### ADMISSION AGREEMENT #xxx

Specialty Mental Health Services in Short-Term Residential Treatment Program Facility

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between the County of El Dorado, a political			
subdivision of the State of California (hereinafte	r referred to as "County")	), and:	
		, duly qualified to conduct	
business in the State of California; and whose pr	incipal place of business	is:	
(include mailing if different from			
physical) and whose Agent for Service of Proces	s is:	_	
(include name and physical address) (hereinafter referred to as "Contractor");			
		Expected Date of	
		Discharge (not to exceed	
90 days from Date of			
Client Name:	Date of Admission	Admission)	

### **ARTICLE I**

# **Responsibilities:**

- A. <u>Contractor Responsibilities:</u> By signing this Agreement, Contractor attests that they are an accredited Short-Term Residential Treatment Program (STRTP) provider with the State of California, and that they are certified to provide Medi-Cal Specialty Mental Health Services (SMHS).
- B. <u>County Responsibilities</u>: As the Placing County, County of El Dorado has identified the above referenced child/youth in need of STRTP level of care, and the placement has been approved by the Interagency Placement Committee pursuant to All County Letter 17-122. By signing this Agreement, County waives presumptive transfer pursuant to California Department of Social Services' All County Letter 19-94, and California Department of Health Care Services' (DHCS) Behavioral Health Information Notice 19-041.

### **ARTICLE II**

# **Scope of Services:**

By signing this Agreement Contractor certifies that (1) all services shall be provided by appropriately licensed and certified staff, and (2) that all services provided shall be provided in appropriately confidential and secure location/facilities in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). **HIPAA Compliance:** As a condition of Contractor performing services for the County of El Dorado, Contractor agrees to fully comply with all terms and conditions of County's Business Associate Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit A (incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof).

Contractor shall furnish personnel and facilities necessary to provide services indicated below.

A. Specialty Mental Health Services shall be provided in a STRTP to children and youth ("Client") on an "as requested" basis for the County of El Dorado Health and Human Services Agency Behavioral Health Division (HHSA/BHD). All services provided by Contractor shall have prior written authorization by the HHSA Director or Director's designee in the form of this Agreement #XXXX, and shall become a part of the Client's clinical record. SMHS shall be

provided as defined in Title 9 California Code of Regulations (CCR), Rehabilitative and Developmental Services, Division 1, Chapter 11 (as currently interpreted or as amended), the County's Mental Health Plan Agreement and the Performance Plan Agreement with DHCS, both found at <a href="https://www.edcgov.us/Government/hhsa/Pages/hhsa\_contractor\_resources.aspx">https://www.edcgov.us/Government/hhsa/Pages/hhsa\_contractor\_resources.aspx</a> (or as amended or replaced) during the term of this Agreement. The services provided shall include but are not limited to:

- 1) Mental health services consistent with the Client's individual strengths and needs, and Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment Requirements.
- 2) Medication support services which include prescribing, administering, dispensing, and monitoring of psychiatric medications or biologicals that are necessary to alleviate the symptoms of mental illness. These services can only be provided, and billed for, by medical doctors, family nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, and psychiatric technicians, as allowed within the scope of practice for each licensed position.
- 3) Contractor shall collaborate with all parties involved with the child and family including but not limited to Child Family Team (CFT), Client's parents/caregivers/ guardians, education, primary care providers, social services, Alta Regional Center, Substance Use Disorder Services, listed tribe or Indian custodian (if applicable), foster family agency social worker, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), parent partners, peer advocates, and County Probation/Justice Services.
- 4) Contractor shall provide referral and linkages as appropriate.
- 5) Contractor shall involve child/parents/caregivers/guardians in all treatment planning and decision-making regarding the child's services as documented in the child/youth's Treatment Plan.
- 6) Contractor shall provide Clients with a copy of the El Dorado County Mental Health Plan Grievance and Appeal brochures and "Guide to Medi-Cal Mental Health Services." If requested, Contractor shall assist Clients/families in the Grievance or Appeal process outlined in the above referenced documents. All Grievances and Appeals shall be forwarded via facsimile to the Contract Administrator within one (1) business day of receipt.
- 7) Contractor is prohibited from using any unconventional mental health treatments on children. Such unconventional treatments include, but are not limited to, any treatments that violate the children's personal rights as provided in Title 22, CCR, Division 6, Chapter 1, Section 80072(3). Use of any such treatments by Contractor or any therapist providing services for Contractor shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and may be cause for termination of this Agreement.
- 8) Contractor shall complete and submit the following Client-specific documentation to the County within the time frames specified:

Document Completed / Event	Time Frame
Assignment of Case Manager	Upon admission
Treatment Plan	Within two (2) weeks of completion
Discharge Summary or Termination Report	Within five (5) days of discharge or termination of services
Written Progress Report	Upon request by County

<b>Document Completed / Event</b>	Time Frame
California Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) Early Childhood, with the content and format required by the State (only for Clients birth to age five (5) that are involved with Child Welfare Services)	Initially with the Treatment Plan, upon significant life events, at discharge, or as requested more frequently by the County in writing.
California Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) with the content and format required by the State (only for Clients age five (5) to twenty (20), inclusive).	Initially with the Treatment Plan, upon significant life events, at discharge, or as requested more frequently by the County in writing.
Pediatric Symptom Checklist 35 (PSC-35), with the content and format required by the State, completed by the Client's parent/legal guardian/caregiver for Clients ages three (3) through seventeen (17), inclusive.	Initially with the Treatment Plan, upon significant life events, at discharge, or as requested more frequently by the County in writing.
For each Client enrolled in an FSP Program, the Partnership Assessment Form (PAF).	Upon submittal of the initial Treatment Plan at the beginning of services.
For each Client enrolled in an FSP Program, the Key Event Tracking Form (KET).	Upon change of any key event.
For each Client enrolled in an FSP Program, a Quarterly Assessment (3M) Form.	Within fifteen (15) days following the quarter being reported, with each quarter ending September 30, December 31, March 31, and June 30 of each fiscal year.

The above written reports are a required deliverable of this Agreement and Contractor's failure to provide them to HHSA/BHD within the specified time limits described above shall be considered a breach of this Agreement. County shall not be obligated to pay for the services provided to the client until the requested written reports have been submitted. At its sole option, County may delay payment until such time as the reports are received; in addition, County may proceed as set forth herein Article XI, "Default, Termination, and Cancellation."

It is a further requirement of this Agreement that all written reports submitted to HHSA/BHD shall contain the report writer's original signature. It is recommended, but not required, that all original signatures be made using blue ink. This signature shall act as a declaration that the contents of the written report(s) are accurate.

Reports shall be submitted as follows, or as otherwise directed in writing by County:

# Please Send Reports to:

County of El Dorado
Health and Human Services Agency
Attn: Contract Administrator
768 Pleasant Valley Rd. Suite 201
Diamond Springs, CA 95691

### **ARTICLE III**

**Term:** This Agreement shall become effective upon final execution by all parties hereto and shall expire upon client's discharge from services; ninety (90) days from execution of agreement; or upon exhaustion of the Maximum Obligation as outlined in Article V herein, whichever occurs first, unless terminated earlier pursuant to the provisions contained herein this Agreement under Article XI, "Default, Termination, and Cancellation," or Article X, "Fiscal Considerations."

### ARTICLE IV

**Compensation for Services:** Contractor shall only submit invoices for services authorized by the County and for which Medi-Cal documentation is prepared.

Travel expenses, including but not limited to travel time, meals, lodging, and mileage shall not be paid by County.

A. <u>Invoices:</u> Contractor is required to submit invoices no later than fifteen (15) days following the end of a "service month." For billing purposes, a "service month" shall be defined as a calendar month during which Contractor provides Client services in accordance with "Scope of Services."

Invoices shall include the following:

•	Client name	•	Date of Service
•	Units of service & associated rate	•	Description of services provided

Failure to submit invoices and Authorizations by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month following the end of a service month shall result in payment(s) being withheld until the appropriate documents are received by staff. Receipt by HHSA of invoices and associated paperwork submitted by Contractor for payment shall not be deemed evidence of allowable costs under this Agreement. Upon request by County, Contractor may be required to submit additional or new information, which may delay reimbursement.

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

# Please Send Invoices to:

County of El Dorado
Health and Human Services Agency
Attn: Finance Unit
3057 Briw Road, Suite B
Placerville, CA 95667-5321

For all satisfactory services provided herein, County agrees to pay Contractor monthly in arrears and within forty-five (45) days following County's receipt and approval of all valid invoice(s) identifying services rendered.

B. <u>Rates:</u> For the purposes of this Agreement, services shall be reimbursed at the following provisional rates:

Type of Service	Unit	Rate
Medication Support	Minute	\$(Insert Rate)
All other services* (e.g., case management, mental health services, crisis intervention)	Minute	\$(Insert Rate)

### **ARTICLE V**

**Maximum Obligation:** The maximum contractual obligation under this Agreement shall not exceed \$9,999.00 for all of the stated services during the term of the Agreement.

### **ARTICLE VI**

### **Financial Documents:**

- A. **Audited Financial Reports:** Contractor shall submit to the County audited financial reports specific to this contract on an annual basis. The audit shall be conducted in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and generally accepted auditing standards (GAAS) (42 CFR Section 438.3(m)).
- B. Cost Report: The Cost Report shall be the final financial record of services rendered under this Agreement, for subsequent audits, if any. Such reported costs and allocations shall be supported by source documentation maintained by Contractor and available at any time to Contract Administrator, or successor, upon reasonable notice. The Cost Settlement terms and other related clauses of this Agreement shall survive the term of the Agreement. If Cost Reporting, Cost Settlement, and Audits are performed during or after the termination date of the Agreement, Contractor shall reimburse County for the portion of the funding in this Agreement that is not reimbursed by State and/or federal governments.

Contractor shall prepare the Cost Report in accordance with the State Department of Health Care Services Cost and Financial Reporting System Local Program Financial Support Instruction Manual, incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein. Contractor shall return the completed Cost Report to County within thirty (30) days from issuance of Cost Report materials ("Cost Report Due Date"), including but not limited to instructions, templates and units of service reports by County, unless a written request for an extension is approved by the HHSA Chief Fiscal Officer, or successor. County shall review Contractor's Cost Report and communicate with Contractor in order to verify units from County's Electronic Health Record report and confirm that the various updates are included in the Cost Report. Contractor shall work with County responsively and cooperatively to finalize the Cost Report.

It is agreed between County and Contractor that the provisional rates stated in this Agreement are intended to approximate the Contractor's actual costs. Should the actual rate as determined in the Cost Report for the Fiscal Period be less than the provisional rate, Contractor agrees to reimburse County for all amounts paid in excess of the actual rate. Reimbursement shall be remitted to County no later than December 31 following the Fiscal Period. Based upon written approval by the HHSA Director, this reimbursement may be made via monthly installment payments for up to six (6) months. Costs will be settled to the lesser of actual and allowable costs, published charges and contracted rates and not exceeding the maximum amount of this Agreement.

If Contractor fails to submit an accurate and complete Cost Report by the Cost Report Due Date, County shall not make any further payments to Contractor under this Agreement until Contractor submits an accurate and complete Cost Report.

C. Cost Settlement: Contractor will reimburse County, as indicated in the County/State Final Cost Settlement. Reimbursement shall be processed thirty (30) days after the State issues its report, or accomplished by a credit on funds due to Contractor on a subsequent Agreement. County shall notify Contractor of the issuance of the State's report. The County may also apply this cost recovery mechanism in order to be reimbursed for funds owed to the County from prior expired contracts between parties.

In the Final Cost Settlement process, the unit rate established in the preliminary cost settlement shall be the basis for reimbursement to the County, unless the State authorizes a change to the total units.

### **ARTICLE VII**

**Changes to Agreement:** This Agreement may be amended by mutual consent of the parties hereto. Said amendments shall become effective only when in writing and fully executed by duly authorized officers of the parties hereto.

### ARTICLE VIII

**Assignment and Delegation:** Contractor is engaged by County for its unique qualifications and skills as well as those of its personnel. Contractor shall not subcontract, delegate or assign services to be provided, in whole or in part, to any other person or entity without prior written consent of County.

### ARTICLE IX

**Independent Contractor/Liability:** Contractor is, and shall be at all times, deemed independent and shall be wholly responsible for the manner in which it performs services required by terms of this Agreement. Contractor exclusively assumes responsibility for acts of its employees, associates, and subcontractors, if any are authorized herein, as they relate to services to be provided under this Agreement during the course and scope of their employment.

Contractor shall be responsible for performing the work under this Agreement in a safe, professional, skillful, and workmanlike manner and shall be liable for its own negligence and negligent acts of its employees. County shall have no right of control over the manner in which work is to be done and shall, therefore, not be charged with responsibility of preventing risk to Contractor or its employees.

# **ARTICLE X**

**Fiscal Considerations:** The parties to this Agreement recognize and acknowledge that County is a political subdivision of the State of California. As such, El Dorado County is subject to the provisions of Article XVI, Section 18 of the California Constitution and other similar fiscal and procurement laws and regulations and may not expend funds for products, equipment or services not budgeted in a given fiscal year. It is further understood that in the normal course of County business, County will adopt a proposed budget prior to a given fiscal year, but that the final adoption of a budget does not occur until after the beginning of the fiscal year.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, County shall give notice of cancellation of this Agreement in the event of adoption of a proposed budget that does not provide for funds for the services, products, or equipment subject herein. Such notice shall become effective upon the adoption of a final budget which does not provide funding for this Agreement. Upon the effective date of such notice, this Agreement shall be automatically terminated and County released from any further liability hereunder.

In addition to the above, should the Board of Supervisors during the course of a given year for financial reasons reduce, or order a reduction, in the budget for any County department for which services were contracted to be performed, pursuant to this paragraph in the sole discretion of the County, this Agreement may be deemed to be canceled in its entirety subject to payment for services performed prior to cancellation.

### **ARTICLE XI**

### **Default, Termination, and Cancellation:**

A. Default: Upon the occurrence of any default of the provisions of this Agreement, a party shall give written notice of said default to the party in default (notice). If the party in default does not cure the default within ten (10) days of the date of notice (time to cure), then such party shall be in default. The time to cure may be extended at the discretion of the party giving notice. Any extension of time to cure must be in writing, prepared by the party in default for signature by the party giving notice, and must specify the reason(s) for the extension and the date on which the extension of time to cure expires.

Notice given under this section shall specify the alleged default and the applicable Agreement provision and shall demand that the party in default perform the provisions of this Agreement within the applicable period of time. No such notice shall be deemed a termination of this Agreement unless the party giving notice so elects in this notice, or the party giving notice so elects in a subsequent written notice after the time to cure has expired. In the event of termination for default, County reserves the right to take over and complete the work by contract or by any other means.

- B. Bankruptcy: This Agreement, at the option of the County, shall be terminable in the case of bankruptcy, voluntary or involuntary, or insolvency of Contractor.
- C. Ceasing Performance: County may terminate this Agreement in the event Contractor ceases to operate as a business, or otherwise becomes unable to substantially perform any term or condition of this Agreement.
- D. Termination or Cancellation without Cause: County may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part upon seven (7) calendar days' written notice by County without cause. If such prior termination is effected, County will pay for satisfactory services rendered prior to the effective dates as set forth in the Notice of Termination provided to Contractor, and for such other services, which County may agree to in writing as necessary for contract resolution. In no event, however, shall County be obligated to pay more than the total amount of the contract. Upon receipt of a Notice of Termination, Contractor shall promptly discontinue all services affected, as of the effective date of termination set forth in such Notice of Termination, unless the notice directs otherwise.

### **ARTICLE XII**

**Notice to Parties:** All notices to be given by the parties hereto shall be in writing and served by depositing same in the United States Post Office, postage prepaid and return receipt requested.

Notices to County shall be addressed as follows:	With a copy to:
COUNTY OF EL DORADO	COUNTY OF EL DORADO
Health and Human Services Agency	Chief Administrative Office
3057 Briw Road, Suite B	Procurement and Contracts Division
Placerville, CA 95667	2850 Fairlane Court, Bldg. C, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
ATTN: Contracts Unit	Placerville, CA 95667
	ATTN: Purchasing Agent

or to such other location as the County directs.

Notices to Contractor shall be addressed as follows:
Insert address and attention to

or to such other location as the Contractor directs.

### **ARTICLE XIII**

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

# **ARTICLE XIV**

**Indemnity:** To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall defend at its own expense, indemnify, and hold the County harmless, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers, against and from any and all liability, claims, suits, losses, damages, or expenses of every name, kind and description, including attorney's fees and costs incurred, brought for, or on account of, injuries to or death of any person, including but not limited to workers, County employees, and the public, or damage to property, or any economic or consequential losses, which are claimed to or in any way arise out of or are connected with the acts or omissions of Contractor or its officers, agents, or employees in rendering the services, operations, or performance hereunder, except for liability, claims, suits, losses, damages or expenses arising from the sole negligence or willful acts of the County, its officers and employees, or as expressly prescribed by statute. This duty of Contractor to indemnify and save County harmless includes the duties to defend set forth in California Civil Code Section 2778.

### ARTICLE XV

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

- A. Full Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance covering all employees of Contractor as required by law in the State of California.
- B. Commercial General Liability Insurance of not less than \$1,000,000.00 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage and a \$2,000,000.00 aggregate limit.
- C. Automobile Liability Insurance of not less than \$1,000,000.00 is required in the event motor vehicles are used by the Contractor in the performance of the Agreement.
- D. In the event Contractor is a licensed professional or professional consultant, and is performing professional services under this Agreement, professional liability is required with a limit of liability of not less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence.
- E. Contractor shall furnish a certificate of insurance satisfactory to the County of El Dorado Risk Manager as evidence that the insurance required above is being maintained.
- F. The insurance will be issued by an insurance company acceptable to Risk Management, or be provided through partial or total self-insurance likewise acceptable to Risk Management.
- G. Contractor agrees that the insurance required above shall be in effect at all times during the term of this Agreement. Contractor shall give County at least thirty (30) days notice before the insurance is set to expire or before contractor cancels or replaces and/or amends Contractor's coverage. In the event that Contractor's insurance is proposed to be cancelled by the insurer, Contractor agrees to notify County within five (5) working days of receiving notice or proposed cancellation. Failure to maintain insurance as identified above shall be considered a material breach, and County may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, terminate this Agreement upon occurrence of such event. New certificates of insurance are subject to the approval of Risk Management and Contractor agrees that no work or services shall be performed prior to the giving of such approval. In the event the Contractor fails to keep in effect at all times insurance coverage as herein provided, County may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, terminate this Agreement upon the occurrence of such event.
- H. The certificate of insurance must include the following provisions stating that:
  - 1) The insurer will not cancel the insured's coverage without prior written notice to County, and;
  - 2) The County of El Dorado, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are included as additional insured on an additional insured endorsement, but only insofar as the operations under this Agreement are concerned. This provision shall apply to the general liability policy.
- I. The Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be in excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- J. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the County, either: the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers; or the Contractor shall procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration and defense expenses.
- K. Any failure to comply with the reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the County, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers.
- L. The insurance companies shall have no recourse against the County of El Dorado, its officers and

- employees or any of them for payment of any premiums or assessments under any policy issued by any insurance company.
- M. Contractor's obligations shall not be limited by the foregoing insurance requirements and shall survive expiration of this Agreement.
- N. In the event Contractor cannot provide an occurrence policy, Contractor shall provide insurance covering claims made as a result of performance of this Agreement for not less than three (3) years following completion of performance of this Agreement.
- O. Certificate of insurance shall meet such additional standards as may be determined by the contracting County Department either independently or in consultation with Risk Management, as essential for protection of the County.

### **ARTICLE XVI**

**Interest of Contractor:** Contractor covenants that Contractor presently has no personal interest or financial interest, and shall not acquire same in any manner or degree in either: 1) any other contract connected with or directly affected by the services to be performed by this Agreement; or, 2) any other entities connected with or directly affected by the services to be performed by this Agreement. Contractor further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement no person having any such interest shall be employed by Contractor.

### **ARTICLE XVII**

Conflict of Interest: The parties to this Agreement have read and are aware of the provisions of Government Code Section 1090 et seq. and Section 87100 relating to conflict of interest of public officers and employees. Contractor attests that it has no current business or financial relationship with any County employee(s) that would constitute a conflict of interest with provision of services under this contract and will not enter into any such business or financial relationship with any such employee(s) during the term of this Agreement. County represents that it is unaware of any financial or economic interest of any public officer or employee of Contractor relating to this Agreement. It is further understood and agreed that if such a financial interest does exist at the inception of this Agreement either party may immediately terminate this Agreement by giving written notice as detailed in Article XI, "Default, Termination and Cancellation."

### ARTICLE XVIII

### **Nondiscrimination:**

A. County may require Contractor's services on projects involving funding from various State and/or Federal agencies, and as a consequence, Contractor shall comply with all applicable nondiscrimination statutes and regulations during the performance of this Agreement including but not limited to the following: Contractor and its employees and representatives shall not unlawfully discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, age, or sex; Contractor shall, unless exempt, comply with the applicable provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code, Sections 12900 et seq.) and applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Sections 7285.0 et seq.); the applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Government Code, Section 12990, set forth in Chapter 5 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations incorporated into this Agreement by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full; and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended. Contractor and its

- employees and representatives shall give written notice of their obligations under this clause as required by law.
- B. Where applicable, Contractor shall include these nondiscrimination and compliance provisions in any of its agreements that affect or are related to the services performed herein.
- C. Contractor's signature shall provide any certifications necessary under the Federal laws, the laws of the State of California, including but not limited to Government Code Section 12990 and Title 2, California Code of Regulations, Section 8103.

### ARTICLE XIX

California Residency (Form 590): If Contractor is a California resident, Contractors must file a State of California Form 590, certifying its California residency or, in the case of a corporation, certifying that it has a permanent place of business in California. The Contractor will be required to submit a Form 590 prior to execution of an Agreement or County shall withhold seven (7) percent of each payment made to the Contractor during term of the Agreement. This requirement applies to any agreement/contract exceeding \$1,500.00.

# ARTICLE XX

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

### ARTICLE XXI

**Taxpayer Identification Number (Form W-9):** All independent Contractors or corporations providing services to the County must file a Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form W-9, certifying their Taxpayer Identification Number.

### **ARTICLE XXII**

**County Business License:** It is unlawful for any person to furnish supplies or services, or transact any kind of business in the unincorporated territory of El Dorado County without possessing a County business license unless exempt under County Code Section 5.08.070.

### **ARTICLE XXIII**

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

### ARTICLE XXIV

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

### ARTICLE XXV

**Authorized Signatures:** The parties to this Agreement represent that the undersigned individuals executing this Agreement on their respective behalf are fully authorized to do so by law or other appropriate instrument and to bind upon said parties to the obligations set forth herein.

### ARTICLE XXVI

**Partial Invalidity:** If any provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will continue in full force and effect without being impaired or invalidated in any way.

# ARTICLE XXVII

**Venue:** Any dispute resolution action arising out of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, litigation, mediation, or arbitration, shall be brought in El Dorado County, California, and shall be resolved in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

### ARTICLE XXVIII

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

### **ARTICLE XXIX**

### **Additional Terms and Conditions:**

- **A. Mandated Reporter Requirements:** Contractor acknowledges and agrees to comply with mandated reporter requirements pursuant to the provisions of Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 11164) of Chapter 2 of Title 1 of Part 4 of the California Penal Code, also known as "The Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act," and the Welfare and Institutions Code Section 15630 et seq., related to elder and dependent adults, as applicable.
- **B.** Access to Records: The Contractor shall provide access to the federal, state or local Contractor agency, the Controller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized federal, state or local representatives to any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this specific Agreement for the purpose of making an audit, examination, excerpts and transcriptions.
- C. Compliance with All Federal, State, and Local Laws and Regulations: Contractor shall comply with all federal, state and local laws including, but not limited to, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 (42 USC 12101 et. seq.) and California Government Code Sections 11135-11139.5, and all regulations, requirements, and directives pertinent to its operations. Contractor shall abide by manuals, directives and other guidance issued by the State of California. All appropriate manuals and updates shall be available for review or reference by Contractor from the County Health and Human Services Agency.
- **D. Assurance of Compliance:** Assurance of compliance with the County of El Dorado Health and Human Services Agency nondiscrimination in State and Federally assisted programs requirements as follows:

Contractor hereby agrees that they shall comply with Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 as amended; the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended, and in particular Section 272.6; Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; California Civil Code Section 51 et seq., as amended; California Government Code section 11135-11139.5, as

amended; California Government Code section 12940 (c), (h) (1), (i), and (j); California Government Code section 4450; Title 22, California Code of Regulations section 98000 – 98413; Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 3105A(e); the Dymally-Alatorre Bilingual Services Act (California Government Code Section 7290-7299.8); Section 1808 of the Removal of Barriers to Interethnic Adoption Act of 1996; and other applicable Federal and State laws, as well as their implementing regulations [including 45 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) .Parts 80, 84 and 91, 7 CFR Part 15, and 28 CFR Part 42], by ensuring that employment practices and the administration of public assistance and social services programs are nondiscriminatory, to the effect that no person shall, because of ethnic group identification, age, sex, color, disability, medical condition, national origin, race, ancestry, marital status, religion, religious creed, or political belief, be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subject to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal or State financial assistance; and hereby give assurance that it shall immediately take any measures necessary to effectuate this Agreement.

This assurance is given in consideration of and for the purpose of obtaining any and all Federal and State assistance; and Contractor hereby gives assurance that administrative methods/procedures which have the effect of subjecting individuals to discrimination or defeating the objectives of the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) Chapter 21, shall be prohibited.

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

This assurance is binding on Contractor directly or through contract, license, or other provider services, as long as it receives Federal or State assistance.

- **E. Drug-Free Workplace:** Contractor agrees to maintain a drug-free workplace and remain in compliance with the Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C. Chapter 10) and the California Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990 (Government Code Section 8350 et seq.) and any subsequent amendments to either Act thereto. A "drug free workplace" means the site(s) for the performance of work done by Contractor at which Contractor and employees of the Contractor are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of any controlled substance. A list of controlled substances can be found in Schedules I through V of Section 202 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812) and as further defined in Regulation 21 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1308.11 1308.15.
- **F. Transfer of Records:** In the event that Contractor ceases operation, all physical and electronic files that are subject to audit shall be transferred to the County for proper storage of physical records and electronic data. Contractor shall notify County of impending closure as soon as such closure has been determined, and provide County with a complete list of records in its possession pertaining to County Clients and operational costs under this Agreement. County shall promptly advise Contractor which records are to be transferred to the custody of County. Contractor shall properly destroy records not

- transferred to custody of County, and Contractor shall provide documentation of proper destruction of all such records to County.
- **G. Waivers:** Failure of County to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall in no event be considered a waiver of any part of such provision or any other provision contained herein. No waiver by County of any breach or default by Contractor shall operate as a waiver of any succeeding breach of the same terms in the Agreement or other default or breach of any of Contractor's obligations under the Agreement. No waiver shall have any effect unless it is specific, irrevocable, and in writing.

# H. Debarment and Suspension:

- 1) Federal funds may not be used for any contracted services if Contractor is debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department or agency.
- 2) The Contractor shall provide the County with its Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number, and will be required to register and maintain an active registration with the Federal Government's System of Award Management (<a href="www.sam.gov">www.sam.gov</a>); evidence of registration renewal must be provided by the Contractor to the County within thirty (30) days of request.

# ARTICLE XXX

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

### ARTICLE XXXI

**Entire Agreement:** This document and the documents referred to herein or exhibits hereto are the entire Agreement between the parties and they incorporate or supersede all prior written or oral Agreements or understandings.

# **Requesting Contract Administrator Concurrence:**

Ву:	Jamie Samboceti, Deputy Director Behavioral Health Division Health and Human Services Agency	Dated:	
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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement for Services #xxx on the dates indicated below.

# -- COUNTY OF EL DORADO --

By:	y:	Dated:
<i>y</i> –	Donald Semon Director Health and Human Services Agency	
	CONTRACT	OR
By:	Name	rated:
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# **EXHIBIT A**

# **HIPAA Business Associate Agreement**

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

### **RECITALS**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

1. <u>Definitions</u>. Unless otherwise provided in this Business Associate Agreement, capitalized terms shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Privacy Rule, as may be amended from time to time.

- 2. Scope of Use and Disclosure by BA of County Disclosed PHI
  - A. BA shall not disclose PHI except for the purposes of performing BA's obligations under the Underlying Agreement. Further, BA shall not use PHI in any manner that would constitute a violation of the minimum necessary policies and procedures of the County, Privacy Rule, Security Rule, or the HITECH Act.
  - B. Unless otherwise limited herein, in addition to any other uses and/or disclosures permitted or authorized by this Business Associate Agreement or required by law, BA may:
    - (1) use the PHI in its possession for its proper management and administration and to fulfill any legal obligations.
    - (2) disclose the PHI in its possession to a third party for the purpose of BA's proper management and administration or to fulfill any legal responsibilities of BA, or as required by law
    - (3) disclose PHI as necessary for BA's operations only if:
      - (a) prior to making a disclosure to a third party, BA will obtain written assurances from such third party including:
        - (i) to hold such PHI in confidence and use or further disclose it only for the purpose of which BA disclosed it to the third party, or as required by law; and,
        - (ii) the third party will immediately notify BA of any breaches of confidentiality of PHI to extent it has obtained knowledge of such breach.
    - (4) aggregate the PHI and/or aggregate the PHI with that of other data for the purpose of providing County with data analyses related to the Underlying Agreement, or any other purpose, financial or otherwise, as requested by County.
    - (5) not disclose PHI disclosed to BA by County not authorized by the Underlying Agreement or this Business Associate Agreement without patient authorization or de-identification of the PHI as authorized in writing by County.
    - (6) de-identify any and all PHI of County received by BA under this Business Associate Agreement provided that the de-identification conforms to the requirements of the Privacy Rule, 45 CFR and does not preclude timely payment and/or claims processing and receipt.
  - C. BA agrees that it will neither use nor disclose PHI it receives from County, or from another business associate of County, except as permitted or required by this Business Associate Agreement, or as required by law, or as otherwise permitted by law.

- 3. <u>Obligations of BA</u>. In connection with its use of PHI disclosed by County to BA, BA agrees to:
  - A. Implement appropriate administrative, technical, and physical safeguards as are necessary to prevent use or disclosure of PHI other than as permitted by the Agreement that reasonably and appropriately protects the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the PHI in accordance with 45 CFR 164.308,164.310,164.312, and 164.504(e)(2). BA shall comply with the policies and procedures and documentation requirements of the HIPAA Security Rule.
  - B. Report to County within 24 hours of any suspected or actual breach of security, intrusion, or unauthorized use or disclosure of PHI of which BA becomes aware and/or any actual or suspected use or disclosure of data in violation of any applicable federal or state laws or regulations. BA shall take prompt corrective action to cure any such deficiencies and any action pertaining to such unauthorized disclosure required by applicable federal and state laws and regulations.
  - C. Report to County in writing of any access, use or disclosure of PHI not permitted by the Underlying Agreement and this Business Associate Agreement, and any Breach of Unsecured PHI of which it becomes aware without unreasonable delay and in no case later than five (5) days. To the extent the Breach is solely a result of BA's failure to implement reasonable and appropriate safeguards as required by law, and not due in whole or part to the acts or omissions of the County, BA may be required to reimburse the County for notifications required under 45 CFR 164.404 and CFR 164.406.
  - D. BA shall not use or disclose PHI for fundraising or marketing purposes. BA shall not disclose PHI to a health plan for payment or health care operations purposes if the patient has requested this special restriction, and has paid out of pocket in full for the health care item or service to which the PHI solely relates. BA shall not directly or indirectly receive remuneration in exchange of PHI, except with the prior written consent of the County and as permitted by the HITECH Act, 42 USC Section 17935(d)(2); however, this prohibition shall not affect payment by County to BA for services provided pursuant to the Agreement.
- 4. PHI Access, Amendment and Disclosure Accounting. BA agrees to:
  - A. Provide access, at the request of County, within five (5) days, to PHI in a Designated Record Set, to the County, or to an Individual as directed by the County. If BA maintains an Electronic Health Record, BA shall provide such information in electronic format to enable County to fulfill its obligations under the HITECH Act, including, but not limited to, 42 USC Section 17935(e).

- B. Within ten (10) days of receipt of a request from County, incorporate any amendments or corrections to the PHI in accordance with the Privacy Rule in the event that the PHI in BA's possession constitutes a Designated Record Set.
- C. To assist the County in meeting its disclosure accounting under HIPAA:
  - (1) BA agrees to implement a process that allows for an accounting to be collected and maintained by BA and its agents or subcontractors for at least six (6) years prior to the request. However, accounting of disclosure from Electronic Health Record for treatment, payment, or health care operations purposes are required to be collected and maintained for only three (3) years prior to the request, and only to the extent that BA maintains an electronic health record and is subject to this requirement. At the minimum, the information collected shall include: (i) the date of disclosure; (ii) the name of the entity or person who received PHI and, if know, the address of the entity or person; (iii) a brief description of PHI disclosed and; (iv) a brief statement of purpose of the disclosure that reasonably informs the individual of the basis for the disclosure, or a copy of the individual's authorization, or a copy of the written request for disclosure.
  - (2) Within in 30 days of notice by the County, BA agrees to provide to County information collected in accordance with this section to permit the County to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI.
- D. Make available to the County, or to the Secretary of Health and Human Services (the "Secretary"), BA's internal practices, books and records relating to the use of and disclosure of PHI for purposes of determining BA's compliance with the Privacy Rule, subject to any applicable legal restrictions. BA shall provide County a copy of any PHI that BA provides to the Secretary concurrently with providing such information to the Secretary.

# 5. <u>Obligations of County.</u>

- A. County agrees that it will promptly notify BA in writing of any restrictions on the use and disclosure of PHI agreed to by County that may affect BA's ability to perform its obligations under the Underlying Agreement, or this Business Associate Agreement.
- B. County agrees that it will promptly notify BA in writing of any changes in, or revocation of, permission by any Individual to use or disclose PHI, if such changes or revocation may affect BA's ability to perform its obligations under the Underlying Agreement, or this Business Associate Agreement.
- C. County agrees that it will promptly notify BA in writing of any known limitation(s) in its notice of privacy practices to the extent that such limitation may affect BA's use of disclosure of PHI.

- D. County shall not request BA to use or disclose PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under the Privacy Rule if done by County, except as may be expressly permitted by the Privacy Rule.
- E. County will obtain any authorizations necessary for the use or disclosure of PHI, so that BA can perform its obligations under this Business Associate Agreement and/or the Underlying Agreement.

# 6. Term and Termination.

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

### C. Effect of Termination.

- (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this section, upon termination of this Agreement, for any reason, the BA shall, at the option of County, return or destroy all PHI that BA or its agents or subcontractors still maintain in any form, and shall retain no copies of such PHI.
- (2) In the event that the County determines that returning or destroying the PHI is infeasible, BA shall provide to the County notification of the conditions that make return or destruction infeasible, and . BA shall extend the protections of this Agreement to such PHI to those purposes that make the return or destruction infeasible, for so long as the BA maintains such PHI. If County elects destruction of the PHI, BA shall certify in writing to County that such PHI has been destroyed.

# 7. <u>Indemnity</u>

- A. BA shall indemnify and hold harmless all Agencies, Districts, Special Districts and Departments of the County, their respective directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents and representatives (collectively "County") from any liability whatsoever, based or asserted upon any services of BA, its officers, employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives arising out of or in any way relating to BA's performance under this Business Associate Agreement, including but not limited to property damage, bodily injury, or death or any other element of any kind or nature whatsoever including fines, penalties or any other costs and resulting from any reason whatsoever to the extent arising from the performance of BA, its officers, agents, employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives under this Business Associate Agreement. BA shall defend, at its sole expense, all costs and fees including but not limited to attorney fees, cost of investigation, defense and settlements or awards against the County in any claim or action based upon such alleged acts or omissions.
- B. With respect to any action or claim subject to indemnification herein by BA, BA shall, at its sole cost, have the right to use counsel of its choice, subject to the approval of County, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, and shall have the right to adjust, settle, or compromise any such action or claim without the prior consent of County; provided, however, that any such adjustment, settlement or compromise in no manner whatsoever limits or circumscribes BA's indemnification of County as set forth herein. BA's obligation to defend, indemnify and hold harmless County shall be subject to County having given BA written notice within a reasonable period of time of the claim or of the commencement of the related action, as the case may be, and information and reasonable assistance, at BA's expense, for the defense or settlement thereof. BA's obligation hereunder shall be satisfied when BA has provided to County the appropriate form of dismissal relieving County from any liability for the action or claim involved.
- C. The specified insurance limits required in the Underlying Agreement of this Business Associate Agreement shall in no way limit or circumscribe BA's obligations to indemnify and hold harmless the County herein from third party claims arising from the issues of this Business Associate Agreement.
- D. In the event there is conflict between this clause and California Civil Code Section 2782, this clause shall be interpreted to comply with Civil Code Section 2782. Such interpretation shall not relieve the BA from indemnifying the County to the fullest extent allowed by law.
- E. In the event there is a conflict between this indemnification clause and an indemnification clause contained in the Underlying Agreement of this Business Associate Agreement, this indemnification shall only apply to the subject issues included within this Business Associate Agreement.

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