delegate of Congress or the State Legislature shall be admitted to any share or part of this Agreement, or to any benefit that may arise therefrom. This provision shall not be construed to extend to this Agreement if made with a corporation for its general benefits.

**25. Four-Digit Date Compliance**

(Applicable to agreements in which Information Technology (IT) services are provided to DHCS or if IT equipment is procured.)

Contractor warrants that it will provide only Four-Digit Date Compliant (as defined below) Deliverables and/or services to the State. "Four Digit Date compliant" Deliverables and services can accurately process, calculate, compare, and sequence date data, including without limitation date data arising out of or relating to leap years and changes in centuries. This warranty and representation is subject to the warranty terms and conditions of this Contract and does not limit the generality of warranty obligations set forth elsewhere herein.

**26. Prohibited Use of State Funds for Software**

(Applicable to agreements in which computer software is used in performance of the work.)

Contractor certifies that it has appropriate systems and controls in place to ensure that state funds will not be used in the performance of this Agreement for the acquisition, operation or maintenance of computer software in violation of copyright laws.

**27. Use of Small, Minority Owned and Women's Businesses**

(Applicable to that portion of an agreement that is federally funded and entered into with institutions of higher education, hospitals, nonprofit organizations or commercial businesses.)

Positive efforts shall be made to use small businesses, minority-owned firms and women's business enterprises, whenever possible (i.e., procurement of goods and/or services). Contractors shall take all of the following steps to further this goal.

- (1) Ensure that small businesses, minority-owned firms, and women's business enterprises are used to the fullest extent practicable.
- (2) Make information on forthcoming purchasing and contracting opportunities available and arrange time frames for purchases and contracts to encourage and facilitate participation by small businesses, minority-owned firms, and women's business enterprises.
- (3) Consider in the contract process whether firms competing for larger contracts intend to subcontract with small businesses, minority-owned firms, and women's business enterprises.
- (4) Encourage contracting with consortiums of small businesses, minority-owned firms and women's business enterprises when a contract is too large for one of these firms to handle individually.
- (5) Use the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Federal Small Business Administration and the U.S. Department of Commerce's Minority Business Development Agency in the solicitation and utilization of small businesses, minority-owned firms and women's business enterprises.

**28. Alien Ineligibility Certification**

(Applicable to sole proprietors entering federally funded agreements.)

By signing this Agreement, the Contractor certifies that he/she is not an alien that is ineligible for state and local benefits, as defined in Subtitle B of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Act. (8 U.S.C. 1601, et seq.)

**29. Union Organizing**

(Applicable only to grant agreements.)

Grantee, by signing this Agreement, hereby acknowledges the applicability of Government Code Sections 16645 through 16649 to this Agreement. Furthermore, Grantee, by signing this Agreement, hereby certifies that:

- a. No state funds disbursed by this grant will be used to assist, promote or deter union organizing.
- b. Grantee shall account for state funds disbursed for a specific expenditure by this grant, to show those funds were allocated to that expenditure.
- c. Grantee shall, where state funds are not designated as described in b herein, allocate, on a pro-rata basis, all disbursements that support the grant program.
- d. If Grantee makes expenditures to assist, promote or deter union organizing, Grantee will maintain records sufficient to show that no state funds were used for those expenditures, and that Grantee shall provide those records to the Attorney General upon request.

**30. Contract Uniformity (Fringe Benefit Allowability)**

(Applicable only to nonprofit organizations.)

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 7 (commencing with Section 100525) of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 101 of the Health and Safety Code, DHCS sets forth the following policies, procedures, and guidelines regarding the reimbursement of fringe benefits.

- a. As used herein fringe benefits shall mean an employment benefit given by one's employer to an employee in addition to one's regular or normal wages or salary.
- b. As used herein, fringe benefits do not include:
  - (1) Compensation for personal services paid currently or accrued by the Contractor for services of employees rendered during the term of this Agreement, which is identified as regular or normal salaries and wages, annual leave, vacation, sick leave, holidays, jury duty and/or military leave/training.
  - (2) Director's and executive committee member's fees.
  - (3) Incentive awards and/or bonus incentive pay.
  - (4) Allowances for off-site pay.
  - (5) Location allowances.
  - (6) Hardship pay.
  - (7) Cost-of-living differentials
- c. Specific allowable fringe benefits include:
  - (1) Fringe benefits in the form of employer contributions for the employer's portion of payroll taxes (i.e., FICA, SUI, SDI), employee health plans (i.e., health, dental and vision), unemployment insurance, worker's compensation insurance, and the employer's share of pension/retirement plans, provided they are granted in accordance with established written organization policies and meet all legal and Internal Revenue Service requirements.
- d. To be an allowable fringe benefit, the cost must meet the following criteria:
  - (1) Be necessary and reasonable for the performance of the Agreement.
  - (2) Be determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
  - (3) Be consistent with policies that apply uniformly to all activities of the Contractor.
- e. Contractor agrees that all fringe benefits shall be at actual cost.

## f. Earned/Accrued Compensation

- (1) Compensation for vacation, sick leave and holidays is limited to that amount earned/accrued within the agreement term. Unused vacation, sick leave and holidays earned from periods prior to the agreement term cannot be claimed as allowable costs. See Provision f (3)(a) for an example.
- (2) For multiple year agreements, vacation and sick leave compensation, which is earned/accrued but not paid, due to employee(s) not taking time off may be carried over and claimed within the overall term of the multiple years of the Agreement. Holidays cannot be carried over from one agreement year to the next. See Provision f (3)(b) for an example.
- (3) For single year agreements, vacation, sick leave and holiday compensation that is earned/accrued but not paid, due to employee(s) not taking time off within the term of the Agreement, cannot be claimed as an allowable cost. See Provision f (3)(c) for an example.

## (a) Example No. 1:

If an employee, John Doe, earns/accrues three weeks of vacation and twelve days of sick leave each year, then that is the maximum amount that may be claimed during a one year agreement. If John Doe has five weeks of vacation and eighteen days of sick leave at the beginning of an agreement, the Contractor during a one-year budget period may only claim up to three weeks of vacation and twelve days of sick leave as actually used by the employee. Amounts earned/accrued in periods prior to the beginning of the Agreement are not an allowable cost.

## (b) Example No. 2:

If during a three-year (multiple year) agreement, John Doe does not use his three weeks of vacation in year one, or his three weeks in year two, but he does actually use nine weeks in year three; the Contractor would be allowed to claim all nine weeks paid for in year three. The total compensation over the three-year period cannot exceed 156 weeks (3 x 52 weeks).

## (c) Example No. 3:

If during a single year agreement, John Doe works fifty weeks and used one week of vacation and one week of sick leave and all fifty-two weeks have been billed to DHCS, the remaining unused two weeks of vacation and seven days of sick leave may not be claimed as an allowable cost.

## 31. Suspension or Stop Work Notification

- a. DHCS may, at any time, issue a notice to suspend performance or stop work under this Agreement. The initial notification may be a verbal or written directive issued by the funding Program's Contract Manager. Upon receipt of said notice, the Contractor is to suspend and/or stop all, or any part, of the work called for by this Agreement.
- b. Written confirmation of the suspension or stop work notification with directions as to what work (if not all) is to be suspended and how to proceed will be provided within 30 working days of the verbal notification. The suspension or stop work notification shall remain in effect until further written notice is received from DHCS. The resumption of work (in whole or part) will be at DHCS' discretion and upon receipt of written confirmation.
  - (1) Upon receipt of a suspension or stop work notification, the Contractor shall immediately comply with its terms and take all reasonable steps to minimize or halt the incurrence of costs allocable to the performance covered by the notification during the period of work suspension or stoppage.
  - (2) Within 90 days of the issuance of a suspension or stop work notification, DHCS shall either:
    - (a) Cancel, extend, or modify the suspension or stop work notification; or
    - (b) Terminate the Agreement as provided for in the Cancellation / Termination clause of the Agreement.

- c. If a suspension or stop work notification issued under this clause is canceled or the period of suspension or any extension thereof is modified or expires, the Contractor may resume work only upon written concurrence of funding Program's Contract Manager.
- d. If the suspension or stop work notification is cancelled and the Agreement resumes, changes to the services, deliverables, performance dates, and/or contract terms resulting from the suspension or stop work notification shall require an amendment to the Agreement.
- e. If a suspension or stop work notification is not canceled and the Agreement is cancelled or terminated pursuant to the provision entitled Cancellation / Termination, DHCS shall allow reasonable costs resulting from the suspension or stop work notification in arriving at the settlement costs.
- f. DHCS shall not be liable to the Contractor for loss of profits because of any suspension or stop work notification issued under this clause.

### 32. Lobbying Restrictions and Disclosure Certification

(Applicable to federally funded agreements in excess of \$100,000 per Section 1352 of the 31, U.S.C.)

#### a. Certification and Disclosure Requirements

- (1) Each person (or recipient) who requests or receives a contract or agreement, subcontract, grant, or subgrant, which is subject to Section 1352 of the 31, U.S.C., and which exceeds \$100,000 at any tier, shall file a certification (in the form set forth in Attachment 1, consisting of one page, entitled "Certification Regarding Lobbying") that the recipient has not made, and will not make, any payment prohibited by Paragraph b of this provision.
- (2) Each recipient shall file a disclosure (in the form set forth in Attachment 2, entitled "Standard Form-LLL 'disclosure of Lobbying Activities'") if such recipient has made or has agreed to make any payment using nonappropriated funds (to include profits from any covered federal action) in connection with a contract, or grant or any extension or amendment of that contract, or grant, which would be prohibited under Paragraph b of this provision if paid for with appropriated funds.
- (3) Each recipient shall file a disclosure form at the end of each calendar quarter in which there occurs any event that requires disclosure or that materially affect the accuracy of the information contained in any disclosure form previously filed by such person under Paragraph a(2) herein. An event that materially affects the accuracy of the information reported includes:
  - (a) A cumulative increase of \$25,000 or more in the amount paid or expected to be paid for influencing or attempting to influence a covered federal action;
  - (b) A change in the person(s) or individuals(s) influencing or attempting to influence a covered federal action; or
  - (c) A change in the officer(s), employee(s), or member(s) contacted for the purpose of influencing or attempting to influence a covered federal action.
- (4) Each person (or recipient) who requests or receives from a person referred to in Paragraph a(1) of this provision a contract or agreement, subcontract, grant or subgrant exceeding \$100,000 at any tier under a contract or agreement, or grant shall file a certification, and a disclosure form, if required, to the next tier above.
- (5) All disclosure forms (but not certifications) shall be forwarded from tier to tier until received by the person referred to in Paragraph a(1) of this provision. That person shall forward all disclosure forms to DHCS Program Contract Manager.

#### b. Prohibition

Section 1352 of Title 31, U.S.C., provides in part that no appropriated funds may be expended by the recipient of a federal contract or agreement, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement to pay any person for

influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any of the following covered federal actions: the awarding of any federal contract or agreement, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract or agreement, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.



**Attachment 1**  
**State of California**  
**Department of Health Care Services**

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING**

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making, awarding or entering into of this Federal contract, Federal grant, or cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of this Federal contract, grant, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency of the United States Government, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities" in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontractors, subgrants, and contracts under grants and cooperative agreements) of \$100,000 or more, and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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

County of El Dorado

Name of Contractor

Norma Santiago

Printed Name of Person Signing for Contractor

14-90055

Contract / Grant Number

  
Signature of Person Signing for Contractor

Date

12-2-14

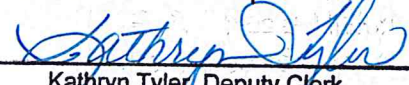
Chair, County of El Dorado, Board of Supervisors

Title

After execution by or on behalf of Contractor, please return to:

California Department of Health Care Services

**ATTEST: James S. Mitrison**  
**Clerk of the Board of Supervisors**

By   
Kathryn Tyler, Deputy Clerk

DHCS reserves the right to notify the contractor in writing of an alternate submission address.



## Attachment 2

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING**

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352  
(See reverse for public burden disclosure)

Approved by OMB

0348-0046

<b>1. Type of Federal Action:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> a. contract <input type="checkbox"/> b. grant <input type="checkbox"/> c. cooperative agreement <input type="checkbox"/> d. loan <input type="checkbox"/> e. loan guarantee <input type="checkbox"/> f. loan insurance	<b>2. Status of Federal Action:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> a. bid/offer/application <input type="checkbox"/> b. initial award <input type="checkbox"/> c. post-award	<b>3. Report Type:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> a. initial filing <input type="checkbox"/> b. material change For Material Change Only: Year _____ quarter _____ date of last report _____.
<b>4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity:</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Prime <input type="checkbox"/> Subawardee Tier ____, if known:  Congressional District, If known:	<b>5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime:</b>  Congressional District, If known:	
<b>6. Federal Department/Agency</b>	<b>7. Federal Program Name/Description:</b>  CDFA Number, if applicable: _____	
<b>8. Federal Action Number, if known:</b>	<b>9. Award Amount, if known:</b>  \$	
<b>10.a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant</b> <i>(If individual, last name, first name, MI):</i>	<b>b. Individuals Performing Services</b> <i>(including address if different from 10a. (Last name, First name, MI):</i>	
<b>11. Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be available for public inspection. Any person that fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.</b>	<b>Signature:</b> _____	
	<b>Print Name:</b> _____	
	<b>Title:</b> _____	
	<b>Telephone No.:</b> _____	<b>Date:</b> _____
<b>Federal Use Only</b>		Authorized for Local Reproduction Standard Form-LLL (Rev. 7-97)

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES**

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a followup report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitation for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001".
9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.  
(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10 (a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act, as amended, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB Control Number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB No. 0348-0046. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, DC 20503.

**Exhibit E**  
**Additional Provisions**

**1. Amendment Process**

- A. Both the Contractor and the State may agree to amend or renegotiate the Contract.
- B. Should either party, during the term of this Agreement, desire a change or amendment to the terms of this Agreement, such changes or amendments shall be proposed in writing to the other party, who will respond in writing as to whether the proposed changes/amendments are accepted or rejected. If accepted and after negotiations are concluded, the agreed upon changes shall be made through the State's official agreement amendment process. No amendment will be considered binding on either party until it is formally approved by the both parties and the Department of General Services (DGS), if DGS approval is required.
- C. Contract amendments will be required to change encumbered amounts for each year of a multi-year contract period, of which the first amendment will be based on the Governor's Budget Act allocation of that specific fiscal year. The signed contract from the Contractor will be due to the Department of Health Care Services within 90 days from the issuance to the County. If the signed Contract from the Contractor is not received within 90 days from the issuance to the County, DHCS may withhold all non-DMC payments under Exhibit B of this Contract until the required amendment is received by the State.
- D. Contract amendments may be requested by the Contractor until May 1 of each of the contract's fiscal years. An amendment proposed by either the Contractor or the State shall be forwarded in writing to the other party.
  - 1) The proposed amendment submitted by Contractor shall include the proposed changes, and a statement of the reason and basis for the proposed change.
  - 2) Amendments shall be duly approved by the County Board of Supervisors or its authorized designee, and signed by a duly authorized representative.
- E. Contractor acknowledges that any newly allocated funds that are in excess of the initial amount for each fiscal year may be forfeited if DHCS does not receive a fully executable contract amendment on or before June 30, 2015.
- F. State may settle costs for substance use disorder services based on the year-end cost settlement report as the final amendment to the approved single State/County contract.

**2. Cancellation / Termination**

- A. This Agreement may be cancelled by DHCS without cause upon 30 calendar days advance written notice to the Contractor.

- B. DHCS reserves the right to cancel or terminate this Agreement immediately for cause. The Contractor may submit a written request to terminate this Agreement only if DHCS substantially fails to perform its responsibilities as provided herein.
  - C. The term "for cause" shall mean that the Contractor fails to meet the terms, conditions, and/or responsibilities of this Agreement.
  - D. Agreement termination or cancellation shall be effective as of the date indicated in DHCS' notification to the Contractor. The notice shall stipulate any final performance, invoicing or payment requirements.
  - E. Upon receipt of a notice of termination or cancellation, the Contractor shall take immediate steps to stop performance and to cancel or reduce subsequent agreement costs.
  - F. In the event of early termination or cancellation, the Contractor shall be entitled to payment for all allowable costs authorized under this Agreement and incurred up to the date of termination or cancellation, including authorized non-cancelable obligations, provided such expenses do not exceed the stated maximum amounts payable.
  - G. In the event of changes in law that affect provisions of this Contract, the parties agree to amend the affected provisions to conform to the changes in law retroactive to the effective date of such changes in law. The parties further agree that the terms of this Contract are severable and in the event that changes in law render provisions of the Contract void, the unaffected provisions and obligations of this Contract will remain in full force and effect.
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- H. The following additional provisions regarding termination apply only to Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part V, of this Contract:
    - 1) In the event the federal Department of Health and Human Services (hereinafter referred to as DHHS), or State determines Contractor does not meet the requirements for participation in the DMC Treatment Program, State will terminate payments for services provided pursuant to Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part V, of this Contract for cause.
    - 2) All obligations to provide covered services under this Contract will automatically terminate on the effective date of any termination of this Contract. Contractor will be responsible for providing or arranging for covered services to beneficiaries until the effective date of termination or expiration of the Contract.

Contractor will remain liable for processing and paying invoices and statements for covered services and utilization review requirements prior to the expiration or termination until all obligations have been met.
    - 3) In the event Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part V, of this Contract is nullified, Contractor shall refer DMC clients to providers who are certified to provide the type(s) of services the client has been receiving.
  - I. In the event this Contract is terminated, Contractor shall deliver its entire fiscal and program records pertaining to the performance of this Contract to the State, which will retain the records for the required retention period.

**3. Avoidance of Conflicts of Interest by Contractor**

- A. DHCS intends to avoid any real or apparent conflict of interest on the part of the Contractor, subcontractors, or employees, officers and directors of the Contractor or subcontractors. Thus, DHCS reserves the right to determine, at its sole discretion, whether any information, assertion or claim received from any source indicates the existence of a real or apparent conflict of interest; and, if a conflict is found to exist, to require the Contractor to submit additional information or a plan for resolving the conflict, subject to DHCS review and prior approval.
- B. Conflicts of interest include, but are not limited to:
  - 1) An instance where the Contractor or any of its subcontractors, or any employee, officer, or director of the Contractor or any subcontractor has an interest, financial or otherwise, whereby the use or disclosure of information obtained while performing services under the Agreement would allow for private or personal benefit or for any purpose that is contrary to the goals and objectives of the Agreement.
  - 2) An instance where the Contractor's or any subcontractor's employees, officers, or directors use their positions for purposes that are, or give the appearance of being, motivated by a desire for private gain for themselves or others, such as those with whom they have family, business or other ties.
- C. If DHCS is or becomes aware of a known or suspected conflict of interest, the Contractor will be given an opportunity to submit additional information or to resolve the conflict. A Contractor with a suspected conflict of interest will have five (5) working days from the date of notification of the conflict by DHCS to provide complete information regarding the suspected conflict. If a conflict of interest is determined to exist by DHCS and cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of DHCS, the conflict will be grounds for terminating the Agreement. DHCS may, at its discretion upon receipt of a written request from the Contractor, authorize an extension of the timeline indicated herein.
- D. Contractor acknowledges that state laws on conflict of interest, found in the Political Reform Act, Public Contract Code Section 10365.5, and Government Code Section 1090, apply to this Contract.

**4. Freeze Exemptions**

(Applicable only to local government agencies.)

- A. Contractor agrees that any hiring freeze adopted during the term of this Agreement shall not be applied to the positions funded, in whole or part, by this Agreement.
- B. Contractor agrees not to implement any personnel policy, which may adversely affect performance or the positions funded, in whole or part, by this Agreement.

- C. Contractor agrees that any travel freeze or travel limitation policy adopted during the term of this Agreement shall not restrict travel funded, in whole or part, by this Agreement.
- D. Contractor agrees that any purchasing freeze or purchase limitation policy adopted during the term of this Agreement shall not restrict or limit purchases funded, in whole or part, by this Agreement.

**5. Domestic Partners**

Pursuant to Public Contract Code 10295.3, no state agency may enter into any contract executed or amended after January 1, 2007, for the acquisition of goods or services in the amount of \$100,000 or more with a contractor who, in the provision of benefits, discriminates between employees with spouses and employees with domestic partners, or discriminates between domestic partners and spouses of those employees.

**6. Force Majeure**

Neither party shall be responsible for delays or failures in performance resulting from acts beyond the control of the offending party. Such acts shall include but not be limited to acts of God, fire, flood, earthquake, other natural disaster, nuclear accident, strike, lockout, riot, freight, embargo, public related utility, or governmental statutes or regulations super-imposed after the fact. If a delay or failure in performance by the Contractor arises out of a default of its Subcontractor, and if such default of its Subcontractor, arises out of causes beyond the control of both the Contractor and Subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the Contractor shall not be liable for damages of such delay or failure, unless the supplies or services to be furnished by the Subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the required performance schedule.

**EXHIBIT G**

**PRIVACY AND INFORMATION SECURITY PROVISIONS**

This Exhibit G is intended to protect the privacy and security of specified Department information that Contractor may access, receive, or transmit under this Agreement. The Department information covered under this Exhibit G consists of: (1) Protected Health Information as defined under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191 ("HIPAA")(PHI); and (2) Personal Information (PI) as defined under the California Information Practices Act (CIPA), at California Civil Code Section 1798.3. Personal Information may include data provided to the Department by the Social Security Administration.

Exhibit G consists of the following parts:

1. Exhibit G-1, HIPAA Business Associate Addendum, which provides for the privacy and security of PHI.
2. Exhibit G-2, which provides for the privacy and security of PI in accordance with specified provisions of the Agreement between the Department and the Social Security Administration, known as the Information Exchange Agreement (IEA) and the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act Agreement between the Social Security Administration and the California Health and Human Services Agency (Computer Agreement) to the extent Contractor access, receives, or transmits PI under these Agreements. Exhibit G-2 further provides for the privacy and security of PI under Civil Code Section 1798.3(a) and 1798.29.
3. Exhibit G-3, Miscellaneous Provision, sets forth additional terms and conditions that extend to the provisions of Exhibit G in its entirety.

**EXHIBIT G-1**

**HIPAA Business Associate Addendum**

**1. Recitals.**

- A. A business associate relationship under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191 ("HIPAA"), the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act, Public Law 111-005 ("the HITECH Act"), 42 U.S.C. Section 17921 et seq., and their implementing privacy and security regulations at 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164 ("the HIPAA regulations") between Department and Contractor arises only to the extent that Contractor creates, receives, maintains, transmits, uses or discloses PHI or ePHI on the Department's behalf, or provides services, arranges, performs or assists in the performance of functions or activities on behalf of the Department that are included in the definition of "business associate" in 45 C.F.R. 160.103 where the provision of the service involves the disclosure of PHI or ePHI from the Department, including but not limited to, utilization review, quality assurance, or benefit management. To the extent Contractor performs these services, functions, and activities on behalf of Department, Contractor is the Business Associate of the Department, acting on the Department's behalf. The Department and Contractor are each a party to this Agreement and are collectively referred to as the "parties."
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- B. The Department wishes to disclose to Contractor certain information pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, some of which may constitute Protected Health Information ("PHI"), including protected health information in electronic media ("ePHI"), under federal law, to be used or disclosed in the course of providing services and activities as set forth in Section 1.A. of Exhibit G-1 of this Agreement. This information is hereafter referred to as "Department PHI".
- C. The purpose of this Exhibit G-1 is to protect the privacy and security of the PHI and ePHI that may be created, received, maintained, transmitted, used or disclosed pursuant to this Agreement, and to comply with certain standards and requirements of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, and the HIPAA regulations, including, but not limited to, the requirement that the Department must enter into a contract containing specific requirements with Contractor prior to the disclosure of PHI to Contractor, as set forth in 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164 and the HITECH Act. To the extent that data is both PHI or ePHI and Personally Identifying Information, both Exhibit G-2 (including Attachment I, the SSA Agreement between SSA, CHHS and DHCS, referred to in Exhibit G-2) and this Exhibit G-1 shall apply.
- D. The terms used in this Exhibit G-1, but not otherwise defined, shall have the same meanings as those terms have in the HIPAA regulations. Any reference

to statutory or regulatory language shall be to such language as in effect or as amended.

**2. Definitions.**

- A. Breach shall have the meaning given to such term under HIPAA, the HITECH Act, and the HIPAA regulations.
- B. Business Associate shall have the meaning given to such term under HIPAA, the HITECH Act, and the HIPAA regulations.
- C. Covered Entity shall have the meaning given to such term under HIPAA, the HITECH Act, and the HIPAA regulations.
- D. Department PHI shall mean Protected Health Information or Electronic Protected Health Information, as defined below, accessed by Contractor in a database maintained by the Department, received by Contractor from the Department or acquired or created by Contractor in connection with performing the functions, activities and services on behalf of the Department as specified in Section 1.A. of Exhibit G-1 of this Agreement. The terms PHI as used in this document shall mean Department PHI.
- E. Electronic Health Records shall have the meaning given to such term in the HITECH Act, including, but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. Section 17921 and implementing regulations.
- F. Electronic Protected Health Information (ePHI) means individually identifiable health information transmitted by electronic media or maintained in electronic media, including but not limited to electronic media as set forth under 45 CFR section 160.103.
- G. Individually Identifiable Health Information means health information, including demographic information collected from an individual, that is created or received by a health care provider, health plan, employer or health care clearinghouse, and relates to the past, present or future physical or mental health or condition of an individual, the provision of health care to an individual, or the past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual, that identifies the individual or where there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual, as set forth under 45 CFR Section 160.103.
- H. Privacy Rule shall mean the HIPAA Regulations that are found at 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164, subparts A and E.
- I. Protected Health Information (PHI) means individually identifiable health information that is transmitted by electronic media, maintained in electronic

media, or is transmitted or maintained in any other form or medium, as set forth under 45 CFR Section 160.103 and as defined under HIPAA.

- J. Required by law, as set forth under 45 CFR Section 164.103, means a mandate contained in law that compels an entity to make a use or disclosure of PHI that is enforceable in a court of law. This includes, but is not limited to, court orders and court-ordered warrants, subpoenas or summons issued by a court, grand jury, a governmental or tribal inspector general, or an administrative body authorized to require the production of information, and a civil or an authorized investigative demand. It also includes Medicare conditions of participation with respect to health care providers participating in the program, and statutes or regulations that require the production of information, including statutes or regulations that require such information if payment is sought under a government program providing public benefits.
- K. Secretary means the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services ("HHS") or the Secretary's designee.
- L. Security Incident means the attempted or successful unauthorized access, use, disclosure, modification, or destruction of Department PHI, or confidential data utilized by Contractor to perform the services, functions and activities on behalf of Department as set forth in Section 1.A. of Exhibit G-1 of this Agreement; or interference with system operations in an information system that processes, maintains or stores Department PHI.
- M. Security Rule shall mean the HIPAA regulations that are found at 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164.
- N. Unsecured PHI shall have the meaning given to such term under the HITECH Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 17932(h), any guidance issued by the Secretary pursuant to such Act and the HIPAA regulations.

### 3. Terms of Agreement.

#### A. Permitted Uses and Disclosures of Department PHI by Contractor.

Except as otherwise indicated in this Exhibit G-1, Contractor may use or disclose Department PHI only to perform functions, activities or services specified in Section 1.A of Exhibit G-1 of this Agreement, for, or on behalf of the Department, provided that such use or disclosure would not violate the HIPAA regulations or the limitations set forth in 42 CFR Part 2, or any other applicable law, if done by the Department. Any such use or disclosure, if not for purposes of treatment activities of a health care provider as defined by the Privacy Rule, must, to the extent practicable, be limited to the limited data set, as defined in 45 CFR Section 164.514(e)(2), or, if needed, to the minimum necessary to accomplish the intended purpose of such use or disclosure, in compliance with the HITECH

Act and any guidance issued pursuant to such Act, and the HIPAA regulations.

B. **Specific Use and Disclosure Provisions.** Except as otherwise indicated in this Exhibit G-1, Contractor may:

- 1) **Use and Disclose for Management and Administration.** Use and disclose Department PHI for the proper management and administration of the Contractor's business, provided that such disclosures are required by law, or the Contractor obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom the information is disclosed, in accordance with section D(7) of this Exhibit G-1, that it will remain confidential and will be used or further disclosed only as required by law or for the purpose for which it was disclosed to the person, and the person notifies the Contractor of any instances of which it is aware that the confidentiality of the information has been breached.
- 2) **Provision of Data Aggregation Services.** Use Department PHI to provide data aggregation services to the Department to the extent requested by the Department and agreed to by Contractor. Data aggregation means the combining of PHI created or received by the Contractor, as the Business Associate, on behalf of the Department with PHI received by the Business Associate in its capacity as the Business Associate of another covered entity, to permit data analyses that relate to the health care operations of the Department

C. **Prohibited Uses and Disclosures**

- 1) Contractor shall not disclose Department PHI about an individual to a health plan for payment or health care operations purposes if the Department PHI pertains solely to a health care item or service for which the health care provider involved has been paid out of pocket in full and the individual requests such restriction, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. Section 17935(a) and 45 CFR Section 164.522(a).
- 2) Contractor shall not directly or indirectly receive remuneration in exchange for Department PHI.

D. **Responsibilities of Contractor**

Contractor agrees:

- 1) **Nondisclosure.** Not to use or disclose Department PHI other than as permitted or required by this Agreement or as required by law, including but not limited to 42 CFR Part 2.
- 2) **Compliance with the HIPAA Security Rule.** To implement administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately

protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the Department PHI, including electronic PHI, that it creates, receives, maintains, uses or transmits on behalf of the Department, in compliance with 45 CFR Sections 164.308, 164.310 and 164.312, and to prevent use or disclosure of Department PHI other than as provided for by this Agreement. Contractor shall implement reasonable and appropriate policies and procedures to comply with the standards, implementation specifications and other requirements of 45 CFR Section 164, subpart C, in compliance with 45 CFR Section 164.316. Contractor shall develop and maintain a written information privacy and security program that includes administrative, technical and physical safeguards appropriate to the size and complexity of the Contractor's operations and the nature and scope of its activities, and which incorporates the requirements of section 3, Security, below. Contractor will provide the Department with its current and updated policies upon request.

- 3) **Security.** Contractor shall take any and all steps necessary to ensure the continuous security of all computerized data systems containing PHI and/or PI, and to protect paper documents containing PHI and/or PI. These steps shall include, at a minimum:
  - a. Complying with all of the data system security precautions listed in Attachment A, Data Security Requirements;
  - b. Achieving and maintaining compliance with the HIPAA Security Rule (45 CFR Parts 160 and 164), as necessary in conducting operations on behalf of DHCS under this Agreement; and
  - c. Providing a level and scope of security that is at least comparable to the level and scope of security established by the Office of Management and Budget in OMB Circular No. A-130, Appendix III- Security of Federal Automated Information Systems, which sets forth guidelines for automated information systems in Federal agencies.
- 4) **Security Officer.** Contractor shall designate a Security Officer to oversee its data security program who shall be responsible for carrying out the requirements of this section and for communicating on security matters with the Department.
- 5) **Mitigation of Harmful Effects.** To mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Contractor of a use or disclosure of Department PHI by Contractor or its subcontractors in violation of the requirements of this Exhibit G.
- 6) **Reporting Unauthorized Use or Disclosure.** To report to Department any use or disclosure of Department PHI not provided for by this Exhibit G of which it becomes aware.

**7) Contractor's Agents and Subcontractors.**

- a. To enter into written agreements with any agents, including subcontractors and vendors to whom Contractor provides Department PHI, that impose the same restrictions and conditions on such agents, subcontractors and vendors that apply to Contractor with respect to such Department PHI under this Exhibit G, and that require compliance with all applicable provisions of HIPAA, the HITECH Act and the HIPAA regulations, including the requirement that any agents, subcontractors or vendors implement reasonable and appropriate administrative, physical, and technical safeguards to protect such PHI. As required by HIPAA, the HITECH Act and the HIPAA regulations, including 45 CFR Sections 164.308 and 164.314, Contractor shall incorporate, when applicable, the relevant provisions of this Exhibit G-1 into each subcontract or subaward to such agents, subcontractors and vendors, including the requirement that any security incidents or breaches of unsecured PHI be reported to Contractor.
- b. In accordance with 45 CFR Section 164.504(e)(1)(ii), upon Contractor's knowledge of a material breach or violation by its subcontractor of the agreement between Contractor and the subcontractor, Contractor shall:
  - i) Provide an opportunity for the subcontractor to cure the breach or end the violation and terminate the agreement if the subcontractor does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by the Department; or
  - ii) Immediately terminate the agreement if the subcontractor has breached a material term of the agreement and cure is not possible.

**8) Availability of Information to the Department and Individuals to Provide Access and Information:**

- a. To provide access as the Department may require, and in the time and manner designated by the Department (upon reasonable notice and during Contractor's normal business hours) to Department PHI in a Designated Record Set, to the Department (or, as directed by the Department), to an Individual, in accordance with 45 CFR Section 164.524. Designated Record Set means the group of records maintained for the Department health plan under this Agreement that includes medical, dental and billing records about individuals;

enrollment, payment, claims adjudication, and case or medical management systems maintained for the Department health plan for which Contractor is providing services under this Agreement; or those records used to make decisions about individuals on behalf of the Department. Contractor shall use the forms and processes developed by the Department for this purpose and shall respond to requests for access to records transmitted by the Department within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of the request by producing the records or verifying that there are none.

- b. If Contractor maintains an Electronic Health Record with PHI, and an individual requests a copy of such information in an electronic format, Contractor shall provide such information in an electronic format to enable the Department to fulfill its obligations under the HITECH Act, including but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. Section 17935(e) and the HIPAA regulations.
- 9) **Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records.** Contractor agrees to comply with all confidentiality requirements set forth in Title 42 Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter I, Subchapter A, Part 2. Contractor is aware that criminal penalties may be imposed for a violation of these confidentiality requirements.
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- 10) **Amendment of Department PHI.** To make any amendment(s) to Department PHI that were requested by a patient and that the Department directs or agrees should be made to assure compliance with 45 CFR Section 164.526, in the time and manner designated by the Department, with the Contractor being given a minimum of twenty (20) days within which to make the amendment.
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- 11) **Internal Practices.** To make Contractor's internal practices, books and records relating to the use and disclosure of Department PHI available to the Department or to the Secretary, for purposes of determining the Department's compliance with the HIPAA regulations. If any information needed for this purpose is in the exclusive possession of any other entity or person and the other entity or person fails or refuses to furnish the information to Contractor, Contractor shall provide written notification to the Department and shall set forth the efforts it made to obtain the information.
- 12) **Documentation of Disclosures.** To document and make available to the Department or (at the direction of the Department) to an individual such disclosures of Department PHI, and information related to such disclosures, necessary to respond to a proper request by the subject Individual for an accounting of disclosures of such PHI, in accordance with the HITECH Act and its implementing regulations, including but not limited to 45 CFR Section

164.528 and 42 U.S.C. Section 17935(c). If Contractor maintains electronic health records for the Department as of January 1, 2009 and later, Contractor must provide an accounting of disclosures, including those disclosures for treatment, payment or health care operations. The electronic accounting of disclosures shall be for disclosures during the three years prior to the request for an accounting.

- 13) **Breaches and Security Incidents.** During the term of this Agreement, Contractor agrees to implement reasonable systems for the discovery and prompt reporting of any breach or security incident, and to take the following steps:

- a. **Initial Notice to the Department.** (1) To notify the Department **immediately by telephone call or email or fax** upon the discovery of a breach of unsecured PHI in electronic media or in any other media if the PHI was, or is reasonably believed to have been, accessed or acquired by an unauthorized person. (2) To notify the Department **within 24 hours (one hour if SSA data) by email or fax** of the discovery of any suspected security incident, intrusion or unauthorized access, use or disclosure of PHI in violation of this Agreement or this ExhibitG-1; or potential loss of confidential data affecting this Agreement. A breach shall be treated as discovered by Contractor as of the first day on which the breach is known, or by exercising reasonable diligence would have been known, to any person (other than the person committing the breach) who is an employee, officer or other agent of Contractor.

Notice shall be provided to the Information Protection Unit, Office of HIPAA Compliance. If the incident occurs after business hours or on a weekend or holiday and involves electronic PHI, notice shall be provided by calling the Information Protection Unit (916.445.4646, 866-866-0602) or by emailing [privacyofficer@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:privacyofficer@dhcs.ca.gov)). Notice shall be made using the DHCS "Privacy Incident Report" form, including all information known at the time. Contractor shall use the most current version of this form, which is posted on the DHCS Information Security Officer website ([www.dhcs.ca.gov](http://www.dhcs.ca.gov)), then select "Privacy" in the left column and then "Business Partner" near the middle of the page) or use this link: <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/laws/priv/Pages/DHCSBusinessAssociatesOnly.aspx>

Upon discovery of a breach or suspected security incident, intrusion or unauthorized access, use or disclosure of Department PHI, Contractor shall take:

- i) Prompt corrective action to mitigate any risks or damages involved with the breach and to protect the operating environment; and
  - ii) Any action pertaining to such unauthorized disclosure required by applicable Federal and State laws and regulations.
- b. **Investigation and Investigation Report.** To immediately investigate such suspected security incident, security incident, breach, or unauthorized access, use or disclosure of PHI . Within 72 hours of the discovery, Contractor shall submit an updated "Privacy Incident Report" containing the information marked with an asterisk and all other applicable information listed on the form, to the extent known at that time, to the Information Protection Unit.
- c. **Complete Report.** To provide a complete report of the investigation to the Department Program Contract Manager and the Information Protection Unit within ten (10) working days of the discovery of the breach or unauthorized use or disclosure. The report shall be submitted on the "Privacy Incident Report" form and shall include an assessment of all known factors relevant to a determination of whether a breach occurred under applicable provisions of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, and the HIPAA regulations. The report shall also include a full, detailed corrective action plan, including information on measures that were taken to halt and/or contain the improper use or disclosure. If the Department requests information in addition to that listed on the "Privacy Incident Report" form, Contractor shall make reasonable efforts to provide the Department with such information. If, because of the circumstances of the incident, Contractor needs more than ten (10) working days from the discovery to submit a complete report, the Department may grant a reasonable extension of time, in which case Contractor shall submit periodic updates until the complete report is submitted. If necessary, a Supplemental Report may be used to submit revised or additional information after the completed report is submitted, by submitting the revised or additional information on an updated "Privacy Incident Report" form. The Department will review and approve the determination of whether a breach occurred and whether individual notifications and a corrective action plan are required.
- d. **Responsibility for Reporting of Breaches.** If the cause of a breach of Department PHI is attributable to Contractor or its agents, subcontractors or vendors, Contractor is responsible for all

required reporting of the breach as specified in 42 U.S.C. section 17932 and its implementing regulations, including notification to media outlets and to the Secretary (after obtaining prior written approval of DHCS). If a breach of unsecured Department PHI involves more than 500 residents of the State of California or under its jurisdiction, Contractor shall first notify DHCS, then the Secretary of the breach immediately upon discovery of the breach. If a breach involves more than 500 California residents, Contractor shall also provide, after obtaining written prior approval of DHCS, notice to the Attorney General for the State of California, Privacy Enforcement Section. If Contractor has reason to believe that duplicate reporting of the same breach or incident may occur because its subcontractors, agents or vendors may report the breach or incident to the Department in addition to Contractor, Contractor shall notify the Department, and the Department and Contractor may take appropriate action to prevent duplicate reporting.

- e. **Responsibility for Notification of Affected Individuals.** If the cause of a breach of Department PHI is attributable to Contractor or its agents, subcontractors or vendors and notification of the affected individuals is required under state or federal law, Contractor shall bear all costs of such notifications as well as any costs associated with the breach. In addition, the Department reserves the right to require Contractor to notify such affected individuals, which notifications shall comply with the requirements set forth in 42U.S.C. section 17932 and its implementing regulations, including, but not limited to, the requirement that the notifications be made without unreasonable delay and in no event later than 60 calendar days after discovery of the breach. The Department Privacy Officer shall approve the time, manner and content of any such notifications and their review and approval must be obtained before the notifications are made. The Department will provide its review and approval expeditiously and without unreasonable delay.
- f. **Department Contact Information.** To direct communications to the above referenced Department staff, the Contractor shall initiate contact as indicated herein. The Department reserves the right to make changes to the contact information below by giving written notice to the Contractor. Said changes shall not require an amendment to this Addendum or the Agreement to which it is incorporated.

Department Program Contract Manager	DHCS Privacy Officer	DHCS Information Security Officer
See the Exhibit A, Scope of Work for Program Contract Manager information	Information Protection Unit c/o: Office of HIPAA Compliance Department of Health Care Services P.O. Box 997413, MS 4722 Sacramento, CA 95899-7413 (916) 445-4646; (866) 866-0602  Email: <a href="mailto:privacyofficer@dhcs.ca.gov">privacyofficer@dhcs.ca.gov</a>  Fax: (916) 440-7680	Information Security Officer DHCS Information Security Office P.O. Box 997413, MS 6400 Sacramento, CA 95899-7413  Email: <a href="mailto:iso@dhcs.ca.gov">iso@dhcs.ca.gov</a>  Telephone: ITSD Service Desk (916) 440-7000; (800) 579-0874  Fax: (916)440-5537

- 14) **Termination of Agreement.** In accordance with Section 13404(b) of the HITECH Act and to the extent required by the HIPAA regulations, if Contractor knows of a material breach or violation by the Department of this Exhibit G-1, it shall take the following steps:

- a. Provide an opportunity for the Department to cure the breach or end the violation and terminate the Agreement if the Department does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by Contractor; or
- b. Immediately terminate the Agreement if the Department has breached a material term of the Exhibit G-1 and cure is not possible.

- 15) **Sanctions and/or Penalties.** Contractor understands that a failure to comply with the provisions of HIPAA, the HITECH Act and the HIPAA regulations that are applicable to Contractors may result in the imposition of sanctions and/or penalties on Contractor under HIPAA, the HITECH Act and the HIPAA regulations.

**E. Obligations of the Department.**

The Department agrees to:

- 1) **Permission by Individuals for Use and Disclosure of PHI.** Provide the Contractor with any changes in, or revocation of, permission by an Individual

to use or disclose Department PHI, if such changes affect the Contractor's permitted or required uses and disclosures.

- 2) **Notification of Restrictions.** Notify the Contractor of any restriction to the use or disclosure of Department PHI that the Department has agreed to in accordance with 45 CFR Section 164.522, to the extent that such restriction may affect the Contractor's use or disclosure of PHI.
- 3) **Requests Conflicting with HIPAA Rules.** Not request the Contractor to use or disclose Department PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under the HIPAA regulations if done by the Department.
- 4) **Notice of Privacy Practices.** Provide Contractor with the web link to the Notice of Privacy Practices that DHCS produces in accordance with 45 CFR Section 164.520, as well as any changes to such notice. Visit the DHCS website to view the most current Notice of Privacy Practices at: <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/laws/priv/Pages/NoticeofPrivacyPractices.aspx> or the DHCS website at [www.dhcs.ca.gov](http://www.dhcs.ca.gov) (select "Privacy in the right column and "Notice of Privacy Practices" on the right side of the page).

#### F. Audits, Inspection and Enforcement

If Contractor is the subject of an audit, compliance review, or complaint investigation by the Secretary or the Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, that is related to the performance of its obligations pursuant to this HIPAA Business Associate Exhibit G-1, Contractor shall immediately notify the Department. Upon request from the Department, Contractor shall provide the Department with a copy of any Department PHI that Contractor, as the Business Associate, provides to the Secretary or the Office of Civil Rights concurrently with providing such PHI to the Secretary. Contractor is responsible for any civil penalties assessed due to an audit or investigation of Contractor, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. Section 17934(c).

#### G. Termination.

- 1) **Term.** The Term of this Exhibit G-1 shall extend beyond the termination of the Agreement and shall terminate when all Department PHI is destroyed or returned to the Department, in accordance with 45 CFR Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(J).
- 2) **Termination for Cause.** In accordance with 45 CFR Section 164.504(e)(1)(iii), upon the Department's knowledge of a material breach or violation of this Exhibit G-1 by Contractor, the Department shall:
  - a. Provide an opportunity for Contractor to cure the breach or end the violation and terminate this Agreement if Contractor does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by the Department; or

- b. Immediately terminate this Agreement if Contractor has breached a material term of this Exhibit G-1 and cure is not possible.

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## EXHIBIT G-2

### Privacy and Security of Personal Information and Personally Identifiable Information Not Subject to HIPAA

#### 1. Recitals.

- A. In addition to the Privacy and Security Rules under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) the Department is subject to various other legal and contractual requirements with respect to the personal information (PI) and personally identifiable information (PII) it maintains. These include:
  - 1) The California Information Practices Act of 1977 (California Civil Code §§1798 et seq.),
  - 2) The Agreement between the Social Security Administration (SSA) and the Department, known as the Information Exchange Agreement (IEA), which incorporates the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act Agreement (CMPPA) between the SSA and the California Health and Human Services Agency. The IEA, including the CMPPA is attached to this Exhibit G as Attachment I and is hereby incorporated in this Agreement.
  - 3) Title 42 Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter I, Subchapter A, Part 2.
- B. The purpose of this Exhibit G-2 is to set forth Contractor's privacy and security obligations with respect to PI and PII that Contractor may create, receive, maintain, use, or disclose for or on behalf of Department pursuant to this Agreement. Specifically this Exhibit applies to PI and PII which is not Protected Health Information (PHI) as defined by HIPAA and therefore is not addressed in Exhibit G-1 of this Agreement, the HIPAA Business Associate Addendum; however, to the extent that data is both PHI or ePHI and PII, both Exhibit G-1 and this Exhibit G-2 shall apply.
- C. The IEA Agreement referenced in A.2) above requires the Department to extend its substantive privacy and security terms to subcontractors who receive data provided to DHCS by the Social Security Administration. If Contractor receives data from DHCS that includes data provided to DHCS by the Social Security Administration, Contractor must comply with the following specific sections of the IEA Agreement: E. Security Procedures, F. Contractor/Agent Responsibilities, and G. Safeguarding and Reporting Responsibilities for Personally Identifiable Information ("PII"), and in Attachment 4 to the IEA, Electronic Information Exchange Security Requirements, Guidelines and Procedures for Federal, State and Local Agencies Exchanging Electronic Information with the Social Security Administration. Contractor must also ensure that any agents, including a

subcontractor, to whom it provides DHCS data that includes data provided by the Social Security Administration, agree to the same requirements for privacy and security safeguards for such confidential data that apply to Contractor with respect to such information.

- D. The terms used in this Exhibit G-2, but not otherwise defined, shall have the same meanings as those terms have in the above referenced statute and Agreement. Any reference to statutory, regulatory, or contractual language shall be to such language as in effect or as amended.

## **2. Definitions.**

- A. "Breach" shall have the meaning given to such term under the IEA and CMPPA. It shall include a "PII loss" as that term is defined in the CMPPA.
- B. "Breach of the security of the system" shall have the meaning given to such term under the California Information Practices Act, Civil Code section 1798.29(f).
- C. "CMPPA Agreement" means the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act Agreement between the Social Security Administration and the California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHS).
- D. "Department PI" shall mean Personal Information, as defined below, accessed in a database maintained by the Department, received by Contractor from the Department or acquired or created by Contractor in connection with performing the functions, activities and services specified in this Agreement on behalf of the Department.
- E. "IEA" shall mean the Information Exchange Agreement currently in effect between the Social Security Administration (SSA) and the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS).
- F. "Notice-triggering Personal Information" shall mean the personal information identified in Civil Code section 1798.29 whose unauthorized access may trigger notification requirements under Civil Code section 1798.29. For purposes of this provision, identity shall include, but not be limited to, name, address, email address, identifying number, symbol, or other identifying particular assigned to the individual, such as a finger or voice print, a photograph or a biometric identifier. Notice-triggering Personal Information includes PI in electronic, paper or any other medium.
- G. "Personally Identifiable Information" (PII) shall have the meaning given to such term in the IEA and CMPPA.
- H. "Personal Information" (PI) shall have the meaning given to such term in California Civil Code Section 1798.3(a).

- I. "Required by law" means a mandate contained in law that compels an entity to make a use or disclosure of PI or PII that is enforceable in a court of law. This includes, but is not limited to, court orders and court-ordered warrants, subpoenas or summons issued by a court, grand jury, a governmental or tribal inspector general, or an administrative body authorized to require the production of information, and a civil or an authorized investigative demand. It also includes Medicare conditions of participation with respect to health care providers participating in the program, and statutes or regulations that require the production of information, including statutes or regulations that require such information if payment is sought under a government program providing public benefits.
- J. "Security Incident" means the attempted or successful unauthorized access, use, disclosure, modification, or destruction of PI, or confidential data utilized in complying with this Agreement; or interference with system operations in an information system that processes, maintains or stores PI.

### 3. Terms of Agreement

#### A. Permitted Uses and Disclosures of Department PI and PII by Contractor

Except as otherwise indicated in this Exhibit G-2, Contractor may use or disclose Department PI only to perform functions, activities or services for or on behalf of the Department pursuant to the terms of this Agreement provided that such use or disclosure would not violate the California Information Practices Act (CIPA) if done by the Department.

#### B. Responsibilities of Contractor

Contractor agrees:

- 1) **Nondisclosure.** Not to use or disclose Department PI or PII other than as permitted or required by this Agreement or as required by applicable state and federal law.
- 2) **Safeguards.** To implement appropriate and reasonable administrative, technical, and physical safeguards to protect the security, confidentiality and integrity of Department PI and PII, to protect against anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of Department PI and PII, and to prevent use or disclosure of Department PI or PII other than as provided for by this Agreement. Contractor shall develop and maintain a written information privacy and security program that include administrative, technical and physical safeguards appropriate to the size and complexity of Contractor's operations and the nature and scope of its activities, which incorporate the requirements of section 3, Security, below. Contractor will provide DHCS with its current policies upon request.

- 3) **Security.** Contractor shall take any and all steps necessary to ensure the continuous security of all computerized data systems containing PHI and/or PI, and to protect paper documents containing PHI and/or PI. These steps shall include, at a minimum:
- a. Complying with all of the data system security precautions listed in Attachment A, Business Associate Data Security Requirements;
  - b. Providing a level and scope of security that is at least comparable to the level and scope of security established by the Office of Management and Budget in OMB Circular No. A-130, Appendix III- Security of Federal Automated Information Systems, which sets forth guidelines for automated information systems in Federal agencies; and
  - c. If the data obtained by Contractor from DHCS includes PII, Contractor shall also comply with the substantive privacy and security requirements in the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act Agreement between the SSA and the California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHS) and in the Agreement between the SSA and DHCS, known as the Information Exchange Agreement, which are attached as Attachment I and incorporated into this Agreement. The specific sections of the IEA with substantive privacy and security requirements to be complied with are sections E, F, and G, and in Attachment 4 to the IEA, Electronic Information Exchange Security Requirements, Guidelines and Procedures for Federal, State and Local Agencies Exchanging Electronic Information with the SSA. Contractor also agrees to ensure that any agents, including a subcontractor to whom it provides DHCS PII, agree to the same requirements for privacy and security safeguards for confidential data that apply to Contractor with respect to such information.
- 4) **Mitigation of Harmful Effects.** To mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Contractor of a use or disclosure of Department PI or PII by Contractor or its subcontractors in violation of this Exhibit G-2.
- 5) **Contractor's Agents and Subcontractors.** To impose the same restrictions and conditions set forth in this Exhibit G-2 on any subcontractors or other agents with whom Contractor subcontracts any activities under this Agreement that involve the disclosure of Department PI or PII to the subcontractor.
- 6) **Availability of Information to DHCS.** To make Department PI and PII available to the Department for purposes of oversight, inspection, amendment, and response to requests for records, injunctions, judgments, and orders for production of Department PI and PII. If

Contractor receives Department PII, upon request by DHCS, Contractor shall provide DHCS with a list of all employees, contractors and agents who have access to Department PII, including employees, contractors and agents of its subcontractors and agents.

- 7) **Cooperation with DHCS.** With respect to Department PI, to cooperate with and assist the Department to the extent necessary to ensure the Department's compliance with the applicable terms of the CIPA including, but not limited to, accounting of disclosures of Department PI, correction of errors in Department PI, production of Department PI, disclosure of a security breach involving Department PI and notice of such breach to the affected individual(s).
- 8) **Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records.** Contractor agrees to comply with all confidentiality requirements set forth in Title 42 Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter I, Subchapter A, Part 2. Contractor is aware that criminal penalties may be imposed for a violation of these confidentiality requirements.
- 9) **Breaches and Security Incidents.** During the term of this Agreement, Contractor agrees to implement reasonable systems for the discovery and prompt reporting of any breach or security incident, and to take the following steps:
  - a. Initial Notice to the Department. (1) To notify the Department **immediately by telephone call or email or fax** upon the discovery of a breach of unsecured Department PI or PII in electronic media or in any other media if the PI or PII was, or is reasonably believed to have been, accessed or acquired by an unauthorized person, or upon discovery of a suspected security incident involving Department PII. (2) To notify the Department **within one (1) hour by email or fax** if the data is data subject to the SSA Agreement; and **within 24 hours by email or fax** of the discovery of any suspected security incident, intrusion or unauthorized access, use or disclosure of Department PI or PII in violation of this Agreement or this Exhibit G-1 or potential loss of confidential data affecting this Agreement. A breach shall be treated as discovered by Contractor as of the first day on which the breach is known, or by exercising reasonable diligence would have been known, to any person (other than the person committing the breach) who is an employee, officer or other agent of Contractor.
  - b. Notice shall be provided to the Information Protection Unit, Office of HIPAA Compliance. If the incident occurs after business hours or on a weekend or holiday and involves electronic Department PI or PII, notice shall be provided by calling the Department Information Security Officer. Notice shall be made using the DHCS

"Privacy Incident Report" form, including all information known at the time. Contractor shall use the most current version of this form, which is posted on the DHCS Information Security Officer website ([www.dhcs.ca.gov](http://www.dhcs.ca.gov), then select "Privacy" in the left column and then "Business Partner" near the middle of the page) or use this link: <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/laws/priv/Pages/DHCSBusinessAssociatesOnly.aspx> .

- c. Upon discovery of a breach or suspected security incident, intrusion or unauthorized access, use or disclosure of Department PI or PII, Contractor shall take:
  - i. Prompt corrective action to mitigate any risks or damages involved with the breach and to protect the operating environment; and
  - ii. Any action pertaining to such unauthorized disclosure required by applicable Federal and State laws and regulations.
- d. **Investigation and Investigation Report.** To immediately investigate such suspected security incident, security incident, breach, or unauthorized access, use or disclosure of PHI. Within 72 hours of the discovery, Contractor shall submit an updated "Privacy Incident Report" containing the information marked with an asterisk and all other applicable information listed on the form, to the extent known at that time, to the Department Information Security Officer.
- e. **Complete Report.** To provide a complete report of the investigation to the Department Program Contract Manager and the Information Protection Unit within ten (10) working days of the discovery of the breach or unauthorized use or disclosure. The report shall be submitted on the "Privacy Incident Report" form and shall include an assessment of all known factors relevant to a determination of whether a breach occurred. The report shall also include a full, detailed corrective action plan, including information on measures that were taken to halt and/or contain the improper use or disclosure. If the Department requests information in addition to that listed on the "Privacy Incident Report" form, Contractor shall make reasonable efforts to provide the Department with such information. If, because of the circumstances of the incident, Contractor needs more than ten (10) working days from the discovery to submit a complete report, the Department may grant a reasonable extension of time, in which case Contractor shall submit periodic updates until the complete report is submitted. If necessary, a Supplemental Report may be used to submit revised or additional information after the

completed report is submitted, by submitting the revised or additional information on an updated "Privacy Incident Report" form. The Department will review and approve the determination of whether a breach occurred and whether individual notifications and a corrective action plan are required.

- f. **Responsibility for Reporting of Breaches.** If the cause of a breach of Department PI or PII is attributable to Contractor or its agents, subcontractors or vendors, Contractor is responsible for all required reporting of the breach as specified in CIPA, section 1798.29 and as may be required under the IEA. Contractor shall bear all costs of required notifications to individuals as well as any costs associated with the breach. The Privacy Officer shall approve the time, manner and content of any such notifications and their review and approval must be obtained before the notifications are made. The Department will provide its review and approval expeditiously and without unreasonable delay.
- g. If Contractor has reason to believe that duplicate reporting of the same breach or incident may occur because its subcontractors, agents or vendors may report the breach or incident to the Department in addition to Contractor, Contractor shall notify the Department, and the Department and Contractor may take appropriate action to prevent duplicate reporting.
- h. **Department Contact Information.** To direct communications to the above referenced Department staff, the Contractor shall initiate contact as indicated herein. The Department reserves the right to make changes to the contact information below by giving written notice to the Contractor. Said changes shall not require an amendment to this Addendum or the Agreement to which it is incorporated.

Department Program Contract Manager	DHCS Privacy Officer	DHCS Information Security Officer
See the Exhibit A, Scope of Work for Program Contract Manager information	Information Protection Unit c/o: Office of HIPAA Compliance Department of Health Care Services P.O. Box 997413, MS 4722 Sacramento, CA 95899-7413 (916) 445-4646 Email: <a href="mailto:privacyofficer@dhcs.ca.gov">privacyofficer@dhcs.ca.gov</a>  Telephone:(916) 445-4646  Fax: (916) 440-7680	Information Security Officer DHCS Information Security Office P.O. Box 997413, MS 6400 Sacramento, CA 95899-7413  Email: <a href="mailto:iso@dhcs.ca.gov">iso@dhcs.ca.gov</a>  Telephone: ITSD Service Desk (916) 440-7000 or (800) 579-0874  Fax: (916)440-5537

**10) Designation of Individual Responsible for Security**

Contractor shall designate an individual, (e.g., Security Officer), to oversee its data security program who shall be responsible for carrying out the requirements of this Exhibit G-2 and for communicating on security matters with the Department.

### EXHIBIT G-3

#### Miscellaneous Terms and Conditions

##### Applicable to Exhibit G

- 1) **Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records.** Contractor agrees to comply with all confidentiality requirements set forth in Title 42 Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter I, Subchapter A, Part 2. Contractor is aware that criminal penalties may be imposed for a violation of these confidentiality requirements.
- 2) **Disclaimer.** The Department makes no warranty or representation that compliance by Contractor with this Exhibit G, HIPAA or the HIPAA regulations will be adequate or satisfactory for Contractor's own purposes or that any information in Contractor's possession or control, or transmitted or received by Contractor, is or will be secure from unauthorized use or disclosure. Contractor is solely responsible for all decisions made by Contractor regarding the safeguarding of the Department PHI, PI and PII.
- 3) **Amendment.** The parties acknowledge that federal and state laws relating to electronic data security and privacy are rapidly evolving and that amendment of this Exhibit G may be required to provide for procedures to ensure compliance with such developments. The parties specifically agree to take such action as is necessary to implement the standards and requirements of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, and the HIPAA regulations, and other applicable state and federal laws. Upon either party's request, the other party agrees to promptly enter into negotiations concerning an amendment to this Exhibit G embodying written assurances consistent with the standards and requirements of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, and the HIPAA regulations, and other applicable state and federal laws. The Department may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice in the event:
  - a) Contractor does not promptly enter into negotiations to amend this Exhibit G when requested by the Department pursuant to this section; or
  - b) Contractor does not enter into an amendment providing assurances regarding the safeguarding of Department PHI that the Department deems is necessary to satisfy the standards and requirements of HIPAA and the HIPAA regulations.
- 4) **Judicial or Administrative Proceedings.** Contractor will notify the Department if it is named as a defendant in a criminal proceeding for a violation of HIPAA or other security or privacy law. The Department may terminate this Agreement if Contractor is found guilty of a criminal violation of

HIPAA. The Department may terminate this Agreement if a finding or stipulation that the Contractor has violated any standard or requirement of HIPAA, or other security or privacy laws is made in any administrative or civil proceeding in which the Contractor is a party or has been joined. DHCS will consider the nature and seriousness of the violation in deciding whether or not to terminate the Agreement.

- 5) **Assistance in Litigation or Administrative Proceedings.** Contractor shall make itself and any subcontractors, employees or agents assisting Contractor in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, available to the Department at no cost to the Department to testify as witnesses, or otherwise, in the event of litigation or administrative proceedings being commenced against the Department, its directors, officers or employees based upon claimed violation of HIPAA, or the HIPAA regulations, which involves inactions or actions by the Contractor, except where Contractor or its subcontractor, employee or agent is a named adverse party.
- 6) **No Third-Party Beneficiaries.** Nothing express or implied in the terms and conditions of this Exhibit G is intended to confer, nor shall anything herein confer, upon any person other than the Department or Contractor and their respective successors or assignees, any rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities whatsoever.
- 7) **Interpretation.** The terms and conditions in this Exhibit G shall be interpreted as broadly as necessary to implement and comply with HIPAA, the HITECH Act, and the HIPAA regulations. The parties agree that any ambiguity in the terms and conditions of this Exhibit G shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that complies and is consistent with HIPAA, the HITECH Act and the HIPAA regulations, and, if applicable, any other relevant state and federal laws.
- 8) **Conflict.** In case of a conflict between any applicable privacy or security rules, laws, regulations or standards the most stringent shall apply. The most stringent means that safeguard which provides the highest level of protection to PHI, PI and PII from unauthorized disclosure. Further, Contractor must comply within a reasonable period of time with changes to these standards that occur after the effective date of this Agreement.
- 9) **Regulatory References.** A reference in the terms and conditions of this Exhibit G to a section in the HIPAA regulations means the section as in effect or as amended.
- 10) **Survival.** The respective rights and obligations of Contractor under Section 3, Item D of Exhibit G-1, and Section 3, Item B of Exhibit G-2, Responsibilities of Contractor, shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.
- 11) **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.

- 12) **Audits, Inspection and Enforcement.** From time to time, and subject to all applicable federal and state privacy and security laws and regulations, the Department may conduct a reasonable inspection of the facilities, systems, books and records of Contractor to monitor compliance with this Exhibit G. Contractor shall promptly remedy any violation of any provision of this Exhibit G. The fact that the Department inspects, or fails to inspect, or has the right to inspect, Contractor's facilities, systems and procedures does not relieve Contractor of its responsibility to comply with this Exhibit G. The Department's failure to detect a non-compliant practice, or a failure to report a detected non-compliant practice to Contractor does not constitute acceptance of such practice or a waiver of the Department's enforcement rights under this Agreement, including this Exhibit G.
- 13) **Due Diligence.** Contractor shall exercise due diligence and shall take reasonable steps to ensure that it remains in compliance with this Exhibit G and is in compliance with applicable provisions of HIPAA, the HITECH Act and the HIPAA regulations, and other applicable state and federal law, and that its agents, subcontractors and vendors are in compliance with their obligations as required by this Exhibit G.
- 14) **Term.** The Term of this Exhibit G-1 shall extend beyond the termination of the Agreement and shall terminate when all Department PHI is destroyed or returned to the Department, in accordance with 45 CFR Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(I), and when all Department PI and PII is destroyed in accordance with Attachment A.
- 14) **Effect of Termination.** Upon termination or expiration of this Agreement for any reason, Contractor shall return or destroy all Department PHI, PI and PII that Contractor still maintains in any form, and shall retain no copies of such PHI, PI or PII. If return or destruction is not feasible, Contractor shall notify the Department of the conditions that make the return or destruction infeasible, and the Department and Contractor shall determine the terms and conditions under which Contractor may retain the PHI, PI or PII. Contractor shall continue to extend the protections of this Exhibit G to such Department PHI, PI and PII, and shall limit further use of such data to those purposes that make the return or destruction of such data infeasible. This provision shall apply to Department PHI, PI and PII that is in the possession of subcontractors or agents of Contractor.

**Attachment A**  
**Data Security Requirements**

**1. Personnel Controls**

- A. **Employee Training.** All workforce members who assist in the performance of functions or activities on behalf of the Department, or access or disclose Department PHI or PI must complete information privacy and security training, at least annually, at Contractor's expense. Each workforce member who receives information privacy and security training must sign a certification, indicating the member's name and the date on which the training was completed. These certifications must be retained for a period of six (6) years following termination of this Agreement.
- B. **Employee Discipline.** Appropriate sanctions must be applied against workforce members who fail to comply with privacy policies and procedures or any provisions of these requirements, including termination of employment where appropriate.
- C. **Confidentiality Statement.** All persons that will be working with Department PHI or PI must sign a confidentiality statement that includes, at a minimum, General Use, Security and Privacy Safeguards, Unacceptable Use, and Enforcement Policies. The statement must be signed by the workforce member prior to access to Department PHI or PI. The statement must be renewed annually. The Contractor shall retain each person's written confidentiality statement for Department inspection for a period of six (6) years following termination of this Agreement.
- D. **Background Check.** Before a member of the workforce may access Department PHI or PI, a background screening of that worker 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 workforce member's background check documentation for a period of three (3) years.

**2. Technical Security Controls**

- A. **Workstation/Laptop encryption.** All workstations and laptops that store Department PHI or PI either directly or temporarily must be encrypted using a FIPS 140-2 certified algorithm which is 128bit or higher, such as Advanced Encryption Standard (AES). The encryption solution must be full disk unless approved by the Department Information Security Office.

- B. **Server Security.** Servers containing unencrypted Department PHI or PI must have sufficient administrative, physical, and technical controls in place to protect that data, based upon a risk assessment/system security review.
- C. **Minimum Necessary.** Only the minimum necessary amount of Department PHI or PI required to perform necessary business functions may be copied, downloaded, or exported.
- D. **Removable media devices.** All electronic files that contain Department PHI or PI data must be encrypted when stored on any removable media or portable device (i.e. USB thumb drives, floppies, CD/DVD, Blackberry, backup tapes etc.). Encryption must be a FIPS 140-2 certified algorithm which is 128bit or higher, such as AES.
- E. **Antivirus software.** All workstations, laptops and other systems that process and/or store Department PHI or PI must install and actively use comprehensive anti-virus software solution with automatic updates scheduled at least daily.
- F. **Patch Management.** All workstations, laptops and other systems that process and/or store Department PHI or PI must have critical security patches applied, with system reboot if necessary. There must be a documented patch management process which determines installation timeframe based on risk assessment and vendor recommendations. At a maximum, all applicable patches must be installed within 30 days of vendor release. Applications and systems that cannot be patched within this time frame due to significant operational reasons must have compensatory controls implemented to minimize risk until the patches can be installed. Applications and systems that cannot be patched must have compensatory controls implemented to minimize risk, where possible.
- G. **User IDs and Password Controls.** All users must be issued a unique user name for accessing Department PHI or PI. Username must be promptly disabled, deleted, or the password changed upon the transfer or termination of an employee with knowledge of the password. Passwords are not to be shared. Passwords must be at least eight characters and must be a non-dictionary word. Passwords must not be stored in readable format on the computer. Passwords must be changed at least every 90 days, preferably every 60 days. Passwords must be changed if revealed or compromised. Passwords must be composed of characters from at least three of the following four groups from the standard keyboard:
- 1) Upper case letters (A-Z)
  - 2) Lower case letters (a-z)
  - 3) Arabic numerals (0-9)
  - 4) Non-alphanumeric characters (punctuation symbols)
- H. **Data Destruction.** When no longer needed, all Department PHI or PI must be wiped using the Gutmann or US Department of Defense (DoD) 5220.22-M (7 Pass) standard, or by degaussing. Media may also be physically destroyed in accordance with NIST

Special Publication 800-88. Other methods require prior written permission of the Department Information Security Office.

- I. **System Timeout.** The system providing access to Department PHI or PI must provide an automatic timeout, requiring re-authentication of the user session after no more than 20 minutes of inactivity.
  - J. **Warning Banners.** All systems providing access to Department PHI or PI must display a warning banner stating that data is confidential, systems are logged, and system use is for business purposes only by authorized users. User must be directed to log off the system if they do not agree with these requirements.
  - K. **System Logging.** The system must maintain an automated audit trail which can identify the user or system process which initiates a request for Department PHI or PI, or which alters Department PHI or PI. The audit trail must be date and time stamped, must log both successful and failed accesses, must be read only, and must be restricted to authorized users. If Department PHI or PI is stored in a database, database logging functionality must be enabled. Audit trail data must be archived for at least 3 years after occurrence.
  - L. **Access Controls.** The system providing access to Department PHI or PI must use role based access controls for all user authentications, enforcing the principle of least privilege.
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- M. **Transmission encryption.** All data transmissions of Department PHI or PI outside the secure internal network must be encrypted using a FIPS 140-2 certified algorithm which is 128bit or higher, such as AES. Encryption can be end to end at the network level, or the data files containing Department PHI can be encrypted. This requirement pertains to any type of Department PHI or PI in motion such as website access, file transfer, and E-Mail.
  - N. **Intrusion Detection.** All systems involved in accessing, holding, transporting, and protecting Department PHI or PI that are accessible via the Internet must be protected by a comprehensive intrusion detection and prevention solution.
3. **Audit Controls**
- A. **System Security Review.** Contractor must ensure audit control mechanisms that record and examine system activity are in place. All systems processing and/or storing Department PHI or PI must have at least an annual system risk assessment/security review which provides assurance that administrative, physical, and technical controls are functioning effectively and providing adequate levels of protection. Reviews should include vulnerability scanning tools.

- B. **Log Reviews.** All systems processing and/or storing Department PHI or PI must have a routine procedure in place to review system logs for unauthorized access.
- C. **Change Control.** All systems processing and/or storing Department PHI or PI must have a documented change control procedure that ensures separation of duties and protects the confidentiality, integrity and availability of data.

4. **Business Continuity / Disaster Recovery Controls**

- A. **Emergency Mode Operation Plan.** Contractor must establish a documented plan to enable continuation of critical business processes and protection of the security of Department PHI or PI held in an electronic format in the event of an emergency. Emergency means any circumstance or situation that causes normal computer operations to become unavailable for use in performing the work required under this Agreement for more than 24 hours.
- B. **Data Backup Plan.** Contractor must have established documented procedures to backup Department PHI to maintain retrievable exact copies of Department PHI or PI. The plan must include a regular schedule for making backups, storing backups offsite, an inventory of backup media, and an estimate of the amount of time needed to restore Department PHI or PI should it be lost. At a minimum, the schedule must be a weekly full backup and monthly offsite storage of Department data.

5. **Paper Document Controls**

- A. **Supervision of Data.** Department PHI or PI in paper form shall not be left unattended at any time, unless it is locked in a file cabinet, file room, desk or office. Unattended means that information is not being observed by an employee authorized to access the information. Department PHI or PI in paper form shall not be left unattended at any time in vehicles or planes and shall not be checked in baggage on commercial airplanes.
- B. **Escorting Visitors.** Visitors to areas where Department PHI or PI is contained shall be escorted and Department PHI or PI shall be kept out of sight while visitors are in the area.
- C. **Confidential Destruction.** Department PHI or PI must be disposed of through confidential means, such as cross cut shredding and pulverizing.
- D. **Removal of Data.** Only the minimum necessary Department PHI or PI may be removed from the premises of the Contractor except with express written permission of the Department. Department PHI or PI shall not be considered "removed from the premises" if it is only being transported from one of Contractor's locations to another of Contractor's locations.

- E. **Faxing.** Faxes containing Department PHI or PI shall not be left unattended and fax machines shall be in secure areas. Faxes shall contain a confidentiality statement notifying persons receiving faxes in error to destroy them. Fax numbers shall be verified with the intended recipient before sending the fax.
- F. **Mailing.** Mailings containing Department PHI or PI shall be sealed and secured from damage or inappropriate viewing of such PHI or PI to the extent possible. Mailings which include 500 or more individually identifiable records of Department PHI or PI in a single package shall be sent using a tracked mailing method which includes verification of delivery and receipt, unless the prior written permission of the Department to use another method is obtained.

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**Attachment I**

Information Exchange Agreement between the  
Social Security Administration (SSA) and the  
California Department of Health Care Services



**INFORMATION EXCHANGE AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (SSA)  
AND  
THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES (STATE AGENCY)**

- A. PURPOSE:** The purpose of this Information Exchange Agreement ("IEA") is to establish terms, conditions, and safeguards under which SSA will disclose to the State Agency certain information, records, or data (herein "data") to assist the State Agency in administering certain federally funded state-administered benefit programs (including state-funded state supplementary payment programs under Title XVI of the Social Security Act) identified in this IEA. By entering into this IEA, the State Agency agrees to comply with:
- the terms and conditions set forth in the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act Agreement ("CMPPA Agreement") attached as **Attachment 1**, governing the State Agency's use of the data disclosed from SSA's Privacy Act System of Records; and
  - all other terms and conditions set forth in this IEA.
- B. PROGRAMS AND DATA EXCHANGE SYSTEMS:** (1) The State Agency will use the data received or accessed from SSA under this IEA for the purpose of administering the federally funded, state-administered programs identified in Table 1 below. In Table 1, the State Agency has identified: (a) each federally funded, state-administered program that it administers; and (b) each SSA data exchange system to which the State Agency needs access in order to administer the identified program. The list of SSA's data exchange systems is attached as **Attachment 2**:

**TABLE 1**

<b>FEDERALLY FUNDED BENEFIT PROGRAMS</b>	
<b>Program</b>	<b>SSA Data Exchange System(s)</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medicaid	BENDEX/SDX/EVS/SVES/SOLQ/SVES I-Citizenship /Quarters of Coverage/Prisoner Query
<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP- formerly Food Stamps)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Unemployment Compensation (Federal)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Unemployment Compensation (State)	
<input type="checkbox"/> State Child Support Agency	
<input type="checkbox"/> Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LI-HEAP)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Workers Compensation	
<input type="checkbox"/> Vocational Rehabilitation Services	



<input type="checkbox"/> Foster Care (IV-E)	
<input type="checkbox"/> State Health Insurance Program (S-CHIP)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Women, Infants and Children (W.I.C.)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medicare Savings Programs (MSP)	LIS File
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medicare 1144 (Outreach)	Medicare 1144 Outreach File
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Federally Funded, State-Administered Programs (List Below)	
Program	SSA Data Exchange System(s)

(2) The State Agency will use each identified data exchange system *only* for the purpose of administering the specific program for which access to the data exchange system is provided. SSA data exchange systems are protected by the Privacy Act and federal law prohibits the use of SSA's data for any purpose other than the purpose of administering the specific program for which such data is disclosed. In particular, the State Agency will use: (a) the **tax return data** disclosed by SSA only to determine individual eligibility for, or the amount of, assistance under a state plan pursuant to Section 1137 programs and child support enforcement programs in accordance with 26 U.S.C. § 6103(1)(8); and (b) the **citizenship status data** disclosed by SSA under the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009, Pub. L. 111-3, only for the purpose of determining entitlement to Medicaid and CHIP program for new applicants. The State Agency also acknowledges that SSA's citizenship data may be less than 50 percent current. Applicants for SSNs report their citizenship data at the time they apply for their SSNs; there is no obligation for an individual to report to SSA a change in his or her immigration status until he or she files a claim for benefits.

**C. PROGRAM QUESTIONNAIRE:** Prior to signing this IEA, the State Agency will complete and submit to SSA a program questionnaire for each of the federally funded, state-administered programs checked in Table 1 above. SSA will not disclose any data under this IEA until it has received and approved the completed program questionnaire for each of the programs identified in Table 1 above.



**D. TRANSFER OF DATA:** SSA will transmit the data to the State Agency under this IEA using the data transmission method identified in Table 2 below:

**TABLE 2**

TRANSFER OF DATA
<input type="checkbox"/> Data will be transmitted directly between SSA and the State Agency.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Data will be transmitted directly between SSA and the California Office of Technology (State Transmission/Transfer Component ("STC")) by the File Transfer Management System, a secure mechanism approved by SSA. The STC will serve as the conduit between SSA and the State Agency pursuant to the State STC Agreement.
<input type="checkbox"/> Data will be transmitted directly between SSA and the Interstate Connection Network ("ICON"). ICON is a wide area telecommunications network connecting state agencies that administer the state unemployment insurance laws. When receiving data through ICON, the State Agency will comply with the "Systems Security Requirements for SSA Web Access to SSA Information Through the ICON," attached as Attachment 3.

**E. SECURITY PROCEDURES:** The State Agency will comply with limitations on use, treatment, and safeguarding of data under the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended by the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988, related Office of Management and Budget guidelines, the Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002 (44 U.S.C. § 3541, et seq.), and related National Institute of Standards and Technology guidelines. In addition, the State Agency will comply with SSA's "Information System Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies Receiving Electronic Information from the Social Security Administration," attached as Attachment 4. For any tax return data, the State Agency will also comply with the "Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies," Publication 1075, published by the Secretary of the Treasury and available at the following Internal Revenue Service (IRS) website: <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p1075.pdf>. This IRS Publication 1075 is incorporated by reference into this IEA.

**F. CONTRACTOR/AGENT RESPONSIBILITIES:** The State Agency will restrict access to the data obtained from SSA to only those authorized State employees, contractors, and agents who need such data to perform their official duties in connection with purposes identified in this IEA. At SSA's request, the State Agency will obtain from each of its contractors and agents a current list of the employees of its contractors and agents who have access to SSA data disclosed under this IEA. The State Agency will require its contractors, agents, and all employees of such contractors or agents with authorized access to the SSA data disclosed under this IEA, to comply with the terms and conditions set forth in this IEA, and not to duplicate, disseminate, or disclose such data without obtaining SSA's prior written approval. In addition, the State Agency will comply with the limitations on use, duplication, and redisclosure of SSA data set forth in Section IX. of the CMPPA Agreement, especially with respect to its contractors and agents.



**G. SAFEGUARDING AND REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES FOR PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION ("PII"):**

1. The State Agency will ensure that its employees, contractors, and agents:
  - a. properly safeguard PII furnished by SSA under this IEA from loss, theft or inadvertent disclosure;
  - b. understand that they are responsible for safeguarding this information at all times, regardless of whether or not the State employee, contractor, or agent is at his or her regular duty station;
  - c. ensure that laptops and other electronic devices/media containing PII are encrypted and/or password protected;
  - d. send emails containing PII only if encrypted or if to and from addresses that are secure; and
  - e. limit disclosure of the information and details relating to a PII loss only to those with a need to know.
2. If an employee of the State Agency or an employee of the State Agency's contractor or agent becomes aware of suspected or actual loss of PII, he or she must immediately contact the State Agency official responsible for Systems Security designated below or his or her delegate. That State Agency official or delegate must then notify the SSA Regional Office Contact and the SSA Systems Security Contact identified below. If, for any reason, the responsible State Agency official or delegate is unable to notify the SSA Regional Office or the SSA Systems Security Contact within 1 hour, the responsible State Agency official or delegate must call SSA's Network Customer Service Center ("NCSC") at 410-965-7777 or toll free at 1-888-772-6661 to report the actual or suspected loss. The responsible State Agency official or delegate will use the worksheet, attached as Attachment 5, to quickly gather and organize information about the incident. The responsible State Agency official or delegate must provide to SSA timely updates as any additional information about the loss of PII becomes available.
3. SSA will make the necessary contact within SSA to file a formal report in accordance with SSA procedures. SSA will notify the Department of Homeland Security's United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team if loss or potential loss of PII related to a data exchange under this IEA occurs.
4. If the State Agency experiences a loss or breach of data, it will determine whether or not to provide notice to individuals whose data has been lost or breached and bear any costs associated with the notice or any mitigation.



## H. POINTS OF CONTACT:

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- I. **DURATION:** The effective date of this IEA is January 1, 2010. This IEA will remain in effect for as long as: (1) a CMPPA Agreement governing this IEA is in effect between SSA and the State or the State Agency; and (2) the State Agency submits a certification in accordance with Section J. below at least 30 days before the expiration and renewal of such CMPPA Agreement.



**J. CERTIFICATION AND PROGRAM CHANGES:** At least 30 days before the expiration and renewal of the State CMPPA Agreement governing this IEA, the State Agency will certify in writing to SSA that: (1) it is in compliance with the terms and conditions of this IEA; (2) the data exchange processes under this IEA have been and will be conducted without change; and (3) it will, upon SSA's request, provide audit reports or other documents that demonstrate review and oversight activities. If there are substantive changes in any of the programs or data exchange processes listed in this IEA, the parties will modify the IEA in accordance with Section K. below and the State Agency will submit for SSA's approval new program questionnaires under Section C. above describing such changes prior to using SSA's data to administer such new or changed program.

**K. MODIFICATION:** Modifications to this IEA must be in writing and agreed to by the parties.

**L. TERMINATION:** The parties may terminate this IEA at any time upon mutual written consent. In addition, either party may unilaterally terminate this IEA upon 90 days advance written notice to the other party. Such unilateral termination will be effective 90 days after the date of the notice, or at a later date specified in the notice.

SSA may immediately and unilaterally suspend the data flow under this IEA, or terminate this IEA, if SSA, in its sole discretion, determines that the State Agency (including its employees, contractors, and agents) has: (1) made an unauthorized use or disclosure of SSA-supplied data; or (2) violated or failed to follow the terms and conditions of this IEA or the CMPPA Agreement.

**M. INTEGRATION:** This IEA, including all attachments, constitutes the entire agreement of the parties with respect to its subject matter. There have been no representations, warranties, or promises made outside of this IEA. This IEA shall take precedence over any other document that may be in conflict with it.

#### ATTACHMENTS

- 1 - CMPPA Agreement
- 2 - SSA Data Exchange Systems
- 3 - Systems Security Requirements for SSA Web Access to SSA Information Through ICON
- 4 - Information System Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies Receiving Electronic Information from the Social Security Administration
- 5 - PII Loss Reporting Worksheet



N. **SSA AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:** The signatory below warrants and represents that he or she has the competent authority on behalf of SSA to enter into the obligations set forth in this IEA.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION



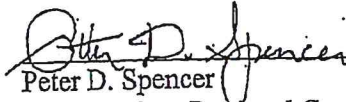
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**O. REGIONAL AND STATE AGENCY SIGNATURES:**

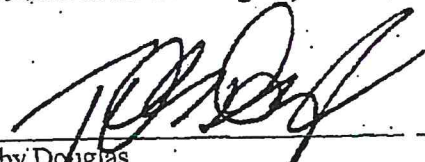
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San Francisco Regional Commissioner

10/26/09  
Date

THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES

The signatory below warrants and represents that he or she has the competent authority  
on behalf of the State Agency to enter into the obligations set forth in this IEA.

  
Toby Douglas  
Chief Deputy Director, Health Care Programs

10/11/09  
Date



**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE  
FOR  
THE INFORMATION EXCHANGE AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (SSA)  
AND  
THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES (STATE  
AGENCY)  
(State Agency Level)**

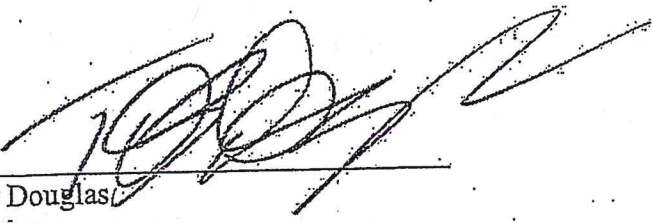
In accordance with the terms of the Information Exchange Agreement (IEA/F) between SSA and the State Agency, the State Agency, through its authorized representative, hereby certifies that, as of the date of this certification:

1. The State Agency is in compliance with the terms and conditions of the IEA/F;
2. The State Agency has conducted the data exchange processes under the IEA/F without change, except as modified in accordance with the IEA/F;
3. The State Agency will continue to conduct the data exchange processes under the IEA/F without change, except as may be modified in accordance with the IEA/F;
4. Upon SSA's request, the State Agency will provide audit reports or other documents that demonstrate compliance with the review and oversight activities required under the IEA/F and the governing Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act Agreement; and
5. In compliance with the requirements of the "Electronic Information Exchange Security Requirements, Guidelines, and Procedures for State and Local Agencies Exchanging Electronic Information with the Social Security Administration," Attachment 4 to the IEA/F, as periodically updated by SSA, the State Agency has not made any changes in the following areas that could potentially affect the security of SSA data:
  - General System Security Design and Operating Environment
  - System Access Control
  - Automated Audit Trail
  - Monitoring and Anomaly Detection
  - Management Oversight
  - Data and Communications Security

The State Agency will submit an updated Security Design Plan at least 30 days prior to making any changes to the areas listed above.

The signatory below warrants and represents that he or she is a representative of the State Agency duly authorized to make this certification on behalf of the State Agency.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES OF CALIFORNIA

  
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Toby Douglas  
Director

4/12/12  
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Date

## **ATTACHMENT 1**

### **COMPUTER MATCHING AND PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT AGRREMENT**

Model CMPPA Agreement

COMPUTER MATCHING AND PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION  
AND  
THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY  
OF CALIFORNIA

I. Purpose and Legal Authority

A. Purpose

This Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act (CMPPA) Agreement between the Social Security Administration (SSA) and the California Health and Human Services Agency (State Agency), sets forth the terms and conditions governing disclosures of records, information, or data (collectively referred to herein "data") made by SSA to the State Agency that administers federally funded benefit programs under various provisions of the Social Security Act (Act), such as section 1137 (42 U.S.C. § 1320b-7), including the state-funded state supplementary payment programs under title XVI of the Act. The terms and conditions of this Agreement ensure that SSA makes such disclosures of data, and the State Agency uses such disclosed data, in accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended by the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988, 5 U.S.C. § 552a.

Under section 1137 of the Act, the State Agency is required to use an income and eligibility verification system to administer specified federally funded benefit programs, including the state-funded state supplementary payment programs under title XVI of the Act. To assist the State Agency in determining entitlement to and eligibility for benefits under those programs, as well as other federally funded benefit programs, SSA discloses certain data about applicants for state benefits from SSA Privacy Act Systems of Records (SOR) and verifies the Social Security numbers (SSN) of the applicants.

B. Legal Authority

SSA's authority to disclose data and the State Agency's authority to collect, maintain, and use data protected under SSA SORs for specified purposes is:

- Sections 1137, 453, and 1106(b) of the Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 1320b-7, 653, and 1306(b)) (income and eligibility verification data);
- 26 U.S.C. § 6103(l)(7) and (8) (tax return data);
- Section 202(x)(3)(B)(iv) of the Act (42 U.S.C. § 401(x)(3)(B)(iv)) (prisoner data);
- Section 1611(e)(1)(I)(iii) of the Act (42 U.S.C. § 1382(e)(1)(I)(iii)) (SSI);

- Section 205(r)(3) of the Act (42 U.S.C. § 405(r)(3)) and the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004, Pub. L. 108-458, § 7213(a)(2) (death data);
- Sections 402, 412, 421, and 435 of Pub. L. 104-193 (8 U.S.C. §§ 1612, 1622, 1631, and 1645) (quarters of coverage data);
- Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009, Pub. L. 111-3 (citizenship data); and
- Routine use exception to the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(b)(3) (data necessary to administer other programs compatible with SSA programs).

This Agreement further carries out section 1106(a) of the Act (42 U.S.C. § 1306), the regulations promulgated pursuant to that section (20 C.F.R. Part 401), the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. § 552a), as amended by the CMPPA, related Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidelines, the Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002 (FISMA) (44 U.S.C. § 3541, et seq.), and related National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) guidelines, which provide the requirements that the State Agency must follow with regard to use, treatment, and safeguarding of data.

## II. Scope

- A. The State Agency will comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Privacy Act, as amended by the CMPPA.
- B. The State Agency will execute one or more Information Exchange Agreements (IEA) with SSA, documenting additional terms and conditions applicable to those specific data exchanges, including the particular benefit programs administered by the State Agency, the data elements that will be disclosed, and the data protection requirements implemented to assist the State Agency in the administration of those programs.
- C. The State Agency will use the SSA data governed by this Agreement to determine entitlement and eligibility of individuals for one or more of the following programs:
  1. Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program under Part A of title IV of the Act;
  2. Medicaid provided under an approved State plan or an approved waiver under title XIX of the Act;
  3. State Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) under title XXI of the Act, as amended by the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009;
  4. Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) under the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. § 2011, et seq.);

5. Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC) under the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. § 1771, et seq.);
  6. Medicare Savings Programs (MSP) under 42 U.S.C. § 1396a(10)(E);
  7. Unemployment Compensation programs provided under a state law described in section 3304 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954;
  8. Low Income Heating and Energy Assistance (LIHEAP or home energy grants) program under 42 U.S.C. § 8621;
  9. State-administered supplementary payments of the type described in section 1616(a) of the Act;
  10. Programs under a plan approved under titles I, X, XIV or XVI of the Act;
  11. Foster Care and Adoption Assistance under title IV of the Act;
  12. Child Support Enforcement programs under section 453 of the Act (42 U.S.C. § 653);
  13. Other applicable federally funded programs administered by the State Agency under titles I, IV, X, XIV, XVI, XVIII, XIX, XX and XXI of the Act; and
  14. Any other federally funded programs administered by the State Agency that are compatible with SSA's programs.
- D. The State Agency will ensure that SSA data disclosed for the specific purpose of administering a particular federally funded benefit program is used only to administer that program.

### III. Justification and Expected Results

#### A. Justification

This Agreement and related data exchanges with the State Agency are necessary for SSA to assist the State Agency in its administration of federally funded benefit programs by providing the data required to accurately determine entitlement and eligibility of individuals for benefits provided under these programs. SSA uses computer technology to transfer the data because it is more economical, efficient, and faster than using manual processes.

#### B. Expected Results

The State Agency will use the data provided by SSA to improve public service and program efficiency and integrity. The use of SSA data expedites the application process and ensures that benefits are awarded only to applicants that satisfy the State Agency's program criteria. A cost-benefit analysis for the exchange made under this Agreement is not required in accordance with the determination by the SSA Data Integrity Board (DIB) to waive such analysis pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552a(u)(4)(B).

#### IV. Record Description

##### A. Systems of Records

SSA SORs used for purposes of the subject data exchanges include:

- 60-0058 -- Master Files of SSN Holders and SSN Applications (accessible through EVS, SVES, or Quarters of Coverage Query data systems);
- 60-0059 -- Earnings Recording and Self-Employment Income System (accessible through BENDEX, SVES, or Quarters of Coverage Query data systems);
- 60-0090 -- Master Beneficiary Record (accessible through BENDEX or SVES data systems);
- 60-0103 -- Supplemental Security Income Record (SSR) and Special Veterans Benefits (SVB) (accessible through SDX or SVES data systems);
- 60-0269 -- Prisoner Update Processing System (PUPS) (accessible through SVES or Prisoner Query data systems);
- 60-0321 -- Medicare Part D and Part D Subsidy File

The State Agency will only use the tax return data contained in SOR 60-0059 (Earnings Recording and Self-Employment Income System) in accordance with 26 U.S.C. § 6103.

##### B. Data Elements

Data elements disclosed in computer matching governed by this Agreement are Personally Identifiable Information (PII) from specified SSA SORs, including names, SSNs, addresses, amounts, and other information related to SSA benefits, and earnings information. Specific listings of data elements are available at:

<http://www.ssa.gov/gix/>

##### C. Number of Records Involved

The number of records for each program covered under this Agreement is equal to the number of title II, title XVI, or title XVIII recipients resident in the State as recorded in SSA's Annual Statistical Supplement found on the Internet at:

<http://www.ssa.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/>

This number will fluctuate during the term of this Agreement, corresponding to the number of title II, title XVI, and title XVIII recipients added to, or deleted from, SSA databases during the term of this Agreement.

**V. Notice and Opportunity to Contest Procedures**

**A. Notice to Applicants**

The State Agency will notify all individuals who apply for federally funded, state-administered benefits under the Act that any data they provide are subject to verification through computer matching with SSA. The State Agency and SSA will provide such notice through appropriate language printed on application forms or separate handouts.

**B. Notice to Beneficiaries/Recipients/Annuitants**

The State Agency will provide notice to beneficiaries, recipients, and annuitants under the programs covered by this Agreement informing them of ongoing computer matching with SSA. SSA will provide such notice through publication in the Federal Register and periodic mailings to all beneficiaries, recipients, and annuitants describing SSA's matching activities.

**C. Opportunity to Contest**

The State Agency will not terminate, suspend, reduce, deny, or take other adverse action against an applicant for or recipient of federally funded, state-administered benefits based on data disclosed by SSA from its SORs until the individual is notified in writing of the potential adverse action and provided an opportunity to contest the planned action. "Adverse action" means any action that results in a termination, suspension, reduction, or final denial of eligibility, payment, or benefit. Such notices will:

1. Inform the individual of the match findings and the opportunity to contest these findings;
2. Give the individual until the expiration of any time period established for the relevant program by a statute or regulation for the individual to respond to the notice. If no such time period is established by a statute or regulation for the program, a 30-day period will be provided. The time period begins on the date on which notice is mailed or otherwise provided to the individual to respond; and
3. Clearly state that, unless the individual responds to the notice in the required time period, the State Agency will conclude that the SSA data are correct and will effectuate the threatened action or otherwise make the necessary adjustment to the individual's benefit or entitlement.

## VI. Records Accuracy Assessment and Verification Procedures

The State Agency may use SSA's benefit data without independent verification. SSA has independently assessed the accuracy of its benefits data to be more than 99 percent accurate when they are created.

Prisoner and death data, some of which is not independently verified by SSA, does not have the same degree of accuracy as SSA's benefit data. Therefore, the State Agency must independently verify these data through applicable State verification procedures and the notice and opportunity to contest procedures specified in Section V of this Agreement before taking any adverse action against any individual.

SSA's citizenship data may be less than 50 percent current. Applicants for SSNs report their citizenship status at the time they apply for their SSNs. There is no obligation for an individual to report to SSA a change in his or her immigration status until he or she files a claim for benefits.

## VII. Disposition and Records Retention of Matched Items

- A. The State Agency will retain all data received from SSA to administer programs governed by this Agreement only for the required processing times for the applicable federally funded benefit programs and will then destroy all such data.
- B. The State Agency may retain SSA data in hardcopy to meet evidentiary requirements, provided that they retire such data in accordance with applicable state laws governing the State Agency's retention of records.
- C. The State Agency may use any accretions, deletions, or changes to the SSA data governed by this Agreement to update their master files of federally funded, state-administered benefit program applicants and recipients and retain such master files in accordance with applicable state laws governing the State Agency's retention of records.
- D. The State Agency may not create separate files or records comprised solely of the data provided by SSA to administer programs governed by this Agreement.
- E. SSA will delete electronic data input files received from the State Agency after it processes the applicable match. SSA will retire its data in accordance with the Federal Records Retention Schedule (44 U.S.C. § 3303a).

## VIII. Security Procedures

The State Agency will comply with the security and safeguarding requirements of the Privacy Act, as amended by the CMPPA, related OMB guidelines, FISMA, related

NIST guidelines, and the current revision of IRS Publication 1075, *Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies and Entities*, available at <http://www.irs.gov>. In addition, the State Agency will have in place administrative, technical, and physical safeguards for the matched data and results of such matches. Additional administrative, technical, and physical security requirements governing all data SSA provides electronically to the State Agency, including specific guidance on safeguarding and reporting responsibilities for PII, are set forth in the IEAs.

#### **IX. Records Usage, Duplication, and Redisclosure Restrictions**

- A. The State Agency will use and access SSA data and the records created using that data only for the purpose of verifying eligibility for the specific federally funded benefit programs identified in the IEA.
- B. The State Agency will comply with the following limitations on use, duplication, and redisclosure of SSA data:
  - 1. The State Agency will not use or redisclose the data disclosed by SSA for any purpose other than to determine eligibility for, or the amount of, benefits under the state-administered income/health maintenance programs identified in this Agreement.
  - 2. The State Agency will not use the data disclosed by SSA to extract information concerning individuals who are neither applicants for, nor recipients of, benefits under the state-administered income/health maintenance programs identified in this Agreement.
  - 3. The State Agency will use the Federal tax information (FTI) disclosed by SSA only to determine individual eligibility for, or the amount of, assistance under a state plan pursuant to section 1137 programs and child support enforcement programs in accordance with 26 U.S.C. § 6103(l)(7) and (8). The State Agency receiving FTI will maintain all FTI from IRS in accordance with 26 U.S.C. § 6103(p)(4) and the IRS Publication 1075. Contractors and agents acting on behalf of the State Agency will only have access to tax return data where specifically authorized by 26 U.S.C. § 6103 and the IRS Publication 1075.
  - 4. The State Agency will use the citizenship status data disclosed by SSA under the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009, Pub. L. 111-3, only for the purpose of determining entitlement to Medicaid and CHIP programs for new applicants.
  - 5. The State Agency will restrict access to the data disclosed by SSA to only those authorized State employees, contractors, and agents who need such data

to perform their official duties in connection with the purposes identified in this Agreement.

6. The State Agency will enter into a written agreement with each of its contractors and agents who need SSA data to perform their official duties whereby such contractor or agent agrees to abide by all relevant Federal laws, restrictions on access, use, and disclosure, and security requirements in this Agreement. The State Agency will provide its contractors and agents with copies of this Agreement, related IEAs, and all related attachments before initial disclosure of SSA data to such contractors and agents. Prior to signing this Agreement, and thereafter at SSA's request, the State Agency will obtain from its contractors and agents a current list of the employees of such contractors and agents with access to SSA data and provide such lists to SSA.
  7. The State Agency's employees, contractors, and agents who access, use, or disclose SSA data in a manner or purpose not authorized by this Agreement may be subject to civil and criminal sanctions pursuant to applicable Federal statutes.
- C. The State Agency will not duplicate in a separate file or disseminate, without prior written permission from SSA, the data governed by this Agreement for any purpose other than to determine entitlement to, or eligibility for, federally funded benefits. The State Agency proposing the redisclosure must specify in writing to SSA what data are being disclosed, to whom, and the reasons that justify the redisclosure. SSA will not give permission for such redisclosure unless the redisclosure is required by law or essential to the conduct of the matching program and authorized under a routine use.

#### **X. Comptroller General Access**

The Comptroller General (the Government Accountability Office) may have access to all records of the State Agency that the Comptroller General deems necessary to monitor and verify compliance with this Agreement in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552a(o)(1)(K).

#### **XI. Duration, Modification, and Termination of the Agreement**

##### **A. Duration**

1. This Agreement is effective from July 1, 2012 (Effective Date) through December 31, 2013 (Expiration Date).
2. In accordance with the CMPPA, SSA will: (a) publish a Computer Matching Notice in the Federal Register at least 30 days prior to the

Effective Date; (b) send required notices to the Congressional committees of jurisdiction under 5 U.S.C. § 552a(o)(2)(A)(i) at least 40 days prior to the Effective Date; and (c) send the required report to the OMB at least 40 days prior to the Effective Date.

3. Within 3 months prior the Expiration Date, the SSA DIB may, without additional review, renew this Agreement for a period not to exceed 12 months, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552a(o)(2)(D), if:
  - the applicable data exchange will continue without any change; and
  - SSA and the State Agency certify to the DIB in writing that the applicable data exchange has been conducted in compliance with this Agreement.
4. If either SSA or the State Agency does not wish to renew this Agreement, it must notify the other party of its intent not to renew at least 3 months prior to the Expiration Date.

#### B. Modification

Any modification to this Agreement must be in writing, signed by both parties, and approved by the SSA DIB.

#### C. Termination

The parties may terminate this Agreement at any time upon mutual written consent of both parties. Either party may unilaterally terminate this Agreement upon 90 days advance written notice to the other party; such unilateral termination will be effective 90 days after the date of the notice, or at a later date specified in the notice.

SSA may immediately and unilaterally suspend the data flow or terminate this Agreement if SSA determines, in its sole discretion, that the State Agency has violated or failed to comply with this Agreement.

### XII. Reimbursement

In accordance with section 1106(b) of the Act, the Commissioner of SSA has determined not to charge the State Agency the costs of furnishing the electronic data from the SSA SORs under this Agreement.

**XIII. Disclaimer**

SSA is not liable for any damages or loss resulting from errors in the data provided to the State Agency under any IEAs governed by this Agreement. Furthermore, SSA is not liable for any damages or loss resulting from the destruction of any materials or data provided by the State Agency.

**XIV. Points of Contact**

**A. SSA Point of Contact**

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**XV. SSA and Data Integrity Board Approval of Model CMPPA Agreement**

The signatories below warrant and represent that they have the competent authority on behalf of SSA to approve the model of this CMPPA Agreement.

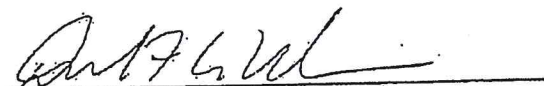
**SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION**



Dawn S. Wiggins  
Deputy Executive Director  
Office of Privacy and Disclosure  
Office of the General Counsel

1-17-2012  
Date

I certify that the SSA Data Integrity Board approved the model of this CMPPA Agreement.



Daniel F. Callahan  
Chair  
SSA Data Integrity Board

1-26-2012  
Date

**XVI. Authorized Signatures**

The signatories below warrant and represent that they have the competent authority on behalf of their respective agencies to enter into the obligations set forth in this Agreement.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

*Patty Rolund*

*for* Bill Ziellinski  
Regional Commissioner  
San Francisco

*05/10/2012*

Date

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

*Diana S. Dooley*

Diana S. Dooley  
Secretary

*April 27, 2012*

Date

## **ATTACHMENT 2**

### **AUTHORIZED DATA EXCHANGE SYSTEM(S)**

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Attachment 2

Authorized Data Exchange System(s)

**BEER (Beneficiary Earnings Exchange Record):** Employer data for the last calendar year.

**BENDEX (Beneficiary and Earnings Data Exchange):** Primary source for Title II eligibility, benefit and demographic data.

**LIS (Low-Income Subsidy):** Data from the Low-Income Subsidy Application for Medicare Part D beneficiaries -- used for Medicare Savings Programs (MSP).

**Medicare 1144 (Outreach):** Lists of individuals on SSA roles, who may be eligible for medical assistance for: payment of the cost of Medicare cost-sharing under the Medicaid program pursuant to Sections 1902(a)(10)(E) and 1933 of the Act; transitional assistance under Section 1860D-31(f) of the Act; or premiums and cost-sharing subsidies for low-income individuals under Section 1860D-14 of the Act.

**PUPS (Prisoner Update Processing System):** Confinement data received from over 2000 state and local institutions (such as jails, prisons, or other penal institutions or correctional facilities) -- PUPS matches the received data with the MBR and SSR benefit data and generates alerts for review/action.

**QUARTERS OF COVERAGE (QC):** Quarters of Coverage data as assigned and described under Title II of the Act -- The term "quarters of coverage" is also referred to as "credits" or "Social Security credits" in various SSA public information documents, as well as to refer to "qualifying quarters" to determine entitlement to receive Food Stamps.

**SDX (SSI State Data Exchange):** Primary source of Title XVI eligibility, benefit and demographic data as well as data for Title VIII Special Veterans Benefits (SVB).

**SOLQ/SOLQ-I (State On-line Query/State On-line Query-Internet):** A real-time online system that provides SSN verification and MBR and SSR benefit data similar to data provided through SVES.

**Attachment 2**

**SVES (State Verification and Exchange System):** A batch system that provides SSN verification, MBR benefit information, and SSR information through a uniform data response based on authorized user-initiated queries. The SVES types are divided into five different responses as follows:

<b>SVES I:</b>	This batch provides strictly SSN verification.
<b>SVES I/Citizenship*</b>	This batch provides strictly SSN verification and citizenship data.
<b>SVES II:</b>	This batch provides strictly SSN verification and MBR benefit information
<b>SVES III:</b>	This batch provides strictly SSN verification and SSR/SVB.
<b>SVES IV:</b>	This batch provides SSN verification, MBR benefit information, and SSR/SVB information, which represents all available SVES data.

*\* Citizenship status data disclosed by SSA under the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009, Pub. L. 111-3 is only for the purpose of determining entitlement to Medicaid and CHIP program for new applicants.*



**ATTACHMENT 3 OMITTED**

**ATTACHMENT 4**

**ELECTRONIC INFORMATION EXCHANGE SECURITY  
REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES**

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**ELECTRONIC INFORMATION EXCHANGE  
SECURITY REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES  
FOR  
STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES  
EXCHANGING ELECTRONIC INFORMATION WITH THE  
SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION**

**SENSITIVE DOCUMENT**

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**ELECTRONIC INFORMATION EXCHANGE  
SECURITY REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES  
FOR  
STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES  
EXCHANGING ELECTRONIC INFORMATION WITH THE  
SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION**

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**1. Introduction 1**

The Social Security Administration (SSA) is required by law to maintain oversight and assure the protection of information it has provided to its *'electronic information exchange partners'* (EIEP)s. EIEPs are entities that have established an electronic information sharing agreement with the agency.

The overall aim of this document is twofold. First, to ensure that EIEPs are properly certified as compliant by SSA to SSA security requirements, standards, and procedures expressed in this document, prior to being granted access to SSA information in a production environment; second, to ensure that EIEPs adequately safeguard electronic information provided to them by SSA.

This document (which is considered SENSITIVE by SSA and must be handled accordingly), describes the security requirements which must be met including, SSA's standards and procedures which must be implemented by outside entities (state and local agencies) in order to obtain information from SSA electronically. This document assists outside entities in understanding the criteria that SSA will use when evaluating and certifying the system design, and security features used for electronic access to SSA-provided information. It also provides the framework and general procedures for SSA's security compliance review program intended to ensure, on a periodic basis, conformance to SSA's security requirements by outside entities.

The addition, elimination, and modification of security controls, etc. are predicated upon factors which impact the level of security and due diligence required for mitigating risks, e.g., the emergence of new threats and attack methods, the availability of new security technologies, etc. System security requirements (SSR) are, therefore, periodically reviewed and revised. Accordingly, over time, the SSRs may be subject to change.

The EIEP must comply with SSA's most current SSRs for access to SSA-provided data. However, SSA will work with its partners in the EIEPs' resolution of any deficiencies which occur subsequent to previous approval for access as the result of updated SSRs. Additionally, EIEPs may proactively ensure their ongoing compliance with the SSRs by periodically requesting the most current SSR package from their SSA contact and making such adjustments as may be necessary.

**2. Electronic Information Exchange (EIE) Definition 1**

For discussion purposes herein, EIE is any electronic process in which information under SSA control is disclosed to any third party for program or non-program purposes, without the specific consent of the owner of that information. EIE involves individual data transactions and data files that are processed within the programmatic systems of either or all parties to electronic information sharing agreements with SSA. This includes direct terminal access (DTA) to SSA systems, batch processing, and variations thereof (e.g., online query) regardless of the systematic method used to accomplish the activity or to interconnect SSA with the EIEP.

### 3. Roles and Responsibilities

The SSA **Office of Information Security (OIS)** has agency-wide responsibility for interpreting, developing, and implementing security policy; providing security and integrity review requirements for all major SSA systems; managing SSA's fraud monitoring and reporting activities, developing and disseminating security training and awareness materials, and providing consultation and support for a variety of agency initiatives. SSA's security reviews ensure that external systems receiving information from SSA are secure and operate in a manner that is consistent with SSA's Information Technology (IT) security policies and in compliance with the terms of electronic information sharing agreements executed by SSA and the outside entity. Within the context of SSA's security policies and the terms of electronic information sharing agreements with SSA's EIEPs, OIS exclusively conducts and brings to closure initial security certifications and periodic security compliance reviews of EIEPs that process, maintain, transmit, or store SSA-provided data in accordance with pertinent Federal requirements which include the following (refer to **References**):

- a. The Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) requires the protection of "Federal information in contractor systems, including those systems operated by state and local governments".
- b. Social Security Administration (SSA) policies, standards, procedures, and directives.

Privacy information is information about an individual including, but not limited to, personal identifying information including the social security number (SSN).

The data (last 4 digits of the SSN) provided by SSA to its EIEPs for purposes of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) does not identify a specific individual and, therefore, is not 'Privacy Information' as defined by the Act.

However, SSA is diligent in discharging its responsibility for establishing appropriate administrative, technical, and physical safeguards to ensure the security, confidentiality, and availability of its records and to protect against any anticipated threats or hazards to their security or integrity.

Therefore, although the information provided HAVA is not, by definition, 'Privacy Information' and as such, does not require that SSA conduct compliance reviews of entities to which it provides information for purposes of HAVA; SSA does require that those organizations adhere to the terms of their electronic information sharing agreements with SSA.

SSA regional **Data Exchange Coordinators (DECs)** are the bridge between SSA and state EIEPs. As such, in the security arena, DECs will assist OIS in coordinating data exchange security review activities with state and local EIEPs; e.g., providing points of contact with state agencies, assisting in setting up security reviews, etc. DECs are also the first points of contact for states if an employee of a state agency or an employee of a state agency's contractor or agent becomes aware of suspected or actual loss of SSA-provided personally identifiable information (PII).

### 4. General Systems Security Standards

EIEPs that request and receive information electronically from SSA must comply with the following general systems security standards concerning access to and control of SSA-provided information.

**NOTE: EIEPs may not create separate files or records comprised solely of the information provided by SSA.**

- a. EIEPs must ensure that means, methods, and technology by which SSA-provided information is processed, maintained, transmitted, or stored neither prevent nor impede the EIEP's ability to:
- safeguard the information in conformance to SSA requirements;
  - efficiently investigate fraud, breach, or security events that involve SSA-provided data, or instances of misuse of SSA-provided data.

For example, utilization of cloud computing may have the potential to jeopardize an EIEP's compliance with the terms of their agreement or SSA's associated system security requirements and procedures.

- b. EIEPs must ensure that SSA-provided data is not processed, maintained, transmitted, or stored in or by means of data communications channels, electronic devices, computers, computer networks, etc. that are located in geographic or virtual areas **not** subject to U.S. law.
- c. EIEPs must restrict access to the information to authorized users who need it to perform their official duties.

**NOTE: Contractors and agents (hereafter referred to as contractors) of the EIEP who process, maintain, transmit, or store SSA-provided data are held to the same security requirements as are employees of the EIEP. Refer to the section 'Contractors of Electronic Information Exchange Partners' in the 'Systems Security Requirements' for additional information.**

- d. Information received from SSA must be stored in a manner that, at all times, is physically and electronically secure from access by unauthorized persons.
- e. SSA-provided information must be processed under the immediate supervision and control of authorized personnel.
- f. EIEPs must employ both physical and technological safeguards to ensure against unauthorized retrieval of SSA-provided information by means of computer, remote terminal, or other means.
- g. EIEPs must have in place formal PII incident response procedures. When faced with a security incident whether caused by malware, unauthorized access, software issues, or acts of nature, etc., EIEP must be able to respond in a manner that protects SSA-provided information affected by the incident.
- h. EIEPs must have an active and robust employee security awareness program that is mandatory for all employees who may have access to SSA-provided information.
- i. EIEP employees with access to SSA provided information must be advised of the confidentiality of the information, the safeguards required to protect the information, and the civil and criminal sanctions for non-compliance contained in the applicable Federal and state laws.
- j. At its discretion, SSA or its designee, must have the option to conduct onsite security reviews or make other provisions, to ensure that EIEPs maintain adequate security controls to safeguard the information we provide.

## 5. Systems Security Requirements Q

### 5.1 Overview Q

Following is a discussion of SSA's security requirements that must be met by its EIEPs. SSA must certify that controls to meet the requirements have been implemented and working as intended, before it will authorize initiating transactions to and from SSA through batch data exchange processes or online processes such as State Online Query (SOLO) or Internet SOLO.

The Systems Security Requirements (SSR)s address management, operational, and technical aspects of security regarding the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of Social Security Administration (SSA) provided information used, maintained, transmitted, or stored by SSA's EIEPs.

SSRs are representative of the current state-of-the-practice security controls, safeguards, and countermeasures required for Federal information systems by Federal regulations and statutes, congressional mandates, etc., including but not limited to the Privacy Act of 1974, the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA), etc. and recommended by standards and guidelines established by NIST, etc.

### 5.2 General System Security Design and Operating Environment Q

The EIEP must provide descriptions and explanations of their overall system design, configuration, security features, and operational environment and include discussions of how they conform to SSA's requirements. Discussion must also include:

- Description of the operating environment(s) in which SSA-provided data is to be utilized, maintained, and transmitted
- Description of the business process(es) in which SSA-provided information is to be used
- Physical safeguards employed to ensure that unauthorized personnel cannot access SSA-provided data and that audit information pertaining to use of and access to SSA-provided information and the EIEP's associated applications is readily available
- Electronic safeguards, methods, and procedures for protecting the EIEP's network infrastructure and for protecting SSA-provided data while in transit, in use within a process or application, at rest (stored or not in use); preventing unauthorized retrieval of SSA-provided information by computer, remote terminal, or other means; including descriptions of security software other than access control software (e.g., security patch and anti-malware software installation and maintenance, etc.).

### 5.3 System Access Control Q

EIEPs must utilize and maintain technological (logical) access controls that limit access to SSA-provided information and associated transactions and functions to only those users, processes acting on behalf of authorized users, or devices (including other information systems) authorized for such access based on their official duties or purpose(s). EIEPs must employ a recognized user access security software package (e.g. RAC-F, ACF-2, TOP SECRET) or a security software design which is *at minimum* equivalent to such products. The access control software must utilize personal identification numbers (PIN) and passwords or

biometric identifiers in combination with the user's system identification code (userID), etc. (e.g., the access control software must employ and enforce (1) *PIN/password*, and/or (2) *PIN/biometric identifier*, and/or (3) *SmartCard/ biometric identifier*, etc., for authentication of users).

Depending upon the computing platform (e.g., client/server (PC), mainframe) and the access software implementation, the terms "PIN" and "user system identification code (userID)" may be, for practical purposes, synonymous. For example, the PIN/password combination may be required for access to an individual's PC after which, the userID/password combination may be required for access to a mainframe application. (A biometric identifier may supplant one element in the pair of those combinations).

Implementation of the control software must be in compliance with recognized industry standards. For example, password policies should enforce sufficient construction strength (length and complexity) to defeat or minimize risk-based identified vulnerabilities, ensure limitations for password repetition; technical controls should enforce periodic password changes based on a risk-based standard (e.g., maximum password age of 30 - 45 days, minimum password age of 3 - 7 days), enforce automatic disabling of user accounts that have been inactive for a specified period of time (e.g., 45 days); etc.

EIEPs must have management control and oversight of the function of authorizing individual user access to SSA-provided information and over the process of issuing and managing access control PINs, passwords, biometric identifiers, etc. for access to the EIEP's system.

The EIEPs' systems access rules must cover such matters as least privilege and individual accountability regarding access to sensitive information and associated transactions and functions, control of transactions by permissions modules, the assignment and limitation of system privileges, disabling accounts of separated employees (e.g., within 24 hours), individual accountability, work at home, dial-up access, and connecting to the Internet.

#### 5.4 Automated Audit Trail

EIEPs that receive information electronically from SSA are required to implement and maintain a fully automated audit trail system (ATS). The system must, at a minimum, be capable of creating, storing, protecting, and efficiently retrieving and collecting records identifying the individual user that initiates a request for information from SSA or accesses SSA-provided data. At a minimum, individual audit trail records must contain the data needed (including date and time stamps) to associate each query transaction or access to SSA-provided information with its initiator, their action, if any, and the relevant business purpose/process (e.g., SSN verification for driver license, etc.). Each entry in the audit file must be stored as a separate record, not overlaid by subsequent records. Transaction files must be created to capture all input from interactive Internet applications which access or query SSA-provided data.

EIEPs whose transactions with SSA are mediated AND audited by an STC (e.g., State Transmission Component) are responsible for ensuring that the STC's audit capabilities meet SSA's requirements for an automated audit trail system. The EIEP must also establish a process by which the EIEP is able to efficiently obtain audit information from the STC regarding the EIEP's SSA transactions.

Access to the audit file must be restricted to authorized users with a "need to know" and audit file data must be unalterable (read only) and maintained for a minimum of three (preferably seven) years. Information in the audit file must be retrievable by an automated method and capable of being made available to SSA upon request. Audit trail records must be backed up

on a regular basis to ensure their availability. Backup audit files must have the same level of protection as that applied to the original files.

If SSA-provided information is retained by the EIEP (e.g., Access database, Share Point, etc.), or if certain data elements within the EIEP's system will indicate to users that the information has been verified by SSA, the EIEP's system must also capture an audit trail record of any user who views SSA-provided information stored within the EIEP's system. The audit trail requirements for these inquiry transactions are the same as those outlined above for the EIEP's transactions requesting or accessing information directly from SSA.

### 5.5 Personally Identifiable Information (PII)

**PII** is defined as any information which can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, such as their name, social security number, biometric records, etc., alone or when combined with other personal or identifying information which is linked or linkable to a specific individual, such as date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, etc.

**PII loss** is defined as a circumstance wherein SSA has reason to believe that information on hard copy or in electronic format which contains PII provided by SSA to an EIEP, has left the EIEP's custody or has been disclosed by the EIEP to an unauthorized individual or entity. PII loss is a reportable incident (refer to **Incident Reporting**).

If a PII loss involving SSA-provided data occurs or is suspected, the EIEP must be able to quantify the extent of the loss and compile a complete list of the individuals potentially affected incident (refer to **Incident Reporting**).

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### 5.6 Monitoring and Anomaly Detection

The EIEP must establish and/or maintain continuous monitoring of its network infrastructure and assets to ensure that:

- implemented security controls continue to be effective over time
- only authorized individuals, devices, and processes have access to SSA-provided information
- efforts by external and internal entities, devices, or processes to perform unauthorized actions (i.e., data breaches, malicious attacks, access to network assets, software/hardware installations, etc.) are detected as soon as they occur
- the necessary parties are immediately alerted to unauthorized actions performed by external and internal entities, devices, or processes
- upon detection of unauthorized actions, measures are immediately initiated to prevent or mitigate associated risk
- in the event of a data breach or security incident, the necessary remedial actions can be efficiently determined and initiated
- trends, patterns, or anomalous occurrences and behavior in user or network activity that may be indicative of potential security issues are more readily discernable

The EIEP's system must include the capability to prevent employees from browsing SSA records (e.g., utilize a permission module and/or employ a system design which is transaction-driven, whereby employees are unable to initiate transactions). If such a design is used, the EIEP then needs only minimal additional monitoring and anomaly detection (detect and monitor employees' attempts to gain access to SSA-provided data to which they are not authorized and attempts to obtain information from SSA for clients not in the EIEP's client system). However, measures must exist to prevent circumvention of the permission module (e.g., creation of a bogus case and subsequently deleting it in such a way that it goes undetected).

If the EIEP's design does not **currently** utilize a permission module **and** is not transaction-driven, until at least one of these security features is implemented, the EIEP must develop and implement compensating security controls to deter their employees from browsing SSA records. These controls must include monitoring and anomaly detection features, either systematic, manual, or a combination thereof. Such features must include the capability to detect anomalies in the volume and/or type of transactions or queries requested or initiated by individuals and include systematic or manual procedures for verifying that requests for and queries of SSA-provided information are in compliance with valid official business purposes. The system must also produce reports providing management and/or supervisors with the capability to appropriately monitor user activity, such as:

- User ID Exception Reports:

This type of report captures information about users who enter incorrect user IDs when attempting to gain access to the system or to the transaction that initiates requests for information from SSA, including failed attempts to enter a password.

- Inquiry Match Exception Reports:

This type of report captures information about users who may be initiating transactions for SSNs that have no client case association within the EIEP's system **(100 percent of these cases must be reviewed by the EIEP's management)**.

- System Error Exception Reports:

This type of report captures information about users who may not understand or be following proper procedures for access to SSA-provided information.

- Inquiry Activity Statistical Reports:

This type of report captures information about transaction usage patterns among authorized users and is a tool which would enable the EIEP's management to monitor typical usage patterns in contrast to extraordinary usage.

The EIEP must have a process for distributing these monitoring and exception reports to appropriate local managers/supervisors or to local security officers to ensure that the reports are used by those whose responsibilities include monitoring anomalous activity of users including those who have been granted exceptional system rights and privileges.

## 5.7 Management Oversight and Quality Assurance

The EIEP must establish and/or maintain ongoing management oversight and quality assurance capabilities to ensure that only authorized employees have access to SSA-provided information and to ensure that there is ongoing compliance with the terms of the EIEP's

electronic information sharing agreement with SSA and the SSRs established by SSA for access to and use of SSA-provided data by EIEPs. The management oversight function must consist of one or more of the EIEP's management officials whose job functions include responsibility for assuring that access to and use of SSA-provided information is appropriate for each employee position type for which access is granted.

The EIEP must assure that employees granted access to SSA-provided information receive adequate training on the sensitivity of the information, associated safeguards, procedures that must be followed and the penalties for misuse.

Although not required, it is recommended that EIEPs establish the following functions and require that they be performed by employees whose job functions are separate from those who request or use information from SSA:

- Performing periodic self-reviews to monitor the EIEP's ongoing usage of SSA-provided information.
- Random sampling of work activity involving SSA-provided information to determine whether the access and usage comply with SSA's requirements.

## **5.8 Data and Communications Security**

EIEPs must encrypt all PII and SSA-provided information when it is transmitted across dedicated communications circuits between its systems, included in intrastate communications among its local office locations, and resident on the EIEP's mobile computers/devices and removable media, etc. The encryption method employed must meet acceptable standards as designated by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). The recommended encryption method for securing SSA-provided data during transport is the Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) or triple DES (Data Encryption Standard 3) if AES is unavailable. Files encrypted for external users (when using tools such as Microsoft WORD encryption, etc.) require a key length of 9 characters. Although not required, it is recommended that the key (also referred to as a *password*) contain both a number and a special character. However, it is required that the key be delivered in a manner wherein the key does not accompany the media. Also, the key must be secured when unattended or not in use.

It is recommended that the public Internet not be used for transmission of SSA-provided information. If it is, however, Internet and all other electronic communications (e.g., emails and FAXes) containing SSA-provided information must, at minimum, utilize Secure Socket Layer (SSL) and 256-bit encryption protocols or more secure methods such as Virtual Private Network technology. Additionally, the data must be transmitted only to a secure address or device.

EIEPs may retain SSA-provided data for only the business purpose(s) and period of time stipulated in the EIEP's Information Exchange Agreement with SSA. SSA-provided information is to be deleted, purged, destroyed, or returned to SSA when the purpose for which the information was obtained has been completed.

The EIEP may not save or create separate files comprised solely of information provided by SSA. The EIEP may, however, apply specific SSA-provided data to the EIEP's matched record (i.e., specified data obtained from SSA which matches that in the EIEP's preexisting record).

Duplication and redisclosure of SSA-provided information within or outside the EIEP without the written approval of SSA is prohibited.

EIEPs must prevent unauthorized disclosure of SSA-provided data after processing has been completed and also after the data is no longer required by the EIEP. The EIEP's operational processes must ensure that no residual SSA-provided data remains on the hard drives of users' workstations after the user has exited the application(s) in which SSA-provided data was utilized. In cases where a PC, hard drive, or other computing or storage device on which SSA-provided information resided will be sent offsite from the EIEP for repair and its information must be retrievable, the EIEP's repair contract must include a requirement for non-disclosure of SSA-provided data by the servicing vendor. SSA-provided information must be completely removed from, rendered unrecoverable, or destroyed on any electronic device or media (e.g., hard drives, removable storage devices, etc.) prior to the device or media being serviced by an external vendor (when the data need not be recovered), excessed, sold, or placed in the custody of another organization.

To sanitize media, one of the following methods must be used:

- **Overwriting**

Overwrite utilities can only be used on working devices. The media to be overwritten must be designed for multiple reads and writes. This includes disk drives, magnetic tapes, floppies, USB flash drives, etc. The overwrite utility must completely overwrite the media by the ***purging*** type of media sanitization to make the data irretrievable by a laboratory attack or laboratory forensic procedures (refer to ***Definitions*** for more information regarding ***Media Sanitization***). Reformatting the media does not overwrite the data.

- **Degaussing**

Degaussing is a sanitization method for magnetic media (e.g., disk drives, tapes, floppies, etc.). Degaussing is not effective for purging non-magnetic media (e.g., optical discs). Degaussing must be performed with a certified tool designed for the media being degaussed. Certification of the tool is required to ensure that the magnetic flux applied to the media is strong enough to render the information irretrievable. The degaussing process must render data on the media irretrievable by a laboratory attack or laboratory forensic procedures (refer to ***Definitions*** for more information regarding ***Media Sanitization***).

- **Physical destruction**

Physical destruction is the method which must be used when degaussing or over-writing cannot be accomplished (for example, CDs, floppies, DVDs, damaged tapes, hard drives, damaged USB flash drives, etc.). Examples of physical destruction include shredding, pulverizing, and burning.

State agencies may retain SSA-provided data in hardcopy if it is required to fulfill evidentiary requirements, provided the agencies retire such data in accordance with applicable state laws governing state agencies' retention of records. The EIEP must ensure that print media containing SSA-provided data is controlled to restrict its access to only authorized employees who need such access to perform their official duties and must have in place secure processes by which print media containing SSA-provided data is destroyed when it is no longer required. Paper documents containing SSA-provided data must be destroyed by burning, pulping, shredding, macerating, or other similar means that ensures that the information cannot be recovered.

***NOTE: Hand tearing or lining through documents to obscure information does not meet SSA's requirements for appropriate destruction of PII).***

The EIEP must employ measures to ensure that communications and data furnished to SSA contain no viruses or other malware.

### 5.9 Incident Reporting

The EIEP must develop and implement policies and procedures for responding to the breach or loss of PII and explain how they conform to SSA's requirements. The procedures must include the following information:

*If the EIEP experiences or suspects a breach or loss of PII or a security incident which includes SSA-provided data, they must notify the United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US-CERT) **within one hour** of discovering the incident. The EIEP must also notify the SSA Systems Security contact named in the agreement. If within 1 hour the EIEP has been unable to make contact with that person, the EIEP must call SSA's National Network Service Center (NNSC) toll free at 877-697-4889 (select "Security and PII Reporting" from the options list). The EIEP will provide updates as they become available to SSA contact, as appropriate. Refer to the worksheet, **Attachment 5**, provided in the agreement to facilitate gathering and organizing information about an incident.*

The EIEP must agree that if SSA determines that the risk presented by the breach or security incident requires the notification of the individuals whose information is involved and/or remedial action, the EIEP will perform those actions without cost to SSA.

### 5.10 Security Awareness and Employee Sanctions

The EIEP must establish and/or maintain an ongoing function that is responsible for providing security awareness training for employees granted access to SSA-provided information. Training must include discussion of:

- The sensitivity of SSA-provided information and address the Privacy Act and other Federal and state laws governing its use and misuse
- Rules of behavior concerning use of and security in systems processing SSA-provided data
- Restrictions on viewing and/or copying SSA-provided information
- The employees' responsibility for proper use and protection of SSA-provided information including its proper disposal
- Security incident reporting procedures
- The possible sanctions and penalties for misuse of SSA-provided information.

The EIEP must provide security awareness training periodically or, as needed, and have in place administrative procedures for sanctioning employees who violate laws governing the use and misuse of SSA-provided data through unauthorized or unlawful use or disclosure of SSA-provided information.

### 5.11 Contractors of Electronic Information Exchange Partners

As previously stated, in *The General Systems Security Standards*, contractors of the EIEP are held to the same security requirements as are employees of the EIEP. As such, the EIEP is responsible for oversight and compliance of their contractors with SSA's security requirements. The EIEP must be able to provide proof of the contractual agreement between itself and its contractors (e.g., copy of their contract, etc.) who are authorized by the EIEP to perform on its behalf and who have access to or are involved in the processing, handling, transmission, etc. of information provided to the EIEP by SSA. The EIEP must also explain the role of those contractors within the EIEP's operations.

The EIEP must also require that their contractors who will have access to or be involved in the processing, handling, transmission, etc. of information provided to the EIEP by SSA, sign an agreement with the EIEP that obligates the contractor to follow the terms of the EIEP's data exchange agreement with SSA. The EIEP must provide its contractors a copy of the data exchange agreement between the EIEP and SSA and related attachments before any disclosure by the EIEP of SSA-provided information to the EIEP's contractor/agent.

If the EIEP's contractor will be involved with the processing, handling, transmission, etc. of information provided to the EIEP by SSA offsite from the EIEP, the EIEP must have the contractual option to perform onsite reviews of that offsite facility to ensure that the following meet SSA's requirements:

- safeguards for sensitive information
- computer system safeguards
- security controls and measures to prevent, detect, and resolve unauthorized access to, use of, and redisclosure of SSA-provided information

## **6. General -- Security Certification and Compliance Review Programs**

SSA's security certification and compliance review programs are two distinct programs with the same objective. The certification program is a one-time process associated exclusively with an EIEP's initial request for electronic access to SSA-provided information or an initial change to online access. The certification process entails two rigorous stages intended to ensure that technical, management, and operational security measures implemented by EIEPs fully conform to SSA's security requirements and are working as intended. EIEPs must satisfy both stages of the certification process before SSA will permit online access to its data in a production environment.

The compliance review program, however, is intended to ensure that the suite of security measures implemented by an EIEP to safeguard SSA-provided data remains in full compliance with SSA's security standards and requirements. The compliance review program is applicable to online access to SSA-provided data as well as batch processes. Under the compliance review program, EIEPs are subject to ongoing periodic security reviews by SSA that are regularly scheduled or ad hoc.

### **6.1 The Security Certification Program**

The security certification process applies to EIEPs that seek online electronic access to SSA information and consists of two general phases:

- Phase One: The Security Design Plan (SDP) phase wherein a formal written plan is authored by the EIEP to comprehensively document its technical and non-technical

security controls to safeguard SSA-provided information (refer to **Documenting Security Controls in the Security Design Plan**).

**NOTE:** SSA may have legacy EIEPs (EIEPs not certified under the current process) who have not prepared an SDP. OIS strongly recommends that these EIEPs prepare an SDP.

**The EIEPs' preparation and maintenance of a current SDP will aid them in determining potential compliance issues prior to reviews, assuring continued compliance with SSA's security requirements, and providing for more efficient security reviews.**

- Phase 2: SSA Onsite Certification phase wherein a formal onsite review is conducted by SSA to examine the full suite of technical and non-technical security controls implemented by the EIEP to safeguard data obtained from SSA electronically (refer to **The Certification Process**).

## **6.2 Documenting Security Controls in the Security Design Plan (SDP)**

### **6.2.1 When the SDP and RA are Required**

EIEPs must submit to SSA an SDP and a security risk assessment (RA) for evaluation when one or more of the following circumstances apply. The RA must be in an electronic format and include discussion of the measures planned or implemented to mitigate risks identified by the RA and (as applicable) risks associated with the circumstances below:

- to obtain approval for requested initial access to SSA-provided information for an initial agreement
- to obtain approval to reestablish previously terminated access to SSA-provided data
- when implementing a new operating or security platform in which SSA-provided data will be involved
- significant changes to the EIEP's organizational structure, technical processes, operational environment, data recovery capabilities, or security implementations are planned or have been made since approval of their most recent SDP or of their most recent successfully completed security review
- one or more security breaches or incidents involving SSA-provided data have occurred since approval of the EIEP's most recent SDP or of their most recent successfully completed security review
- to document descriptions and explanations of measures implemented as the result of a data breach or security incident
- to document descriptions and explanations of measures implemented to resolve non-compliance issue(s)
- when approval of the SDP has been revoked

The RA may also be required if changes (other than those listed above) that may impact the terms of the EIEP's data sharing agreement with SSA have occurred.

***The SDP must be approved by SSA prior to the initiation of transactions and/or access to SSA-provided information by the EIEP.***

An SDP must satisfactorily document the EIEP's compliance with all of SSA's SSRs in order to provide the minimum level of security acceptable to SSA for its EIEPs' access to SSA-provided information.

Deficiencies identified through the evaluation of the SDP must be corrected by the EIEP and a revised SDP which incorporates descriptions and explanations of the measures implemented to eliminate the deficiencies must be submitted. Until the deficiencies have been corrected and documented in its SDP, and the SDP is approved, the EIEP will not be granted access to SSA-provided information or certified for electronic receipt of the information. The progress of corrective implementation(s) must be communicated to SSA on a regular basis. If, within a reasonable time as determined by SSA, the EIEP is unable to rectify a deficiency determined by SSA to present an untenable risk to SSA-provided information or the agency, approval of the SDP will be withheld.

If, at any time subsequent to approval of its SDP the EIEP is found to be in non-compliance with one or more SSRs, SSA may revoke approval of the EIEP's access to SSA-provided data. A revised SDP which incorporates descriptions and explanations of the measures implemented to resolve the non-compliance issue(s) must be submitted. The progress of corrective implementation(s) must be communicated to SSA on a regular basis. Until resolution of the issue(s) has been accomplished and documented in its SDP, and the SDP is approved, the EIEP will be in non-compliance with SSA's SSRs. If, within a reasonable time as determined by SSA, the EIEP is unable to rectify a deficiency determined by SSA to present an untenable risk to SSA-provided information or to SSA, approval of the SDP will be withheld and the flow of SSA-provided information to the EIEP may be discontinued.

***NOTE: EIEPs that function only as an STC, transferring SSA-provided data to other EIEPs must, per the terms of their agreements with SSA, adhere to SSA's System Security Requirements (SSR) and exercise their responsibilities regarding protection of SSA-provided information.***

### **6.3. The Certification Process**

Once the EIEP has successfully satisfied Phase 1, SSA will conduct an onsite certification review. The objective of the onsite review will be to ensure by SSA's examination and the EIEP's demonstration that the non-technical and technical controls implemented by the EIEP to safeguard Social Security-provided data from misuse and improper disclosure are fully functioning and working as intended.

At its discretion, SSA may request that the EIEP participate in an onsite review and compliance certification of their security infrastructure and implementation of SSA's security requirements.

The onsite review may address any or all of SSA's security requirements and include, where appropriate:

- a demonstration of the EIEP's implementation of each requirement
- random sampling of audit records and transactions submitted to SSA

- a walkthrough of the EIEP's data center to observe and document physical security safeguards
- a demonstration of the EIEP's implementation of electronic exchange of data with SSA
- discussions with managers/supervisors
- examination of management control procedures and reports (e.g., anomaly detection reports, etc.)
- demonstration of technical tools pertaining to user access control and, if appropriate, browsing prevention, specifically:
  - If the design is based on a permission module or similar design, or is transaction driven, the EIEP will demonstrate how the system triggers requests for information from SSA.
  - If the design is based on a permission module, the EIEP will demonstrate the process by which requests for SSA-provided information are prevented for SSNs not present in the EIEP's system (e.g., by attempting to obtain information from SSA using at least one, randomly created, fictitious number not known to the EIEP's system).

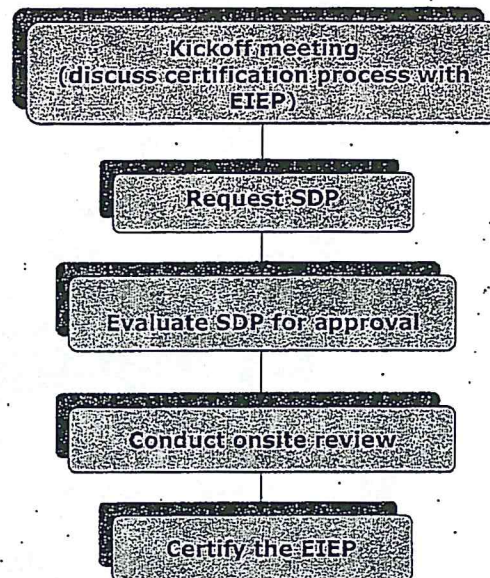
During the certification review, SSA, or a certifier acting on its behalf, may request a demonstration of the system's audit trail and retrieval capability. The certifier may request a demonstration of the system's capability for tracking the activity of employees that are permitted to view SSA-provided information within the EIEP's system. Additionally, the certifier may request those EIEPs whose transactions with SSA are mediated AND audited by an STC to demonstrate the process(es) by which the EIEP obtains audit information from the STC regarding the EIEP's SSA transactions.

EIEPs whose transactions with SSA are mediated AND audited by an STC will be required to demonstrate both their own in-house audit capabilities AND the process(es) by which the EIEP obtains audit information from the STC regarding the EIEP's transactions with SSA.

If the EIEP employs a contractor who will be involved with the processing, handling, transmission, etc. of the EIEP's SSA-provided information offsite from the EIEP, SSA, at its discretion, may include in the onsite certification review an onsite inspection of the contractor's facility. The inspection may occur with or without a representative of the EIEP.

Upon successful completion of the onsite certification exercise, SSA will authorize electronic access to production data by the EIEP. SSA will provide written notification of its certification to the EIEP as well as all appropriate internal components.


The following is a high-level flow chart of the OIS Certification Process: 

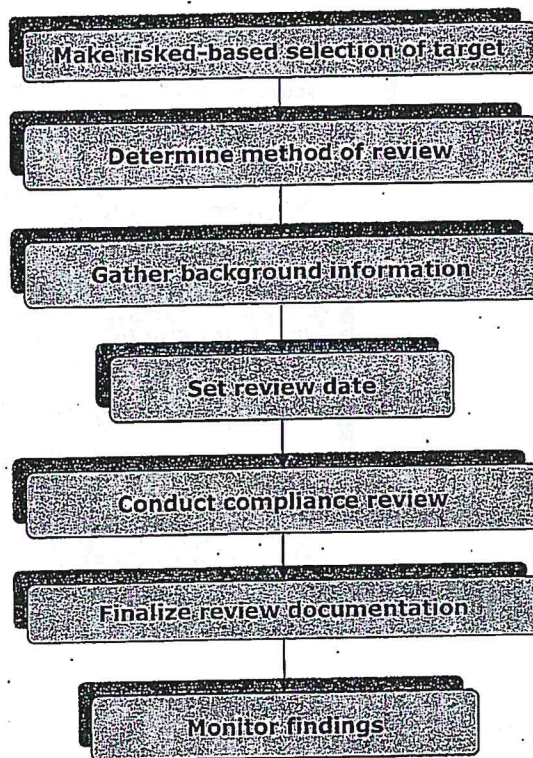


#### 6.5 The Compliance Review Program and Process

Similar to the certification process, the compliance review program entails a rigorous process intended to ensure that EIEPs currently receiving electronic information from SSA are in full compliance with the Agency's security requirements and standards. As a practice, SSA attempts to conduct compliance reviews following a 3 to 5 year periodic review schedule. However, as circumstances warrant, a review may take place at anytime. Three prominent examples that would trigger an ad hoc review are:

- a significant change in the outside EIEP's computing platform
- a violation of any of SSA's systems security requirements
- an unauthorized disclosure of SSA information by the EIEP

The following is a high-level flow chart of the OIS Compliance Review Process: 



SSA may, at its discretion, conduct compliance reviews onsite at the EIEPs' site, including a field office location, if appropriate.

SSA may, also at its discretion, request that the EIEP participate in an onsite compliance review of their security infrastructure and implementation of SSA's security requirements.

The onsite review may address any or all of SSA's security requirements and include, where appropriate:

- a demonstration of the EIEP's implementation of each requirement
- random sampling of audit records and transactions submitted to SSA
- a walkthrough of the EIEP's data center to observe and document physical security safeguards
- a demonstration of the EIEP's implementation of online exchange of data with SSA
- discussions with managers/supervisors
- examination of management control procedures and reports (e.g., anomaly detection reports, etc.)

- demonstration of technical tools pertaining to user access control and, if appropriate, browsing prevention, specifically:
  - If the design is based on a permission module or similar design, or is transaction driven, the EIEP will demonstrate how the system triggers requests for information from SSA.
  - If the design is based on a permission module, the EIEP will demonstrate the process by which requests for SSA-provided information are prevented for SSNs not present in the EIEP's system (e.g.; by attempting to obtain information from SSA using at least one, randomly created, fictitious number not known to the EIEP's system).

SSA may also, at its discretion, perform an ad hoc onsite or remote review for reasons including but not limited to the following:

- the EIEP has experienced a security breach or incident involving SSA-provided data
- the EIEP has unresolved non-compliance issue(s)
- to review an EIEP's offsite (relative to the EIEP) contractor's facilities involving SSA-provided data
- the EIEP is a legacy organization that has not yet been through SSA's security certification and compliance review programs
- the EIEP has requested that an IV & V (Independent Verification and Validation review) be performed by SSA

During the compliance review, SSA, or a certifier acting on its behalf, may request a demonstration of the system's audit trail and retrieval capability. The certifier may request a demonstration of the system's capability for tracking the activity of employees that are permitted to view SSA-provided information within the EIEP's system. Additionally, the certifier may request those EIEPs whose transactions with SSA are mediated AND audited by an STC to demonstrate the process(es) by which the EIEP obtains audit information from the STC regarding the EIEP's SSA transactions.

EIEPs whose transactions with SSA are mediated AND audited by an STC may be required to demonstrate both their own in-house audit capabilities AND the process(es) by which the EIEP obtains audit information from the STC regarding the EIEP's transactions with SSA.

If the EIEP employs a contractor who will be involved with the processing, handling, transmission, etc. of the EIEP's SSA-provided information offsite from the EIEP, SSA, at its discretion, may include in the onsite compliance review an onsite inspection of the contractor's facility. The inspection may occur with or without a representative of the EIEP. However, manpower limitations or fiscal constraints could drive an alternative approach, such as teleconferencing. In any event, the format of the review in routine circumstances (i.e., the compliance review is not being conducted to address a special circumstance, such as a disclosure violation, etc.) will generally consist of reviewing and updating the EIEP's compliance with the systems security requirements described above in this document. At the conclusion of the review, SSA will issue a formal report to appropriate EIEP personnel. Findings and recommendations from SSA's compliance review, if any, will be discussed in its report and monitored for closure.

**NOTE: Documentation provided SSA by the EIEP for compliance reviews is considered sensitive and is, therefore, handled accordingly by SSA. E.g., the information is accessible to only authorized individuals who have a need for the information as it relates to compliance of the EIEP with its electronic information sharing agreement with SSA and SSA's associated system security requirements and procedures. Additionally, the EIEP's documentation is retained for only as long as required and is deleted, purged, or destroyed when the requirement for which the information was obtained has expired.**

The following is a high-level example of the analysis that aids in making preliminary decisions as to which review format may be most appropriate. Various additional factors may also be factored in determining whether SSA performs an onsite or remote compliance review.

- High/Medium Risk Criteria
  - undocumented closing of prior review finding(s)
  - implementation of technical/operational controls that impact security of SSA provided data (e.g., implementation of new data access method, etc.)
  - reported PII breach
- Low Risk Criteria
  - no prior review finding(s) or prior finding(s) documented as closed
  - no implementation of technical/operational controls that impact security of SSA provided data (e.g., implementation of new data access method, etc.)
  - no reported PII breach

#### **6.5.1 EIEP Compliance Review Participation**

During the compliance review SSA may request to meet with the following:

- a sample of managers and/or supervisors responsible for enforcing and monitoring ongoing compliance to security requirements and procedures to assess their level of training to monitor their employee's use of SSA-provided information, and for reviewing reports and taking necessary action
- the individuals responsible for security awareness and employee sanction functions and request an explanation of how these responsibilities are performed
- a sample of the EIEP's employees to assess their level of training and understanding of the requirements and potential sanctions applicable to the use and misuse of SSA-provided information
- the individual(s) responsible for management oversight and quality assurance functions and request a description of how these responsibilities will be carried out
- additional individuals as deemed appropriate by SSA

#### **6.5.2 Verification of Audit Samples**

Prior to or during the compliance review, SSA will present to the EIEP a sampling of transactions previously submitted to SSA for verification. The EIEP is required to verify whether each transaction was, per the terms of their agreement with SSA, legitimately submitted by a user authorized to do so.

The EIEP must provide SSA a written attestation of the results of the EIEP's review of the transactions. The document must provide:

- confirmation for each sample transaction located in the EIEP's audit file(s) and determined to have been submitted by its employee(s) for legitimate and authorized business purposes
- an explanation for each sample transaction located in the EIEP's audit file(s) determined to have been unauthorized
- an explanation for each sample transaction not found in the EIEP's ATS

When the sample transactions are provided to the EIEP, detailed instructions will be included. Only an official responsible for the EIEP is to provide the attestation.

#### 6.6 Scheduling the Onsite Review

The SDP must be approved before its associated onsite review is scheduled. Notification of the approval of a plan will be sent via email. Although there is no prescribed time frame for arranging the subsequent onsite review (**certification review** for an EIEP requesting initial access to SSA-provided information for an initial agreement or **compliance review** for other EIEPs), unless there are compelling circumstances precluding it, the onsite review will follow as soon as reasonably possible.

However, the scheduling of the onsite review may depend on additional factors including:

- the reason for submission of a plan
- the severity of security issues if any
- circumstances of the previous review if any
- SSA workload considerations

Although the scheduling of the review is contingent upon approval of the SDP, in extreme circumstances, SSA may, at its discretion, perform an onsite review prior to approval if determined necessary by SSA for completion of the evaluation of a plan.

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## 7. Additional Definitions Q

### **Back Button:**

Refers to a button on a web browser's toolbar, the *backspace button* on a computer keyboard, a programmed keyboard button or mouse button, etc., that returns a user to a previously visited web page or application screen.

### **Breach:**

Refers to actual loss, loss of control, compromise, unauthorized disclosure, unauthorized acquisition, unauthorized access, or any similar term referring to situations where persons other than authorized users and for other than authorized purposes have access or potential access to PII or Covered Information, whether physical, electronic, or in spoken word or recording.

### **Browsing:**

Requests for or queries of SSA-provided data for purposes not related to the performance of official job duties.

### **Choke Point:**

The firewall between a local network and the Internet is considered a choke point in network security, because any attacker would have to come through that channel, which is typically protected and monitored.

### **Cloud Computing:**

The term refers to Internet-based computing and is derived from the cloud drawing representing the Internet in computer network diagrams. Cloud computing providers deliver on-demand online computing resources (e.g., services, software applications, data storage, and information) accessible to their customers by means of a web service or browser.

### **Cloud Drive:**

A cloud drive is a Web-based service that provides storage space on a remote server.

### **CloudAudit:**

CloudAudit is a specification that provides cloud computing service providers a standard way to present and share detailed, automated statistics about performance and security.

### **Commingling:**

The process by which an EIEP adjoins specific SSA-provided data to specific preexisting EIEP information according to a particular data-matching scheme.

### **Degaussing:**

Degaussing is the method of using a degausser (i.e., a device that generates a magnetic field) in order to disrupt magnetically recorded information. Degaussing can be effective for purging damaged media and media with exceptionally large storage capacities. Degaussing is not effective for purging non-magnetic media (e.g., optical discs).

### **Dial-up:**

Sometimes used synonymously with *dial-in*, refers to digital data transmission over the wires of a local telephone network.

### **Function:**

One or more persons or organizational components assigned to serve a particular purpose, or perform a particular role. Also, the purpose, activity, or role assigned to one or more persons or organizational components.

**Hub:**

As it relates to electronic data exchange with SSA, a hub is an organization which performs as an electronic information distribution and/or collection point (and may also be referred to as a State Transmission Component or STC).

**ICON:**

Interstate Connection Network (various entities use 'Connectivity' rather than 'Connection')

**IV & V:**

Independent Verification and Validation

**Legacy System:**

A term usually referring to a corporate or organizational computer system or network that utilizes outmoded programming languages, software, and/or hardware that typically no longer receive support from the original vendors or developers.

**Manual Transaction:**

An operation (also referred to as a 'user-initiated transaction') which is initiated at the volition of a user rather than system-generated within an automated process.

Example: A user enters a client's information including the client's SSN on an input screen and presses the 'ENTER' key to acknowledge that input of data has been completed. A new screen appears with multiple options which include 'VERIFY SSN' and 'CONTINUE'. The user has the option to verify the client's SSN or perform alternative actions.

**Media Sanitization:**

- **Disposal:** Refers to the discarding (e.g., recycling) of media that contains no sensitive or confidential data.
- **Clearing:** This type of media sanitization is considered to be adequate for protecting information from a robust keyboard attack. Clearing must prevent retrieval of information by data, disk, or file recovery utilities. Clearing must be resistant to keystroke recovery attempts executed from standard input devices and from data scavenging tools. For example, overwriting is an acceptable method for clearing media. Deleting items, however, is not sufficient for clearing.

This process may include overwriting all addressable locations of the data, as well as its logical storage location (e.g., its file allocation table). The aim of the overwriting process is to replace or obfuscate existing information with random data. Most rewriteable media may be cleared by a single overwrite. This method of sanitization cannot be utilized on unwriteable or damaged media.

- **Purging:** This type of media sanitization is a process that protects information from a laboratory attack. The terms *clearing* and *purging* are sometimes considered synonymous. However, for some media, clearing is not sufficient for purging (i.e., protecting data from a laboratory attack). Although most rewriteable media may be cleared by a single overwrite, purging may require multiple rewrites using different characters for each write cycle.

This is because a laboratory attack involves threats with the capability to employ non-standard assets (e.g., specialized hardware) to attempt data recovery on media outside of that media's normal operating environment.

Degaussing is also an example of an acceptable method for purging magnetic media. If purging media is not a viable method for sanitization, the media should be destroyed.

- **Destruction:** Physical destruction of media is the most effective form of sanitization. Methods of destruction include burning, pulverizing, and shredding. Any residual medium should be able to withstand a laboratory attack.

**Permission module:**

A utility or subprogram within an application which automatically enforces the relationship of a request for or query of SSA-provided data to an authorized process or transaction legitimately initiated; e.g., verification of an SSN for issuance of a driver license which can be triggered only automatically from within a state's driver license application, requests for information from SSA by an EIEP's employee which cannot be initiated unless the EIEP's client system has a record containing the SSN of the individual for which information is sought, etc.

**Screen Scraping:**

Screen scraping is normally associated with the programmatic collection of visual data from a source. Originally, screen scraping referred to the practice of reading text data from a computer display terminal's screen. This was generally done by reading the terminal's memory through its auxiliary port, or by connecting the terminal output port of one computer system to an input port on another. The term screen scraping is also commonly used to refer to the bidirectional exchange of data.

A screen scraper might connect to a legacy system via Telnet, emulate the keystrokes needed to navigate the legacy user interface, process the resulting display output, extract the desired data, and pass it on to a modern system.

More modern screen scraping techniques include capturing the bitmap data from a screen and running it through an optical character reader engine, or in the case of graphical user interface applications, querying the graphical controls by programmatically obtaining references to their underlying programming objects.

**Security Breach:**

An act from outside an organization that bypasses or contravenes security policies, practices, or procedures.

**Security Incident:**

A fact or event which signifies the possibility that a breach of security may be taking place, or may have taken place. All threats are security incidents, but not all security incidents are threats.

**Security Violation:**

An act from within an organization that bypasses or contravenes security policies, practices, or procedures.

**Sensitive data:**

Information such as PII and information provided by SSA to an EIEP, the loss, misuse, or unauthorized access to or modification of which, could adversely affect the national interest or the conduct of Federal programs, or the privacy to which individuals are entitled under 5 U.S.C. Section 552a (the Privacy Act), but that has not been specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive Order or an Act of Congress to be kept classified in the interest of national defense or foreign policy but is to be protected in accordance with the requirements of the Computer Security Act of 1987 (P.L.100-235).

**SMDS (Switched Multimegabit Data Service (SMDS):**

SMDS is a telecommunications service that provides connectionless, high-performance, packet-switched data transport. Although not a protocol, it supports standard protocols and communications interfaces using current technology.

**SSA-provided data/information:**

Synonymous with 'SSA-supplied data/information', defines information under the control of SSA provided to an external entity under the terms of an information exchange agreement with SSA. The following are examples of SSA-provided data/information information:

- SSA's response to a request from an EIEP for information from SSA (e.g., date of death)
- SSA's response to a query from an EIEP for verification of an SSN

**SSA data/information:**

This is term, sometimes used interchangeably with 'SSA-provided data/information', denotes information under the control of SSA provided to an external entity under the terms of an information exchange agreement with SSA. However, 'SSA data/information' also includes information provided to the EIEP by a source other than SSA, but which is attested by the EIEP to have been verified by SSA, or is coupled with data from SSA as to the accuracy of the information. The following are examples of SSA information:

- SSA's response to a request from an EIEP for information from SSA (e.g., date of death)
- SSA's response to a query from an EIEP for verification of an SSN
- Display by the EIEP of SSA's response to a query for verification of an SSN **and** the associated SSN provided by SSA
- Display by the EIEP of SSA's response to a query for verification of an SSN **and** the associated SSN provided to the EIEP by a source other than SSA
- Electronic records that contain only SSA's response to a query for verification of an SSN **and** the associated SSN whether provided to the EIEP by SSA or a source other than SSA

**SSN:**

Social Security Number

**STC:**

A State Transmission Component is an organization which performs as an electronic information distribution and/or collection point for one or more other entities (and may also be referred to as a hub).

**System-generated transaction:**

A transaction automatically triggered by an automated system process.

Example: A user enters a client's information including the client's SSN on an input screen and presses the 'ENTER' key to acknowledge that input of data has been completed. An automated process then matches the SSN against the user's organization's database and when no match is found, automatically sends an electronic request for verification of the SSN to SSA.

**Systems process:**

Refers to a software program module that runs in the background within an automated batch, online, or other process.

**Third Party:**

This term pertains to an entity (person or organization) provided access to SSA-provided information by an EIEP or other SSA business partner for which one or more of the following apply:

- is not stipulated access to SSA-provided data by an information-sharing agreement between an EIEP and SSA
- has no information-sharing agreement with SSA
- is not directly authorized by SSA for access to SSA-provided data

**Transaction-driven:**

This term pertains to an automatically initiated online query of or request for SSA information by an automated transaction process (e.g., driver license issuance, etc.). The query or request will only occur if prescribed conditions are met within the automated process.

**Uncontrolled transaction:**

This term pertains to a transaction that is not controlled by a permission module (i.e., not subject to a systematically enforced relationship to an authorized process or application or an existing client record).

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Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) Publications

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Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD-12)

National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publications

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Privacy Act of 1974

9. Frequently Asked Questions   
(Click links for answers or additional information)

1. Q: What is a breach of data?  
A: Refer also to Security Breach, Security Incident, and Security Violation.
2. Q: What is employee browsing?  
A: Click hyperlink
3. Q: Okay, so the SDP was submitted. Can the Onsite Review be scheduled now?  
A: Refer to Scheduling the Onsite Review.
4. Q: What is a 'Permission Module'?  
A: Click hyperlink
5. Q: What is meant by Screen Scraping?  
A: Click hyperlink
6. Q: When does an SDP have to be submitted?  
A: Refer to When the SDP and RA are Required.
7. Q: Does an SDP have to be submitted when the agreement is renewed?  
A: The SDP does not have to be submitted **because** the agreement between the EIEP and SSA was renewed. There are, however, circumstances that require an SDP to be submitted. Refer to When the SDP and RA are Required.
8. Q: Is it acceptable to save SSA data with a verified indicator on a (EIEP) workstation as long as the hard drive is encrypted? If not, what options does the agency have?  
A: There is no problem with an EIEP saving SSA-provided information to the encrypted hard drives of computers processing the data provided the information is retained only as provided for in the EIEP's data-sharing agreement with SSA. Refer to Data and Communications Security.
9. Q: Is caching of SSA-provided data on EIEP workstations allowed?  
A: Caching during processing is not a problem. However, SSA-provided data must be cleared from the cache when the user exits the application in which the data was used or accessed. Refer to Data and Communications Security.
10. Q: What is meant by "interconnections to other systems"?  
A: As used in SSA's system security requirements document, the term "interconnections" is synonymous with "connections".
11. Q: Is it acceptable to submit the SDP as a PDF file?  
A: No, it is not.
12. Q: Should the SDP be written from the standpoint of my agency's SVES access itself, or from the standpoint of access to all data provided to us by SSA?  
A: The SDP is to encompass your agency's electronic access to SSA-provided data as per the electronic data sharing agreement between your agency and SSA. Refer to Developing the SDP.
15. Q: Does having a "transaction-driven" system mean that employees cannot initiate a query to SSA and that a permission module is not needed?  
A: Not necessarily. "Transaction driven" basically means that queries, etc. are submitted automatically (and it might depend on the transaction). Depending on the system

implementation, queries might not be automatic or, if they are, manual transactions might still be permitted (for example, when something needs to be corrected). Also, even if a "transaction-driven" system is implemented in such a way that manual transactions cannot be performed, if the system does **not** require the user to be in a particular application and/or the query to be for an existing record in the EIEP's system **before** the system will allow a query to go through to SSA, it would still need a permission module.

16. Q: What is an Onsite Compliance Review?

A: The Onsite Compliance Review is the process wherein SSA performs periodic site visits to its Electronic Information Exchange Partners (EIEP) to certify whether the EIEP's technical, managerial, and operational security measures for protecting data obtained electronically from SSA continue to conform to the terms of the EIEPs' data sharing agreements with SSA and SSA's associated system security requirements and procedures. Refer to the Compliance Review Program and Process.

17. Q: What are the criteria for performing an Onsite Compliance Review?

A: The following are criteria for performing the Onsite Compliance Review:

- EIEP Initiating new access or new access method for obtaining information from SSA
- EIEP's cyclical review (previous review was performed remotely)
- EIEP has made significant change(s) in its operating or security platform involving SSA-provided data
- EIEP experienced a breach of SSA-provided personally identifying information (PII)
- EIEP has been determined to be high-risk

Refer also to the Review Determination Matrix.

18. Q: What is a Remote Compliance Review?

A: The Remote Compliance Review is the process wherein SSA conducts periodic meetings remotely (e.g., via conference calls) with its EIEPs to determine whether the EIEP's technical, managerial, and operational security measures for protecting data obtained electronically from SSA continue to conform to the terms of the EIEPs' data sharing agreements with SSA and SSA's associated system security requirements and procedures. Refer to the Compliance Review Program and Process.

19. Q: What are the criteria for performing a Remote Compliance Review?

A: Each of the following criteria must be satisfied for performing the Remote Compliance Review:

- EIEP's cyclical review (previous review was performed onsite without findings or issues for which findings were cited have been satisfactorily resolved).
- EIEP has made no significant change(s) in its operating or security platform involving SSA-provided data.
- EIEP has not experienced a breach of SSA-provided personally identifying information (PII) since its previous compliance review.
- EIEP has been determined to be low-risk

Refer also to the Review Determination Matrix

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## **ATTACHMENT 5**

### **WORKSHEET FOR REPORTING LOSS OR POTENTIAL LOSS OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION**

**ATTACHMENT 5**

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**Worksheet for Reporting Loss or Potential Loss of Personally Identifiable Information**

**1. Information about the individual making the report to the NCSC:**

Name:			
Position:			
Deputy Commissioner Level Organization:			
Phone Numbers:			
Work:	Cell:	Home/Other:	
E-mail Address:			
Check one of the following:			
Management Official	Security Officer	Non-Management	

**2. Information about the data that was lost/stolen:**

Describe what was lost or stolen (e.g., case file, MBR data):

Which element(s) of PII did the data contain?

Name	Bank Account Info	
SSN	Medical/Health Information	
Date of Birth	Benefit Payment Info	
Place of Birth	Mother's Maiden Name	
Address	Other (describe):	

Estimated volume of records involved:

**3. How was the data physically stored, packaged and/or contained?**

Paper or Electronic? (circle one):

If Electronic, what type of device?

Laptop	Tablet	Backup Tape	Blackberry
Workstation	Server	CD/DVD	Blackberry Phone #
Hard Drive	Floppy Disk	USB Drive	
Other (describe):			

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**Additional Questions if Electronic:**

	Yes	No	Not Sure
a. Was the device encrypted?			
b. Was the device password protected?			
c. If a laptop or tablet, was a VPN SmartCard lost?			
Cardholder's Name:			
Cardholder's SSA logon PIN:			
Hardware Make/Model:			
Hardware Serial Number:			

**Additional Questions if Paper:**

	Yes	No	Not Sure
a. Was the information in a locked briefcase?			
b. Was the information in a locked cabinet or drawer?			
c. Was the information in a locked vehicle trunk?			
d. Was the information redacted?			
e. Other circumstances:			

4. If the employee/contractor who was in possession of the data or to whom the data was assigned is not the person making the report to the NCSC (as listed in #1), information about this employee/contractor:

Name:			
Position:			
Deputy Commissioner Level Organization:			
Phone Numbers:			
Work:	Cell:	Home/Other:	
E-mail Address:			

5. Circumstances of the loss:
- When was it lost/stolen?
  - Brief description of how the loss/theft occurred:
  - When was it reported to SSA management official (date and time)?
6. Have any other SSA components been contacted? If so, who? (Include deputy commissioner level, agency level, regional/associate level component names)

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**7. Which reports have been filed? (include FPS, local police, and SSA reports)**

Report Filed	Yes	No	Report Number
Federal Protective Service			
Local Police			
	Yes	No	
SSA-3114 (Incident Alert)			
SSA-342 (Report of Survey)			
Other (describe)			

**8. Other pertinent information (include actions under way, as well as any contacts with other agencies, law enforcement or the press):**

**RECERTIFICATION OF THE COMPUTER MATCHING AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (SSA)  
AND  
THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY OF CALIFORNIA  
(STATE AGENCY)**

SSA Match #6003

Under the applicable provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, amended by the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act (CMPPA) of 1988, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(o)(2), a computer matching agreement will remain in effect for a period not to exceed 18 months. Within 3 months prior to the expiration of such computer matching agreement, however, the Data Integrity Board (DIB) may, without additional review, renew the computer matching agreement for a current, ongoing matching program for a period not to exceed 12 additional months if:

1. such program will be conducted without any changes; and
2. each party to the agreement certifies to the DIB in writing that the program has been conducted in compliance with the agreement.

The following match meets the conditions for renewal by this recertification:

**I. TITLE OF MATCH:**

Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act Agreement Between the Social Security Administration and the Health and Human Services Agency of California (Match #6003)

**II. PARTIES TO THE MATCH:**

Recipient Agency: The Health and Human Services of California (State Agency)

Source Agency: Social Security Administration (SSA)

**III. PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT:**

This CMPPA Agreement between SSA and the State Agency, sets forth the terms and conditions governing disclosures of records, information, or data (collectively referred to herein "data") made by SSA to the State Agency that administers federally funded benefit programs under various provisions of the Social Security Act (Act), such as section 1137 (42 U.S.C. § 1320b-7), including the state-funded state supplementary payment programs under title XVI of the Act. Under section 1137 of the Act, the State Agency is required to use an income and eligibility verification system to administer specified federally funded benefit programs, including the state-funded state supplementary payment programs under title XVI of the Act. To assist the State Agency in determining

entitlement to and eligibility for benefits under those programs, as well as other federally funded benefit programs, SSA discloses certain data about applicants for state benefits from SSA Privacy Act Systems of Records and verifies the Social Security numbers of the applicants.

IV. ORIGINAL EFFECTIVE AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE MATCH:

Effective Date: July 1, 2012  
Expiration Date: December 31, 2013

V. RENEWAL AND NEW EXPIRATION DATES:

Renewal Date: January 1, 2014  
New Expiration Date: December 31, 2014

VI. CHANGES:

By this recertification, SSA and the State Agency make the following non-substantive changes to the computer matching agreement:

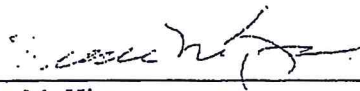
In Article XIV, "Points of Contact," information under subsection A., "SSA Point of Contact, Regional Office," should be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Dolores Dunnachie, Director  
San Francisco Regional Office, Center for Programs Support  
1221 Nevin Ave  
Richmond CA 94801  
Phone: (510) 970-8444/Fax: (510) 970-8101  
[Dolores.Dunnachie@ssa.gov](mailto:Dolores.Dunnachie@ssa.gov)

Social Security Administration

Source Agency Certification:

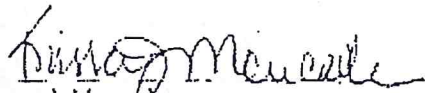
As the authorized representative of the source agency named above, I certify that: (1) the subject matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing computer matching agreement between the parties; and (2) the subject matching program will continue without any change for an additional 12 months, subject to the approval of the Data Integrity Board of the Social Security Administration.

  
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Grace M. Kim  
Regional Commissioner  
San Francisco

Date 11/16/13

Data Integrity Board Certification:

As Chair of the Data Integrity Board of the source agency named above, I certify that: (1) the subject matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing computer matching agreement between the parties; and (2) the subject matching program will continue without any change for an additional 12 months.

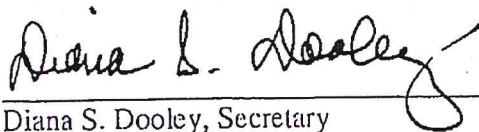
  
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Kirsten J. Moncada  
Chair  
Data Integrity Board

Date 7/10/13

Health and Human Services Agency of California

Recipient Agency Certification:

As the authorized representative of the recipient agency named above, I certify that:  
(1) the subject matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing  
computer matching agreement between the parties; and (2) the subject matching program  
will continue without any change for an additional 12 months, subject to the approval of  
the Data Integrity Board of the Social Security Administration.



Diana S. Dooley, Secretary

Date October 30, 2013