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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
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Dear Supervisors:

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH QUALIFIED SIGN LANGUAGE PROVIDERS THROUGH A REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Request approval to initiate a Request for Statement of Qualifications and to enter into new agreements with qualified service providers who will provide sign language interpreter services for hearing-impaired mental health clients.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve and authorize the Department of Mental Health (DMH) to issue the Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ), in a form substantially similar to that provided in Attachment I, to identify qualified providers of sign language interpreter services, including telephone transcription for hearing-impaired clients throughout Los Angeles County.

2. Delegate authority to the Director of Mental Health, or his designee, to prepare, sign, and execute a Master Agreement, in a format substantially similar to the sample Agreement provided in Attachment II, for the provision of sign language interpreter services with qualified service providers identified through the RFSQ solicitation process, and effective upon the date of execution through June 30, 2014, with an annual maximum County obligation of $75,000, 100 percent offset with Sales Tax Realignment funds.

3. Approve and delegate authority to the Director of Mental Health, or his designee, to extend the term of the Master Agreements for two optional one-year periods from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016.

4. Delegate authority to the Director of Mental Health, or his designee, to execute amendments to the agreements in accordance with increased or decreased interpreter service level needs, provided that: 1) the amendments shall not exceed 20 percent of the previously Board-approved maximum County obligation; 2) your Board has appropriated sufficient funds for all changes; 3) approval of County Counsel and the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), or their designee, is obtained prior to any such amendment; and 4) the Director of Mental Health provides written notification to your Board within 30 days after the execution of any Amendment.

5. Authorize and delegate authority to the Director of Mental Health, or his designee, to add qualified agencies to the pool of service providers and execute agreements substantially similar to the Master Agreement.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

By approving these recommendations, your Board is authorizing DMH to issue a RFSQ substantially similar to Attachment I. The RFSQ solicitation process will allow DMH to create a pool of professional sign language interpreter service providers in various geographical areas throughout Los Angeles County; enter into agreements, substantially similar to Attachment II, with various agencies for the provision of sign language interpreter services, including telephone transcription for hearing-impaired clients throughout Los Angeles County; and add agencies to the pool of qualified sign language interpreters on an ongoing, as-needed basis.

As part of its responsibilities to provide community services in accordance with Federal and State laws, the County of Los Angeles offers professional sign language interpreter services to hearing-impaired persons receiving County services.

DMH has previously used the services of certified bilingual County employees with sign language skills. However, this is not always adequate because there are languages that County staff are not qualified to translate. Due to Los Angeles County's diverse population, some County departments are lacking sign language interpreter services for the non-English speaking portion of its client base.

Therefore, through this RFSQ DMH will establish a list of professional sign language interpreter services throughout the County who will provide services in multiple languages to ensure that hearing-impaired individuals have equal access to mental health services. Additionally, this RFSQ process will identify a pool of qualified vendors to provide supplemental services such as telephone transcription for hearing-impaired clients.

Other County departments, including but not limited to the Departments of Children and Family Services, Health Services, Public Health, and Probation have shown an interest in utilizing DMH's sign language contracts once they are established and each department has reviewed and approved the Statement of Work to ensure the contracted services meet their requirements. Through a Departmental Service Order (DSO), DMH will be reimbursed for the sign language interpreter services used by other County departments.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended Board actions are consistent with the principals of the County Strategic Plan Goal 2, "Children, Family, and Adult Well-Being."

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The maximum annual amount allocated for DMH contracts that are developed through this RFSQ is $75,000. Funding is included in DMH's Fiscal Year 2009-10 Proposed Budget. However, this amount may increase if other County departments utilize a sign language interpreter service provider through this RFSQ and reimburse DMH through a DSO.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and other Federal and State regulations mandate the availability of sign language interpreter services. As part of its responsibilities to provide community mental health services in compliance with Federal, State and local laws, DMH has made professional sign language interpreter services available and accessible at directly-operated and contracted program sites for hearing-impaired persons seeking mental health services. However, due to the increased demand for services and the need for flexibility in providing services throughout all geographic areas of the County, DMH is seeking the assistance of other service providers who will offer a broad range of sign language interpreter services.

DMH will utilize the RFSQ process to identify qualified service providers and extend contracts to those sign language interpreter service providers who demonstrate the ability to meet the requirements of the County.

The RFSQ process is geared to identify skill categories, experience, and services each prospective contractor is capable of providing and allow DMH to assess the prospective service provider's capability to provide the required services in specific geographic locations throughout the County on an as-needed basis. In addition, this RFSQ will identify service providers who offer the most competitive rates, which is a factor that will be considered when the County requests the service from a sign language interpreter service provider.

The RFSQ and the sample Agreement have been approved as to form by County Counsel. The CEO has reviewed the proposed actions.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Upon Board approval, DMH will implement the RFSQ, soliciting Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) from prospective service providers who meet the minimum qualifications listed on the RFSQ.

The solicitation will be posted on the Office of Small Business (OSB) and DMH web sites and mailed to a number of prospective sign language interpreter service providers. Based on evaluation criteria, DMH will select those providers who meet the RFSQ requirements and enter into contracts with them.

Qualified service providers will be offered contracts that will be utilized on an as-needed basis and reimbursed, in arrears, only for services provided. Execution of any agreement does not guarantee a contract amount or allocation of resources. The County will not guarantee a specific or minimum number of referrals or funding amount as referrals will be on an as-needed basis.

As needed, Work Orders will be submitted to contractors that are best able to carry out the assignment based on expertise, geographic location, and/or competitive pricing.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

Board approval of this RFSQ will ensure the continued availability and accessibility of professional sign language interpreter services for hearing-impaired mentally ill clients on both a routine and emergency basis.

CONCLUSION

DMH will need one copy of the adopted Board actions. It is requested that the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors notify DMH's Contracts Development and Administration Division at (213) 738-4684 when this document is available.

Respectfully submitted,

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Marvin J. Southard, D.S.W.
Director of Mental Health

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Attachments (2)

c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Auditor-Controller
Chairperson, Mental Health Commission

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ATTACHMENT I

LOS ANGELES COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS (RFSQ)
SIGN LANGUAGE SERVICES

April 2009

Prepared By
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Department of Mental Health
Contracts Development and Administration Division

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS (RFSQ)
SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER SERVICES
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1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Scope of Work

The County of Los Angeles, Department of Mental Health and other County Social Services Departments are seeking qualified agencies to enter into Master Agreements with the County to provide sign language interpreter services for all hearing-impaired clients who receive services from a County facility. Sign language interpreters may be needed in a clinical setting, training, conference, seminar, and administrative settings. The complete statement of work is included in Appendix H-Master Agreement, Exhibit I. Interested prospective contractors must submit a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) to participate in this Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ).

1.2 Overview of Solicitation Document

This RFSQ is composed of the following parts:

- **GENERAL INFORMATION:** Specifies the Contractor's minimum qualifications, provides information regarding some of the requirements of the Master Agreement and explains the solicitation process.
- **INSTRUCTIONS TO CONTRACTORS:** Contains instructions to Contractors in how to prepare and submit their Statement of Qualifications (SOQ).
- **STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS (SOQ) REVIEW/SELECTION/ QUALIFICATION PROCESS:** Explains how the SOQ will be reviewed, selected and qualified.
- **APPENDICES:**
  - **A - REQUIRED FORMS:** Forms contained in this section must be completed and included in the SOQ.

- **B - TRANSMITTAL FORM TO REQUEST A SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS REVIEW:** Transmittal sent to department requesting a Solicitation Requirements Review.
- **C - COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES POLICY OF DOING BUSINESS WITH SMALL BUSINESS:** County policy.
- **D - JURY SERVICE ORDINANCE:** County policy.
- **E - LISTING OF CONTRACTORS DEBARRED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY:** Contractors who are not allowed to contract with the County for a specific length of time.
- **F - IRS NOTICE 1015:** Provides information on Federal Earned Income Credit.
- **G - SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW:** County program.
- **H - MASTER AGREEMENT:** This will be the Master Agreement used for this solicitation. The terms and conditions shown in the Master Agreement are not negotiable.
- **I - BACKGROUND AND RESOURCES: CALIFORNIA CHARITIES REGULATION:** An information sheet intended to assist Nonprofit agencies with compliance with SB 1262 – the Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004 and identify available resources.
- **J - ATTESTATION OF WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER GAIN/GROW PARTICIPANTS:** County Program

1.3 Target Population

The hearing-impaired citizens of Los Angeles County who wish to access County services.

1.4 Vendor's Minimum Qualifications

Interested and qualified Prospective Contractors that meet the Minimum Qualifications stated below are invited to submit an SOQ.

1.4.1 Prospective Contractor must have 3 years experience, within the last 5 years providing Sign Language Interpreter services or similar to the Services stated in sub-paragraph 1.1 – Scope of Work.

1.4.2 Prospective Contractor shall provide sign language interpreters certified by the National Association of the Deaf (NAD) and Registry of Interpreter for Deaf (RID). Contractor shall provide effective and accessible communication services at a level that will afford the hearing-impaired client optimum benefit and equal to that of their hearing peers. Flexibility with providing services on an as needed basis, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week is highly desired.

1.4.3 Prospective Contractor must be able to demonstrate that their staff have specific training and/or experience that enables them to appropriately interpret and provide sign language in sensitive situations encountered in the course of providing services to a diverse population including persons with a mental illness served by the County and its contract agencies.

1.4.4 Prospective Contractor must be able to provide communication aids for deaf, blind and hearing-impaired clients, such as but not limited to; certified interpreters, note takers, computer aided transcription services, written materials, telephone handset amplifiers, assistive listening systems, telephones compatible with hearing aids, closed caption decoders, open and closed captioning, videotext displays, cued speech transliterators, referrals to Real Time Captionist and exchange of written notes available upon request.

1.4.5 Prospective Contractor must be able to provide NAD and RID certified interpreters in at least one of the following three languages: American Sign Language, Spanish Speaking Sign Language and English language Sign Language.

1.4.6 Prospective Contractor should have an ongoing training program for Interpreters.

1.4.7 Prospective Contractor should have the ability to provide interpreters who can communicate with NON ASL signers.

1.4.8 Prospective Contractor may be given priority if they offer flexibility with providing Interpreters in emergencies. For example, within 30-75 minutes of request, 24 hours a day, 7days a week.

1.5 Master Agreement Process

The objective of this RFSQ process is to secure one or more qualified Contractors to provide Sign Language Interpreter services on as needed basis. Qualified Prospective Contractors will be able to provide the services identified in 1.4 Vendor's Minimum Requirements (above).

1.5.1 Master Agreements with a detailed scope of work will be executed with all Prospective Contractors determined to be qualified.

1.5.2 Upon the Department's execution of these Master Agreements, the qualified contractors will become County Contractors, and services provided by these contractors will be utilized on an as-needed basis with no guarantee of service referrals.

1.6 Master Agreement Term

1.6.1 The term of the Master Agreement will be 5 years with 2 one-year renewal options. Renewal options will be at Department's discretion.

1.6.2 County will be continuously accepting SOQs throughout the duration of the Master Agreement to qualify Contractors. The Master Agreement will become effective upon the date of its execution by the Director of the Department of Mental Health or his designee.

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1.7 County Rights & Responsibilities

The County has the right to amend the RFSQ by written addendum. The County is responsible only for that which is expressly stated in the solicitation document and any authorized written addenda thereto. Such addendum shall be made available to each person or organization which County records indicate has received this RFSQ. Should such addendum require additional information not previously requested, failure to address the requirements of such addendum may result in the SOQ not being considered, as determined in the sole discretion of the County. The County is not responsible for and shall not be bound by any representations otherwise made by any individual acting or purporting to act on its behalf.

1.8 Contact with County Personnel

Any contact regarding this RFSQ or any matter relating thereto must be in writing and may be mailed, e-mailed or faxed as follows:

Mr. Richard Kushi
Department of Mental Health
Contracts Development and Administration Division
550 S. Vermont Ave. 5th floor
Los Angeles, CA 90020
rkushi@dmh.la.county.gov
fax (213) 381-8126

If it is discovered that a Prospective Contractor contacted and received information from any County personnel, other than the person specified above, regarding this solicitation, County, in its sole determination, may disqualify their SOQ from further consideration.

1.9 Mandatory Requirement to Register on County's WebVen

Prior to executing a Master Agreement, all potential Contractors must register in the County's WebVen. The WebVen contains the Contractor's

business profile and identifies the goods/services the business provides. Registration can be accomplished online via the Internet by accessing the County's home page at http://camisvr.co.la.ca.us/webven/ .

1.10 County Option to Reject SOQs

The County may, at its sole discretion, reject any or all SOQs submitted in response to this solicitation. The County shall not be liable for any cost incurred by a Prospective Contractor in connection with preparation and submittal of any SOQ. The County reserves the right to waive inconsequential disparities in a submitted SOQ.

1.11 Protest Process

1.11.1 Any actual or Prospective Contractor may file a protest in connection with the solicitation or award of a Board-approved service contract. It is generally accepted that the Contractor challenging the decision of a County department bears the burden of proof in its claim that the department committed a sufficiently material error in the solicitation process to justify invalidation of a proposed award.

1.11.2 Throughout the review process, the County has no obligation to delay or otherwise postpone an award of contract based on a Contractor protest. In all cases, the County reserves the right to make an award when it is determined to be in the best interest of the County of Los Angeles to do so.

1.11.3 Grounds for Review Unless state or federal statutes or regulations otherwise provide, the grounds for review of any departmental determination or action should be limited to the following:

- Review of Solicitation Requirements Review (Reference sub-paragraph 2.4 in the Instructions to Contractors Section)

- Review of a Disqualified SOQ (Reference sub-paragraph 3.2 in the Review/Selection/Qualification Section)

1.12 Notice to Prospective Contractors Regarding Public Records Act

1.12.1 Responses to this RFSQ shall become the exclusive property of the County. At such time as when the County executes a Master Agreement with the qualified Contractor(s), all such SOQs submitted in response to this RFSQ, become a matter of public record, with the exception of those parts of each SOQ which are defined and identified by the Contractor as business or trade secrets, and plainly marked as "Trade Secret," "Confidential," or "Proprietary."

1.12.2 The County shall not, in any way, be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such record or any parts thereof, if disclosure is required or permitted under the California Public Records Act or otherwise by law. **A blanket statement of confidentiality or the marking of each page of the SOQ as confidential shall not be deemed sufficient notice of exception and may subject the entire SOQ to disclosure. The Prospective Contractor must specifically label only those provisions of the SOQ which are "Trade Secrets," "Confidential," or "Proprietary" in nature.**

1.13 Indemnification and Insurance

Contractor shall be required to comply with the Indemnification provisions contained in *Appendix H - Master Agreement, paragraph10.* Contractor shall procure, maintain, and provide to the County proof of insurance coverage for all the programs of insurance along with associated amounts specified in *Appendix H - Master Agreement, paragraph 10.*

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1.14 Injury & Illness Prevention Program (IIPP)

Contractor shall be required to comply with the State of California's Cal Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA's) regulations. Section 3203 of Title 8 in the California Code of Regulations requires all California employers to have a written, effective Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP) that addresses hazards pertaining to the particular workplace covered by the program.

1.15 Background and Security Investigations

Background and security investigations of staff may be required at the discretion of the County as a condition of beginning and continuing work under any resulting agreement. The cost of background checks is the responsibility of the contractor.

1.16 Confidentiality and Independent Contractor Status

As appropriate, Contractor shall be required to comply with the Confidentiality provision contained in *paragraph 12.0, Appendix H, Master Agreement* and the Independent Contractor Status provision contained in *paragraph 25.0, Appendix H, Master Agreement.*

1.17 Conflict of Interest

No County employee whose position in the County enables him/her to influence the selection of a Contractor for this RFSQ, or any competing RFSQ, nor any spouse of economic dependent of such employees, shall be employed in any capacity by a contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in the selection of a Contractor. Prospective Contractors shall certify that he/she is aware of and has read Section 2.180.010 of the Los Angeles County Code as stated in *Appendix A - Required Forms # 2, Certification of No Conflict of Interest.*

1.18 Determination of Contractor's Responsibility

1.18.1 A responsible contractor is a contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness,

capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible Contractors.

1.18.2 Prospective Contractors are hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, the County may determine whether the Contractor is responsible based on a review of the Contractor's performance on any contracts, including but not limited to County contracts. Particular attention will be given to violations of labor laws related to employee compensation and benefits, and evidence of false claims made by the Contractor against public entities. Labor law violations which are the fault of the subcontractors and of which the Contractor had no knowledge shall not be the basis of a determination that the Prospective Contractor is not responsible.

1.18.3 The County may declare a Prospective Contractor to be non-responsible for purposes of this Master Agreement if the Board of Supervisors, in its discretion, finds that the Prospective Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Prospective Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or omission which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

1.18.4 If there is evidence that the Prospective Contractor may not be responsible, the Department shall notify the Contractor in writing

of the evidence relating to the Prospective Contractor's responsibility, and its intention to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that the Contractor be found not responsible. The Department shall provide the Contractor and/or the Contractor's representative with an opportunity to present evidence as to why the Contractor should be found to be responsible and to rebut evidence which is the basis for the Department's recommendation.

1.18.5 If the Contractor presents evidence in rebuttal to the Department, the Department shall evaluate the merits of such evidence, and based on that evaluation, make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The final decision concerning the responsibility of the Contractor shall reside with the Board of Supervisors.

1.18.6 These terms shall also apply to proposed subcontractors of Contractors on County contracts.

1.19 Contractor Debarment

1.19.1 The Prospective Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, the County may debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on other County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five (5) years but may exceed five (5) years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and the County may terminate any or all of the Contractor's existing contracts with County, if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform

a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

1.19.2 If there is evidence that the apparent highest ranked Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department shall notify the Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment, and shall advise the Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.

1.19.3 The Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether they should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

1.19.4 After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are received, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

1.19.5 If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Contractor may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.

1.19.6 The Contractor Hearing Board will consider requests for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

1.19.7 The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing

Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

1.19.8 These terms shall also apply to proposed subcontractors of Contractors on County contracts.

1.19.9 *Appendix E* provides a link to the County's website where there is a listing of Contractors that are currently on the *Debarment List for Los Angeles County.*

1.20 Contractor's Adherence to County Child Support Compliance Program

Contractors shall 1) fully comply with all applicable State and Federal reporting requirements relating to employment reporting for its employees; and 2) comply with all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Assignment Orders and Notice of Assignment and continue to maintain compliance during the term of any contract that may be awarded pursuant to this solicitation. Failure to comply may be cause for termination of a Master Agreement or initiation of debarment proceedings against the non-compliant Contractor (County Code Chapter 2.202).

1.21 Gratuities

1.21.1 Attempt to Secure Favorable Treatment

It is improper for any County officer, employee or agent to solicit consideration, in any form, from a Contractor with the implication, suggestion or statement that the Contractor's provision of the consideration may secure more favorable treatment for the Contractor in the award of a Master Agreement or that the Contractor's failure to provide such consideration may negatively affect the County's consideration of the Contractor's submission. A Contractor shall not offer or give either directly or

through an intermediary, consideration, in any form, to a County officer, employee or agent for the purpose of securing favorable treatment with respect to the award of a Master Agreement.

1.21.2 **Contractor Notification to County**

A Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer, employee or agent to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861. Failure to report such a solicitation may result in the Contractor's submission being eliminated from consideration.

1.21.3 **Form of Improper Consideration**

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

1.22 Notice to Contractors Regarding the County Lobbyist Ordinance

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has enacted an ordinance regulating the activities of persons who lobby County officials. This ordinance, referred to as the "Lobbyist Ordinance", defines a County Lobbyist and imposes certain registration requirements upon individuals meeting the definition. The complete text of the ordinance can be found in County Code Chapter 2.160. In effect, each person, corporation or other entity that seeks a County permit, license, franchise or contract must certify compliance with the ordinance. As part of this solicitation process, it will be the responsibility of each Contractor to review the ordinance independently as the text of said ordinance is not contained within this RFSQ. Thereafter, each person, corporation or other entity submitting a response to this solicitation, must certify that each County

Lobbyist, as defined by Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010, retained by the Contractor is in full compliance with Chapter 2.160 of the Los Angeles County Code and each such County Lobbyist is not on the Executive Office's List of Terminated Registered Lobbyists by completing and submitting the *Familiarity with the County Lobbyist Ordinance Certification,* as set forth in *Appendix A - Required Forms # 5,* as part of their SOQ.

1.23 Federal Earned Income Credit

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Internal Revenue Service Notice No. 1015 (*Appendix F).*

1.24 Consideration of GAIN/GROW Participants for Employment

As a threshold requirement for consideration of a Master Agreement, Contractors shall demonstrate a proven record of hiring participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Programs or shall attest to a willingness to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment openings if they meet the minimum qualifications for that opening. Additionally, Contractors shall attest to a willingness to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to the Contractor's employee mentoring program, if available, to assist these individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or promotional opportunities. Contractors who are unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for a Master Agreement.

Contractors shall complete and return the form, *Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participants,* as set forth in *Appendix A - Required Forms 9,* as part of their SOQ.

1.25 County's Quality Assurance Plan

After award of a Master Agreement the County or its agent will evaluate the Contractor's performance under the Master Agreement on an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing Contractor's compliance with all terms in the Master Agreement and performance standards identified in the Agreement. Contractor's deficiencies which the County determines are severe or continuing and that may jeopardize performance of this Master Agreement will be reported to the County's Board of Supervisors. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate the Master Agreement in whole or in part, or impose other penalties as specified in the Master Agreement

1.26 Recycled Bond Paper

Contractor shall be required to comply with the County's policy on recycled bond paper as specified in *Appendix H - Master Agreement, Paragraph 38.*

1.27 Safely Surrendered Baby Law

The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in *Appendix G* of this solicitation document and is also available on the Internet at www.babysafela.org for printing purposes.

1.28 County Policy on Doing Business with Small Business

1.28.1 The County has multiple programs that address small businesses. The Board of Supervisors encourages small business participation in the County's contracting process by constantly streamlining and simplifying our selection process and expanding opportunities for small businesses to compete for our business.

1.28.2 The Local Small Business Enterprise Preference Program requires the Company to complete a certification process. This program and how to obtain certification are further explained in paragraph 1.30 of this RFSQ.

1.28.3 The Jury Service Program provides exceptions to the Program if a company qualifies as a Small Business. It is important to note that each Program has a different definition for Small Business. You may qualify as a Small Business in one Program but not the other. Further explanation of the Jury Service Program is provided in paragraph 1.29 of this RFSQ.

1.28.4 The County also has a Policy on Doing Business with Small Business that is stated in *Appendix C.*

1.29 Jury Service Program

The prospective contract is subject to the requirements of the County's Contractor Employee Jury Service Ordinance ("Jury Service Program") (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203). Prospective Contractors should carefully read the *Jury Service Ordinance, Appendix D,* and the pertinent jury service provisions of the *Appendix H - Master Agreement, paragraph 44.0,* both of which are incorporated by reference into and made a part of this RFSQ. The Jury Service Program applies to both Contractors and their Subcontractors. SOQs that fail to comply with the

requirements of the Jury Service Program will be considered non-responsive and excluded from further consideration.

1.29.1 The Jury Service Program requires Contractors and their Subcontractors to have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service. For purposes of the Jury Service Program, "employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a Contractor and "full-time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) the Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Therefore, the Jury Service Program applies to all of a Contractor's full-time California employees, even those not working specifically on the County project. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program.

1.29.2 There are two ways in which a Contractor might not be subject to the Jury Service Program. The first is if the Contractor does not fall within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor". The Jury Service Program defines "Contractor" to mean a person, partnership, corporation of other entity which has a contract with the County or a Subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of $50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more

County contracts or subcontracts. The second is if the Contractor meets one of the two exceptions to the Jury Service Program. The first exception concerns small businesses and applies to Contractors that have 1) ten or fewer employees; and, 2) annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of this contract is less than $500,000, and, 3) is not an "affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation". The second exception applies to Contractors that possess a collective bargaining agreement that expressly supersedes the provisions of the Jury Service Program. The Contractor is subject to any provision of the Jury Service Program not expressly superseded by the collective bargaining agreement.

1.29.3 If a Contractor does not fall within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if it meets any of the exceptions to the Jury Service Program, then the Contractor must so indicate in the *Contractor Employee Jury Service Program Certification Form and Application for Exception,* as set forth in *Appendix A - Required Forms #10,* and include with its submission all necessary documentation to support the claim such as tax returns or a collective bargaining agreement, if applicable. Upon reviewing the Contractor's application, the County will determine, in its sole discretion, whether the Contractor falls within the definition of Contractor or meets any of the exceptions to the Jury Service Program. The County's decision will be final.

1.30 Local Small Business Enterprise Preference Program

1.30.1 In reviewing Work Order Bids, the County will give Local SBE preference to businesses that meet the definition of a Local Small Business Enterprise (Local SBE), consistent with Chapter 2.204.030C.1 of the Los Angeles County Code. A Local SBE is

defined as: 1) A business certified by the State of California as a small business and; 2) has had its principal office located in Los Angeles County for a period of at least one year. The business must be certified by the Office of Affirmative Action Compliance as meeting the requirements set forth in 1 and 2 above prior to requesting the Local SBE Preference in a solicitation.

1.30.2 To apply for certification as a Local SBE, companies may register at the Office of Affirmative Action Compliance's website at:

http://oaac.co.la.ca.us/contract/sbemain.html

1.30.3 Certified Local SBEs must request the SBE Preference in each of their Work Order Bid responses and may not request the preference unless the certification process has been completed and certification affirmed. Sanctions and financial penalties may apply to a business that knowingly, and with intent to defraud, seeks to obtain or maintain certification as a certified Local SBE.

1.30.4 Information about the State's small business enterprise certification regulations is in the California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Subchapter 8, Section 1896 et seq., and is also available on the California Department of General Services Office of Small Business Certification and Resources Web site at http://www.pd.dgs.ca.gov/smbus/default.

1.31 Local Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Prompt Payment Program

It is the intent of the County that Certified Local SBEs receive prompt payment for services they provide to County departments. Prompt payment is defined as 15 calendar days after receipt of an undisputed invoice.

1.32 Notification to County of Pending Acquisitions/Mergers by Proposing Company

The Contractor shall notify the County of any pending acquisitions/mergers of their company. This information shall be provided by the Contractor on *Appendix A, Required Form - #1 – Proposer's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit.* Failure of the Contractor to provide this information may eliminate its SOQ from any further consideration.

1.33 Transitional Job Opportunities Preference Program

1.33.1 In reviewing Work Order Bids, the County will give preference to businesses that are certified by the County as Transitional Job Opportunity Contractors, consistent with Chapter 2.205 of the Los Angeles County Code. A Certified Transitional Job Opportunity Contractor is, and has been such for three (3) years, an entity: 1) that is a non-profit organization recognized as tax exempt pursuant to section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Services Code; set forth, under penalty of perjury, such information as requested by the County on either electronic or hard copy forms, along with their application form and three most recent annual tax returns to the department with their proposal response to the contracting solicitation for which they are competing; 2) has been in operation for at least one year providing transitional job and the related supportive services to program participants; and 3) provide a profile of their program with a description of their program components designed to assist program participants, number of past program participants, and any other information requested by a contracting department.

1.33.2 Transitional Job Opportunities Contractors must request the preference in each of their Work Order Bid responses and may not receive the preference until their certification has been affirmed by the applicable department. County must verify the Transitional Job Opportunity Contractor certification prior to applying the preference. Sanctions and financial penalties may apply to a Bidder that knowingly and with intent to defraud seeks to obtain or maintain certification as a Transitional Job Opportunities Contractor.

1.34 Contractor's Obligations as a "Business Associate" Under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)

Contractor shall be required to comply with the Administrative Simplification requirements of the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and as may be revised in the future, as contained in *Appendix H - Master Agreement, paragraph 42* .

1.35 Contractor's Charitable Contributions Compliance

1.35.1 California's "Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act" regulates receiving and raising charitable contributions. Among other requirements, those subject to the Charitable Purposes Act must register. The 2004 Nonprofit Integrity Act (SB 1262, Chapter 919) increased Charitable Purposes Act requirements. New rules cover California public benefit corporations, unincorporated associations, and trustee entities and may include similar foreign corporations doing business or holding property in California. Key Nonprofit Integrity Act requirements affect executive compensation, fund-raising practices and documentation. Charities with over $2 million of revenues (excluding funds that

must be accounted for to a governmental entity) have new audit requirements.

1.35.2 All prospective contractors must determine if they receive or raise charitable contributions which subject them to the Charitable Purposes Act and complete the *Charitable Contributions Certification, Appendix A--Required Form #9*. A completed Required Form #9 is a required part of any agreement with the County.

1.35.3 In Required Form #9, prospective contractors certify either that:

- they have determined that they do not now receive or raise charitable contributions regulated under the California Charitable Purposes Act, (including the Nonprofit Integrity Act) but will comply if they become subject to coverage of those laws during the term of a County agreement, **OR**
- they are currently complying with their obligations under the Charitable Purposes Act, attaching a copy of their most recent filing with the Registry of Charitable Trusts.

1.35.4 Prospective County contractors that do not complete Required Form #9 as part of the solicitation process may, in the County's sole discretion, be disqualified from contract award. A County contractor that fails to comply with its obligations under the Charitable Purposes Act is subject to either contract termination or debarment proceedings or both. (County Code Chapter 2.202)

2.0 INSTRUCTIONS TO PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTORS

This Section contains key project dates and activities as well as instructions to Prospective Contractors in how to prepare and submit their Statement of Qualifications (SOQ).

2.1 County Responsibility

The County is not responsible for representations made by any of its officers or employees prior to the execution of the Master Agreement unless such understanding or representation is included in the Master Agreement.

2.2 Truth and Accuracy of Representations

False, misleading, incomplete, or deceptively unresponsive statements in connection with an SOQ shall be sufficient cause for rejection of the SOQ. The evaluation and determination in this area shall be at the Director's sole judgment and his/her judgment shall be final.

2.3 RFSQ Timetable

The timetable for this RFSQ is as follows:

- Release of RFSQ ..... April 22, 2009
- Request for a Solicitation Requirements Review Due ... April 29, 2009
- Written Questions Due (optional) ..... May 1, 2009
- Conference Date *(optional)* ..... May 8, 2009
- Questions and Answers Released May14, 2009
- SOQ due by (date and time) (Pacific Time) ..... May 19, 2009

2.4 Solicitation Requirements Review

A person or entity may seek a Solicitation Requirements Review by submitting *Appendix B - Transmittal Form to Request a RFSQ Solicitation Requirements Review* along with supporting documentation. A Solicitation Requirements Review shall only be granted under the following circumstances:

- The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review is received by the department by April 29, 2009;
- The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review includes documentation, which demonstrates the underlying ability of the person or entity to submit a bid;

- The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review itemizes in appropriate detail, each matter contested and factual reasons for the requested review; and
- The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review asserts either that:
  - application of the minimum requirements, review criteria and/or business requirements unfairly disadvantage the Contractor; or,
  - due to unclear instructions, the process may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses from the Contractors.

The Solicitation Requirements Review shall be completed and the department's determination shall be provided to the Contractor, in writing, within a reasonable time prior to the SOQ due date.

All Requests for Review should be submitted to:

Mr. Richard Kushi
Department of Mental Health
Contracts Development and Administration Division
550 S. Vermont Ave. 5th floor
Los Angeles, CA 90020

2.5 Prospective Contractor's Questions

Prospective Contractors may submit written questions regarding this RFSQ by mail, fax or e-mail to the Contracts Analyst identified below. All questions must be received by May 1, 2009. All questions, without identifying the submitting firm, will be compiled with the appropriate answers and issued as an addendum to the RFSQ.

When submitting questions, please specify the RFSQ section number, paragraph number, and page number and quote the passage that prompted the question. This will ensure that the question can be quickly found in the RFSQ. County reserves the right to group similar questions when providing answers. Questions may address concerns that the application of minimum requirements, evaluation criteria and/or business

requirements would unfairly disadvantage Contractors or, due to unclear instructions, may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses from Contractor.

Questions should be addressed to:

Mr. Richard Kushi
Department of Mental Health
Contracts Development and Administration Division
550 S. Vermont Ave. 5th floor
Los Angeles, CA 90020

2.6 Prospective Contractor's Conference

A Prospective Contractor's Conference will be held to discuss the RFSQ. County staff will respond to questions from potential Contractors. The conference is scheduled as follows:

Date	**May 12, 2009**
Time	**1:00 pm – 3:00 p.m.**
Address	**550 S. Vermont Avenue**
	11th Floor Conference Room
	Los Angeles, CA 90020

2.7 Preparation and Format of the SOQ

All SOQs must be bound and submitted in the prescribed format. Any SOQ that deviates from this format may be rejected without review at the County's sole discretion.

The content and sequence of the SOQ must be as follows:

- Table of Contents
- Vendor's Qualifications (Section A)
- Required Forms (Section B)
- Proof of Insurability (Section C)
- Proof of licenses (Section D

2.7.1 **Table of Contents**

The Table of Contents must be a comprehensive listing of material included in the SOQ. This section must include a clear definition of the material, identified by sequential page numbers and by section reference numbers.

2.7.2 **Contractor's Qualifications Written Statement of Qualification (Section A)**

Prospective Contractor shall provide a written narrative not to exceed two double spaced type written pages to explain how the Contractor's organization meets the requirements to perform the required services.

A. **Background and Experience:** The contractor shall complete, sign and date the Proposer's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit – Required Form 1 as set forth in Appendix A. The person signing the form must be authorized to sign on behalf of the Contractor and bind the applicant in a Master Agreement. Provide a summary of relevant background information to demonstrate that the Contractor meets the minimum qualifications stated in paragraph 1.4 of this RFSQ and has capability to perform the required services as a corporation or other entity.

Required Support Documents: Taking into account the structure of the Contractor's organization, Contractor shall determine which of the below referenced supporting documents the County requires. If the Contractor's organization does not fit into one of these categories, upon receipt of the SOQ or at some later time, the County may, in its discretion, request additional documentation regarding the Contractor's business organization and authority of individuals to sign Contracts.

If the below referenced documents are not available at the time of SOQ submission, Contractors must request the appropriate

documents from the California Secretary of State and provide a statement on the status of the request.

Corporations or Limited Liability Company (LLC):

The Contractor must submit the following documentation with the SOQ:

1) A copy of a "Certificate of Good Standing" with the state of incorporation/organization.

2) A conformed copy of the most recent "Statement of Information" as filed with the California Secretary of State listing corporate officers or members and managers.

Limited Partnership:

The Contractor must submit a conformed copy of the Certificate of Limited Partnership or Application for Registration of Foreign Limited Partnership as filed with the California Secretary of State, and any amendments.

B. **Contractor's References**

It is the Contractor's sole responsibility to ensure that the firm's name, and point of contact's name, title and phone number for each reference is accurate.

County may disqualify a Contractor if:

- references fail to substantiate Contractor's description of the services provided; or
- references fail to support that Contractor has a continuing pattern of providing capable, productive and skilled personnel, or
- the Department is unable to reach the point of contact with reasonable effort. It is the Contractor's responsibility to inform the point of contact of normal working hours.

Contractor must provide 5 references where the same or similar scope of services were provided. Contractor must complete,

Prospective Contractor References, Appendix A-Required Form # 6.

Contractor must complete the *Prospective Contractor List of Contracts, Appendix A- Required Form #7.* The listing must include all Public Entities contracts for the last three (3) years. A photocopy of this form should be used if necessary.

The same information may be listed on both forms –Appendix A, Required Forms # 6 and 7.

C. **Contractor's Pending Litigation and Judgments**

Identify by name, case and court jurisdiction any pending litigation in which Contractor is involved, or judgments against Contractor in the past five (5) years. Provide a statement describing the size and scope of any pending or threatening litigation against the Contractor or principals of the Contractor.

2.7.3 **Required Forms (Section B)**

Include the following forms as provided in Appendix A – Required Forms. Complete, sign and date all forms.

Required Form 2	*Certification of No Conflict of Interest*
Required Form 3	*Vendor's Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Certification*
Required Form 4	*Request for Local SBE Preference Program Consideration and CBE Firm/Organization Information*
Required Form 5	*Familiarity with the County Lobbyist Ordinance Certification*
Required Form 6	*Prospective* Contractor's References
Required Form 7	*Prospective Contractor's list of Contracts*
Required Form 8	*Prospective Contractor List of Terminated Contracts*

Required Form 9	*Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participants*
Required Form 10	*Los Angeles County Contractor Employee Jury Service Program Certification Form and Application for Exception*
Required Form 11	*Charitable Contributions Certification (if applicable)*
Required Form 12	*Attestation Regarding Federally Funded Programs*

2.7.4 **Proof of Insurability (Section C)**

Contractor must provide proof of insurability that meets all insurance requirements set forth in the *Appendix H - Master Agreement, paragraph 10.* If a Contractor does not currently have the required coverage, a letter from a qualified insurance carrier indicating a willingness to provide the required coverage should the Contractor be selected to receive a Master Agreement award may be submitted with the SOQ.

2.7.5 **Proof of Licenses (Section D)**

Contractor must furnish a copy of all applicable business licenses.

2.7.6 **Jury Service Program Certification Form**

The Jury Service Program applies to both Contractors and their Subcontractors. SOQs that fail to comply with the requirements of the Jury Service Program will be considered non-responsive and excluded from further consideration. (Appendix D)

2.8 SOQ Submission

The complete original SOQ and two (2) copies labeled as Copy #1 and Copy #2, of the complete SOQ shall be submitted. The original SOQ shall be typewritten or word-processed with a one (1) inch margin on all sides on 8 1/2" x 11" white bond paper. Each SOQ (including copies) shall be placed in separate three-ring binders for a total of three, three-ring binders. Each

binder shall have tabs for each section letter of the SOQ. SOQs and all documents submitted in connection with this RFSQ shall be securely bound in a three-ring binder which can be easily opened and closed, for the removal of material by COUNTY, identified by prospective Contractor as "Trade Secrets", "Confidential", or "Proprietary". No paper clipped, stapled, or rubber banded documents shall be accepted. All SOQ pages shall be clearly and consecutively numbered. The SOQ and any related information shall be delivered or mailed to:

County of Los Angeles
Department of Mental Health
Contracts Development & Administration Division
550 S. Vermont Ave. 5th floor
Los Angeles, California 90020

It is the sole responsibility of the submitting Contractor to ensure that its SOQ is received before the submission deadline of 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, May 19, 2009. Submitting Contractors shall bear all risks associated with delays in delivery by any person or entity, including the U.S. Mail. No facsimile (fax) or electronic mail (e-mail) copies will be accepted.

2.9 Acceptance of Terms and Conditions of Master Agreement

Contractors understand and agree that submission of the SOQ constitutes acknowledgement and acceptance of, and a willingness to comply with, all terms and conditions of the *Appendix H - Master Agreement.*

2.10 SOQ Withdrawals

The prospective Contractor may withdraw its SOQ at any time prior to the date and time which is set forth herein as the deadline for acceptance of SOQs, upon written request from the authorized signatory for the

prospective Contractor. The written request shall be submitted to:

County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health
Contracts Development & Administration Division
550 S. Vermont Ave. 5th floor
Los Angeles, CA 90020

3.0 SOQ REVIEW/SELECTION/QUALIFICATION PROCESS

3.1 Review Process

SOQs will be subject to a detailed review by qualified County staff. The review process will include the following steps:

3.1.1 Adherence to Minimum Qualifications

County shall review the *Proposer's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit –Required Form # 1 of Appendix A,* and determine if the Contractor meets the minimum qualifications as outlined in Paragraph 1.4 of this RFSQ.

Failure of the Contractor to comply with the minimum qualifications may eliminate its SOQ from any further consideration. The Department may elect to waive any informality in an SOQ if the sum and substance of the SOQ is present.

3.1.2 Contractor's Qualifications (Section A)

County's review shall include the following:

- Contractor's Narrative on their requirements
- Contractor's Background and Experience as provided in *Proposer's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit –in Section A* of the SOQ.
- Contractor's References as provided in Section A, Appendix A—Required form 6. The review will include verification of references submitted, a review of the County's Contract Database, if applicable, reflecting past performance history on County contracts, and a review of terminated contracts.

- A review to determine the magnitude of any pending litigation or judgments against the Contractor as provided in Section 2.7.2. C of this RFSQ.

3.1.3 **Required Forms**

All forms listed in Section 2.73 of this RFSQ must be included in Section B of the SOQ.

3.1.4 **Proof of Insurability**

Review the proof of insurance provided in Paragraph 2.7.4, Section C of the SOQ.

3.1.5 **Proof of Licenses**

Review the proof of licenses provided in Paragraph 2.7.5, Section D of the SOQ.

3.2 Disqualification Review

3.2.1 All bidders who are disqualified for failure to meet the minimum requirements may, if they can demonstrate that they meet the minimum requirements, submit a new SOQ six months from the date of their disqualification.

3.2.2 An SOQ may be disqualified from consideration because the County determined it was a non-responsive SOQ at any time during the review process. If the County determines that an SOQ is disqualified due to non-responsiveness, the County shall notify the Contractor in writing.

Upon receipt of the written determination of non-responsiveness, the Contractor may submit a written request for a Disqualification Review by the date specified. Requests for a Disqualification Review not timely submitted will be denied.

A Disqualification Review shall only be granted under the following circumstances:

A. The firm/person requesting a Disqualification Review is a Contractor;

B. The request for a Disqualification Review is submitted timely; and,

C. The request for a Disqualification Review asserts that the department's determination of disqualification due to SOQ non-responsiveness was erroneous (e.g. factual errors, etc.) and provides factual support on each ground asserted as well as copies of all documents and other material that support the assertions.

The Disqualification Review shall be completed and the department's determination shall be provided to the Contractor, in writing, prior to the conclusion of the review process.

3.3 Selection/Qualification Process

The Department will generally select Contractors that have experience in providing a broad range of Sign Language Interpreter services. However, in order to insure the Department has at its disposal a varied pool of qualified Contractors, the Department may offer Master Agreements to Contractors that offer a narrow scope of services in more highly specialized areas.

3.4 Master Agreement Award

Contractors who are notified by the Department that they appear to have the necessary qualifications and experience (i.e., they are qualified) may still not be recommended for a Master Agreement (Appendix H) if other requirements necessary for award have not been met. Other requirements may include acceptance of the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement, and/or satisfactory documentation that required insurance will be obtained. Only when all such matters have been demonstrated to the Department's satisfaction can a Prospective Contractor, which is otherwise deemed qualified, be regarded as "selected" for recommendation of a Master Agreement.

The Department will execute Board of Supervisors-authorized Master Agreements with each selected Contractor. All Contractors will be informed of the final selections.

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VENDOR'S ORGANIZATION QUESTIONNAIRE/AFFIDAVIT

Please complete, date and sign this form. The person signing the form must be authorized to sign on behalf of the Proposer and to bind the applicant to an offer and contract. ***(Attach additional pages if needed)***

1. If your firm is a corporation, state its legal name (as found in your Articles or Certificate of Incorporation) and State of incorporation:

   Name: _____

   State: _____ Year of Inc. : _____

2. If your firm is a limited liability company, state its legal name, state of organization and managing member(s) or manager(s):

   Name: _____

   State: _____ Year of Org. : _____

   Name of Manager(s) or Managing Member(s): _____

3. If your firm is a sole proprietorship or a partnership, state the name of the proprietor or all partners including limited partners, and identify the managing partner(s):

   Name of Proprietor: _____

   "or" Name of all Partners: _____

   Name of Managing Partner(s): _____

4. If your firm is doing business under one or more DBAs, please list all DBAs and the localities of registration:

   Name: _____

   Locality of Registration: _____ Year became DBA: _____

   Name: _____

   Locality of Registration: _____ Year became DBA: _____

5. Is your firm wholly - or majority - owned by, or a subsidiary of, another entity? Yes ☐ No ☐

   "If yes", Name of Parent entity: _____

   State of incorporation or registration of parent entity: _____

6. Please list any other names your firm has used within the last five (5) years:

   Name: _____

   Year of Name Change: _____

7. Is your firm is considering, discussing, or otherwise in any way involved in any potential or pending acquisition/merger? If yes, describe the proposed transaction and provide the associated company name. (If not applicable, so indicate below.)

   _____

Prospective Contractor acknowledges and certifies that it meets and will comply with all of the Minimum Qualifications listed in Section 1.4 Vendor's Minimum Qualifications, of this Request for Qualification. Please check the appropriate boxes listed below:

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No Sub-paragraph 1.4.2** Prospective Contractor will provide qualified sign language interpreters certified in American Sign Language (ASL) 24 hours a day/7 days a week. Please list all other sign languages i.e., Spanish, Chinese you are able to provide translation services for_____.

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No Sub-paragraph 1.4.3** Prospective Contractor will provide documentation of training for each employee assigned under prospective contract.

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No Sub-paragraph 1.4.4** Prospective Contractor is able to provide communication aids for deaf, blind and hearing-impaired clients.

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No Sub-paragraph 1.4.5** Prospective Contractor is able to provide NAD and RID Certified Interpreters in American Sign Language, Spanish Sign language and English Sign language.

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No Sub-paragraph 1.4.6** Prospective Contractor has an on-going training program for ASL interpreters.

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No Sub-paragraph 1.4.7** Prospective Contractor is able to provide interpreters for Non-ASL user deaf, blind and hearing-impaired clients.

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No Sub-paragraph 1.4.8** Prospective Contractor is able to provide interpreters in emergencies within 30 minutes of request, 24 hours a day/7days a week.

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No Sub-paragraph 1.13** Prospective Contractor must meet insurance requirements General Insurance Requirements.

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No Sub-paragraph 1.21** Prospective Contractor must comply with the County's Child Support Compliance Program.

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No Sub-paragraph 1.25** Prospective Contractor must respond positively to a willingness to consider hiring GAIN/GROW participants.

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No Sub-paragraph 1.30** certify intent to comply with the County's Jury Service Program.

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** Prospective Contractor must prove fiscal viability as evidenced through a review and evaluation of financial documents.

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No Sub-paragraph 2.4.1.13** Prospective Contractor must provide at least five (5) references relating to the same or similar scope of services provided within the last three years. It is desirable that one reference be from a public entity.

Please check areas in which you will be able to provide services:

A. ☐ Civic Center C. ☐ Hollywood-Miracle Mile E. ☐ W. San Gabriel Valley G. ☐ Palmdale- Lancaster

B. ☐ South County D. ☐ Willowbrook-Watts-Florence F. ☐ Northridge-Burbank H. ☐ San Fernando-Newhall

I. ☐ Any Area

APPENDIX A
VENDOR'S ORGANIZATION QUESTIONNAIRE/AFFIDAVIT

Vendor acknowledges and certifies that it meets and will comply with all of the Minimum Qualifications listed in Paragraph 1.4 - Minimum Qualifications, of this Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ), as listed below.

(list each minimum qualification stated in Paragraph 1.4)

Check the appropriate boxes:

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** Sub-paragraph 1.4.1 _____ years experience, within the last ___ years

Applicant further acknowledges that if any false, misleading, incomplete, or deceptively unresponsive statements in connection with this SOQ are made, the SOQ may be rejected. The evaluation and determination in this area shall be at the Director's sole judgment and his/her judgment shall be final.

Corporation's Name:

_____

Address:

_____

_____

e-mail address:_____ Telephone number:_____

Fax number: _____

On behalf of _____ (Vendor's name), I _____ (Name of Vendor's authorized representative), certify that the information contained in this Vendor's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

_____ _____
Signature Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

_____ _____
Title California Business License Number

_____ _____
Date County WebVen Number

CERTIFICATION OF NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Los Angeles County Code, Section 2.180.010, provides as follows:

CONTRACTS PROHIBITED

Notwithstanding any other section of this Code, the County shall not contract with, and shall reject any proposals submitted by, the persons or entities specified below, unless the Board of Supervisors finds that special circumstances exist which justify the approval of such contract:

1. **Employees of the County or of public agencies for which the Board of Supervisors is the governing body;**

2. **Profit-making firms or businesses in which employees described in number 1 serve as officers, principals, partners, or major shareholders;**

3. **Persons who, within the immediately preceding 12 months, came within the provisions of number 1, and who:**

    a. **Were employed in positions of substantial responsibility in the area of service to be performed by the contract; or**

    b. **Participated in any way in developing the contract or its service specifications; and**

4. **Profit-making firms or businesses in which the former employees, described in number 3, serve as officers, principals, partners, or major shareholders.**

Contracts submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval or ratification shall be accompanied by an assurance by the submitting department, district or agency that the provisions of this section have not been violated.

_____
Vendor Name

_____
Vendor Official Title

_____
Official's Signature

VENDOR'S EEO CERTIFICATION

Company Name

Address

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

GENERAL

In accordance with provisions of the County Code of the County of Los Angeles, the Vendor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by such firm, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and will be treated equally by the firm without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, or sex and in compliance with all anti-discrimination laws of the United States of America and the State of California.

CERTIFICATION	YES	NO
1. Vendor has written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment.	( )	( )
2. Vendor periodically conducts a self-analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.	( )	( )
3. Vendor has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.	( )	( )
4. When areas are identified in employment practices, Vendor has a system for taking reasonable corrective action to include establishment of goal and/or timetables.	( )	( )

Signature

Date

Name and Title of Signer (please print)

County of Los Angeles – Community Business Enterprise Program (CBE)

Request for Local SBE Preference Program Consideration and CBE Firm/Organization Information Form

INSTRUCTIONS: All proposers/bidders responding to this solicitation must complete and return this form for proper consideration of the proposal/bid.

I. **LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PREFERENCE PROGRAM:**

FIRM NAME: _____

COUNTY VENDOR NUMBER: _____

- ❑ As a Local SBE, certified by the County of Los Angeles Office of Affirmative Action Compliance, I request this proposal/bid be considered for the Local SBE Preference.
- ❑ Attached is my Local SBE Certification letter issued by the County

II. **FIRM/ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:** The information requested below is for statistical purposes only. On final analysis and consideration of award, contractor/vendor will be selected without regard to race/ethnicity, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation or disability.

Business Structure: ❑ Sole Proprietorship ❑ Partnership ❑ Corporation ❑ Non-Profit ❑ Franchise ❑ Other (Please Specify) _____

Total Number of Employees (including owners):

Race/Ethnic Composition of Firm. Please distribute the above total number of individuals into the following categories:

Race/Ethnic Composition	Owners/Partners/ Associate Partners		Managers		Staff	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Black/African American						
Hispanic/Latino						
Asian or Pacific Islander						
American Indian						
Filipino						
White						

III. **PERCENTAGE OF OWNERSHIP IN FIRM:** Please indicate by percentage (%) how ownership of the firm is distributed.

	Black/African American	Hispanic/ Latino	Asian or Pacific Islander	American Indian	Filipino	White
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%
Women	%	%	%	%	%	%

IV. **CERTIFICATION AS MINORITY, WOMEN, DISADVANTAGED, AND DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISES:**
If your firm is currently certified as a minority, women, disadvantaged or disabled veteran owned business enterprise by a public agency, complete the following and attach a copy of your proof of certification. (Use back of form, if necessary.)

Agency Name	Minority	Women	Dis-advantaged	Disabled Veteran	Expiration Date

V. **DECLARATION: I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND ACCURATE.**

Print Authorized Name	Authorized Signature	Title	Date

Request for Local SBE Preference Program Consideration and CBE Firm/Organization Information Form

INSTRUCTIONS: All proposers/bidders responding to this solicitation must complete and return this form for proper consideration of the proposal/bid.

I. **LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PREFERENCE PROGRAM:**

FIRM NAME: _____

CAGE CODE:_____ **NAICS CODE:**_____

- ❑ As a business registered as 'Small' on the federal Central Contractor Registration (CCR) data base, I request this proposal/bid be considered for the Local SBE Preference.
- ❑ The NAICS Code shown corresponds to the services in this solicitation.
- ❑ Attached is my CCR certification page.

II. **FIRM/ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:** The information requested below is for statistical purposes only. On final analysis and consideration of award, contractor/vendor will be selected without regard to race/ethnicity, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation or disability.

Business Structure: ❑ Sole Proprietorship ❑ Partnership ❑ Corporation ❑ Non-Profit ❑ Franchise ❑ Other (Please Specify) _____

Total Number of Employees (including owners):

Race/Ethnic Composition of Firm. Please distribute the above total number of individuals into the following categories:

Race/Ethnic Composition	Owners/Partners/ Associate Partners		Managers		Staff	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Black/African American						
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Asian or Pacific Islander						
American Indian						
Filipino						
White						

III. **PERCENTAGE OF OWNERSHIP IN FIRM:** Please indicate by percentage (%) how ownership of the firm is distributed.

	Black/African American	Hispanic/ Latino	Asian or Pacific Islander	American Indian	Filipino	White
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%
Women	%	%	%	%	%	%

IV. **CERTIFICATION AS MINORITY, WOMEN, DISADVANTAGED, AND DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISES:** *If your firm is currently certified as a minority, women, disadvantaged or disabled veteran owned business enterprise by a public agency, complete the following and attach a copy of your proof of certification. (Use back of form, if necessary.)*

Agency Name	Minority	Women	Dis-advantaged	Disabled Veteran	Expiration Date

V. **DECLARATION: I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND ACCURATE.**

Print Authorized Name	Authorized Signature	Title	Date

FAMILIARITY WITH THE COUNTY LOBBYIST ORDINANCE CERTIFICATION

The Vendor certifies that:

1) it is familiar with the terms of the County of Los Angeles Lobbyist Ordinance, Los Angeles Code Chapter 2.160;

2) that all persons acting on behalf of the Vendor organization have and will comply with it during the proposal process; and

3) it is not on the County's Executive Office's List of Terminated Registered Lobbyists.

Signature:_____ Date:_____

PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR REFERENCES

Contractor's Name: _____

List five (5) references where the same or similar scope of services were provided in order to meet the Minimum Qualifications stated in this solicitation.

1. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract		Type of Service	Dollar Amt.
2. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract		Type of Service	Dollar Amt.
3. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract		Type of Service	Dollar Amt.
4. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract		Type of Service	Dollar Amt.
5. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract		Type of Service	Dollar Amt.

PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR LIST OF CONTRACTS

Contractor's Name: _____

List of all public entities for which the Contractor has provided service within the last three (3) years. Use additional sheets if necessary.

1. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract		Type of Service	Dollar Amt.
2. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract		Type of Service	Dollar Amt.
3. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract		Type of Service	Dollar Amt.
4. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )
Name or Contract No.	# of Years / Term of Contract		Type of Service	Dollar Amt.
5. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )

PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR LIST OF TERMINATED CONTRACTS

Contractor's Name: _____

List all contracts that have been terminated with the past three (3) years.

1. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )
Name or Contract No.	Reason for Termination:			
2. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )
Name or Contract No.	Reason for Termination:			
3. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )
Name or Contract No.	Reason for Termination:			
4. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )
Name or Contract No.	Reason for Termination:			
5. Name of Firm	**Address of Firm**	**Contact Person**	**Telephone #** ( )	**Fax #** ( )
Name or Contract No.	Reason for Termination:			

ATTESTATION OF WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER GAIN/GROW PARTICIPANTS

As a threshold requirement for consideration for contract award, bidder/proposer shall demonstrate a proven record for hiring GAIN/GROW participants or shall attest to a willingness to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment opening if they meet the minimum qualifications for that opening. Additionally, bidder/proposer shall attest to a willingness to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to the bidder/proposer's employee mentoring program, if available, to assist these individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or promotional opportunities.

Bidders/proposers unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for contract award.

Bidder/proposer shall complete all of the following information, sign where indicated below, and return this form with their proposal.

	Yes	No
A. Bidder/proposer has a proven record of hiring GAIN/GROW participants. (subject to verification by County)	☐	☐
B. Bidder/proposer is willing to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment openings if the GAIN/GROW participant meets the minimum qualifications for the opening. "Consider" means that Proposer is willing to interview qualified GAIN/GROW participants.	☐	☐
C. Bidder/proposer is willing to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to its employee-mentoring program, if available. _____N/A (Program not available)	☐	☐
D. Bidder/proposer will provide information regarding job openings and job requirements to Department of Public Social Services GAIN/GROW staff at GAINGROW@dpss.lacounty.gov if contractor decides to pursue consideration of GAIN/GROW participants for hiring.	☐	☐

Bidder/Proposer Organization: _____

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____

Tel.#: _____ Fax #: _____

GAIN/GROW ATTESTATION – 02/26/09

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE PROGRAM CERTIFICATION FORM AND APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION

The County's solicitation for this Request for Statement of Qualifications is subject to the County of Los Angeles Contractor Employee Jury Service Program (Program), Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203. All Vendors, whether a contractor or subcontractor, must complete this form to either certify compliance or request an exception from the Program requirements. Upon review of the submitted form, the County department will determine, in its sole discretion, whether the Vendor is accepted from the Program.

Company Name:		
Company Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Telephone Number:		
Solicitation For _____ Services:		

If you believe the Jury Service Program does not apply to your business, check the appropriate box in Part I (attach documentation to support your claim); or, complete Part II to certify compliance with the Program. Whether you complete Part I or Part II, please sign and date this form below.

Part I: Jury Service Program is Not Applicable to My Business

❑ My business does not meet the definition of "contractor," as defined in the Program, as it has not received an aggregate sum of $50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts (this exception is not available if the contract itself will exceed $50,000). I understand that the exception will be lost and I must comply with the Program if my revenues from the County exceed an aggregate sum of $50,000 in any 12-month period.

❑ My business is a small business as defined in the Program. It 1) has ten or fewer employees; and, 2) has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of this contract, are $500,000 or less; and, 3) is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation, as defined below. I understand that the exception will be lost and I must comply with the Program if the number of employees in my business and my gross annual revenues exceed the above limits.

"Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than ten employees and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months, which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed $500,000.

"Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation" means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation.

❑ My business is subject to a Collective Bargaining Agreement (attach agreement) that expressly provides that it supersedes all provisions of the Program.

OR

Part II: Certification of Compliance

❑ My business has and adheres to a written policy that provides, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service for full-time employees of the business who are also California residents, **or** my company will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information stated above is true and correct.

Print Name:	Title:
Signature:	Date:

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION

Company Name

Address

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

California Registry of Charitable Trusts "CT" number (if applicable)

The Nonprofit Integrity Act (SB 1262, Chapter 919) added requirements to California's Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act which regulates those receiving and raising charitable contributions.

Check the Certification below that is applicable to your company.

☐ Vendor or Contractor has examined its activities and determined that it does not now receive or raise charitable contributions regulated under California's Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act. If Vendor engages in activities subjecting it to those laws during the term of a County contract, it will timely comply with them and provide County a copy of its initial registration with the California State Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts when filed.

OR

☐ Vendor or Contractor is registered with the California Registry of Charitable Trusts under the CT number listed above and is in compliance with its registration and reporting requirements under California law. Attached is a copy of its most recent filing with the Registry of Charitable Trusts as required by Title 11 California Code of Regulations, sections 300-301 and Government Code sections 12585-12586.

Signature

Date

Name and Title of Signer (please print)

ATTESTATION REGARDING FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS

In accordance with the DMH Legal Entity Agreement's Paragraph 53 (CONTRACTOR'S EXCLUSION FROM PARTICIPATION IN A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM):

I, the undersigned certify that I am not presently excluded from participation in federally funded health care programs, nor is there an investigation presently pending or recently concluded of me which is likely to result in my exclusion from any federally funded health care program, nor am I otherwise likely to be found by a federal or state agency to be ineligible to provide goods or services under the federally funded health care programs.

I further certify as the official responsible for the administration of Legal Entity Name (hereafter "Contractor") that all of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors are not presently excluded from participation in any federally funded health care programs, nor is there an investigation presently pending or recently concluded of any such officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors which is likely to result in an exclusion from any federally funded health care program, nor are any of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors otherwise likely to be found by a federal or state agency to be ineligible to provide goods or services under the federally funded health care programs.

I understand and certify that I will notify DMH within thirty (30) calendar days, in writing of:

- Any event that would require Contractor or any of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors exclusion or suspension under federally funded health care programs, or
- Any suspension or exclusionary action taken by an agency of the federal or state government against Contractor, or one or more of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors, barring it or its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors from providing goods or services for which federally funded healthcare program payment may be made.

Name of authorized official (Official Name) _____
Please print name

Signature of authorized official _____ Date _____

TRANSMITTAL FORM TO REQUEST A RFSQ SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS REVIEW

A Solicitation Requirements Review must be received by the County within 10 business days of issuance of the solicitation document

Vendor Name:	Date of Request:
Project Title:	Project No.

A **Solicitation Requirements Review** is being requested because the Vendor asserts that they are being unfairly disadvantage for the following reason(s): *(check all that apply)*

- ☐ Application of **Minimum Requirements**
- ☐ Application of **Business Requirements**
- ☐ Due to **unclear instructions**, the process may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses

I understand that this request must be received by the County within **10 business days** of issuance of the solicitation document.

For each area contested, Vendor must explain in detail the factual reasons for the requested review. *(Attach additional pages and supporting documentation as necessary.)*

Request submitted by:

(Name) *(Title)*

For County use only

Date Transmittal Received by County:_____ Date Solicitation Released:_____

Reviewed by:

Results of Review - Comments:

Date Response sent to Vendor:_____

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
POLICY ON DOING BUSINESS WITH SMALL BUSINESS

Forty-two percent of businesses in Los Angeles County have five or fewer employees. Only about four percent of businesses in the area exceed 100 employees. According to the Los Angeles Times and local economists, it is not large corporations, but these small companies that are generating new jobs and helping move Los Angeles County out of its worst recession in decades.

WE RECOGNIZE. . . .

The importance of small business to the County. . .

- in fueling local economic growth
- providing new jobs
- creating new local tax revenues
- offering new entrepreneurial opportunity to those historically under-represented in business

The County can play a positive role in helping small business grow. . .

- as a multi-billion dollar purchaser of goods and services
- as a broker of intergovernmental cooperation among numerous local jurisdictions
- by greater outreach in providing information and training
- by simplifying the bid/proposal process
- by maintaining selection criteria which are fair to all
- by streamlining the payment process

WE THEREFORE SHALL:

1. Constantly seek to streamline and simplify our processes for selecting our vendors and for conducting business with them.

2. Maintain a strong outreach program, fully-coordinated among our departments and districts, as well as other participating governments to: a) inform and assist the local business community in competing to provide goods and services; b) provide for ongoing dialogue with and involvement by the business community in implementing this policy.

3. Continually review and revise how we package and advertise solicitations, evaluate and select prospective vendors, address subcontracting and conduct business with our vendors, in order to: a) expand opportunity for small business to compete for our business; and b) to further opportunities for all businesses to compete regardless of size.

4. Insure that staff who manage and carry out the business of purchasing goods and services are well trained, capable and highly motivated to carry out the letter and spirit of this policy.

Title 2 ADMINISTRATION
Chapter 2.203.010 through 2.203.090
CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE

2.203.010 Findings.

The board of supervisors makes the following findings. The county of Los Angeles allows its permanent, full-time employees unlimited jury service at their regular pay. Unfortunately, many businesses do not offer or are reducing or even eliminating compensation to employees who serve on juries. This creates a potential financial hardship for employees who do not receive their pay when called to jury service, and those employees often seek to be excused from having to serve. Although changes in the court rules make it more difficult to excuse a potential juror on grounds of financial hardship, potential jurors continue to be excused on this basis, especially from longer trials. This reduces the number of potential jurors and increases the burden on those employers, such as the county of Los Angeles, who pay their permanent, full-time employees while on juror duty. For these reasons, the county of Los Angeles has determined that it is appropriate to require that the businesses with which the county contracts possess reasonable jury service policies. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

A. "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the county or a subcontract with a county contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of $50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more such contracts or subcontracts.

B. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a contractor under the laws of California.

C. "Contract" means any agreement to provide goods to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the county but does not include:

1. A contract where the board finds that special circumstances exist that justify a waiver of the requirements of this chapter; or

2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor; or

3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract; or

4. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, or reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-3700 or a successor provision; or

5. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, Section 4.4.0 or a successor provision; or

6. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-2810 or a successor provision; or

7. A non-agreement purchase with a value of less than $5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section A-0300 or a successor provision; or

8. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section PP-1100 or a successor provision.

D. "Full time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if:

1. The lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the chief administrative officer, or

2. The contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full time.

E. "County" means the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the board of supervisors is the governing body. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 1, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to contractors who enter into contracts that commence after July 11, 2002. This chapter shall also apply to contractors with existing contracts which are extended into option years that commence after July 11, 2002. Contracts that commence after May 28, 2002, but before July 11, 2002, shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter only if the solicitations for such contracts stated that the chapter would be applicable. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 2, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.040 Contractor Jury Service Policy.

A contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the contractor or that the contractor deduct from the employees' regular pay the fees received for jury service. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.050 Other Provisions.

A. Administration. The chief administrative officer shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The chief administrative officer may, with the advice of county counsel, issue interpretations of the provisions of this chapter and shall issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other county departments.

B. Compliance Certification. At the time of seeking a contract, a contractor shall certify to the county that it has and adheres to a policy consistent with this chapter or will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.060 Enforcement and Remedies.

For a contractor's violation of any provision of this chapter, the county department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:

1. Recommend to the board of supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,

2. Pursuant to chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.070. Exceptions.

A. Other Laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any contractor or to any employee in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California.

B. Collective Bargaining Agreements. This chapter shall be superseded by a collective bargaining agreement that expressly so provides.

C. Small Business. This chapter shall not be applied to any contractor that meets all of the following:

1. Has ten or fewer employees during the contract period; and,

2. Has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, are less than $500,000; and,

3. Is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation.

"Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than ten employees and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed $500,000.

"Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation" means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.090. Severability.

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

LISTING OF CONTRACTORS DEBARRED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

List of Debarred Contractors in Los Angeles County may be obtained by going to the following website:

http://lacounty.info/doing_business/DebarmentList.htm

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Notice 1015

(Rev. December 2007)

Have You Told Your Employees About the Earned Income Credit (EIC)?

What Is the EIC?

The EIC is a refundable tax credit for certain workers.

Which Employees Must I Notify About the EIC?

You must notify each employee who worked for you at any time during the year and from whom you did not withhold income tax. However, you do not have to notify any employee who claimed exemption from withholding on Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate.

Note. You are encouraged to notify each employee whose wages for 2007 are less than $39,783 that he or she may be eligible for the EIC.

How and When Must I Notify My Employees?

You must give the employee one of the following:

- The IRS Form W-2, Wage and Tax Statement, which has the required information about the EIC on the back of Copy B.
- A substitute Form W-2 with the same EIC information on the back of the employee's copy that is on Copy B of the IRS Form W-2.
- Notice 797, Possible Federal Tax Refund Due to the Earned Income Credit (EIC).
- Your written statement with the same wording as Notice 797.

If you are required to give Form W-2 and do so on time, no further notice is necessary if the Form W-2 has the required information about the EIC on the back of the employee's copy. If a substitute Form W-2 is given on time but does not have the required information, you must notify the employee within 1 week of the date the substitute Form W-2 is given. If Form W-2 is required but is not given on time, you must give the employee Notice 797 or your written statement by the date Form W-2 is required to be given. If Form W-2 is not required, you must notify the employee by February 7, 2008.

You must hand the notice directly to the employee or send it by First-Class Mail to the employee's last known address. You will not meet the notification requirements by posting Notice 797 on an employee bulletin board or sending it through office mail. However, you may want to post the notice to help inform all employees of the EIC. You can get copies of the notice from the IRS website at *www.irs.gov* or by calling 1-800-829-3676.

How Will My Employees Know If They Can Claim the EIC?

The basic requirements are covered in Notice 797. For more detailed information, the employee needs to see the 2007 instructions for Form 1040, 1040A, 1040EZ, or Pub. 596, Earned Income Credit (EIC).

How Do My Employees Claim the EIC?

Eligible employees claim the EIC on their 2007 tax return. Even employees who have no tax withheld from their pay or owe no tax can claim the EIC and get a refund, but they must file a tax return to do so. For example, if an employee has no tax withheld in 2007 and owes no tax but is eligible for a credit of $825, he or she must file a 2007 tax return to get the $825 refund.

How Do My Employees Get Advance EIC Payments?

Eligible employees who expect to have a qualifying child for 2008 can get part of the credit with their pay during the year by giving you a completed Form W-5, Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificate. You must include advance EIC payments with wages paid to these employees, but the payments are not wages and are not subject to payroll taxes. Generally, the payments are made from withheld income, social security, and Medicare taxes. For details, see Pub. 15 (Circular E), Employer's Tax Guide.

Notice 1015 (Rev. 12-2007)
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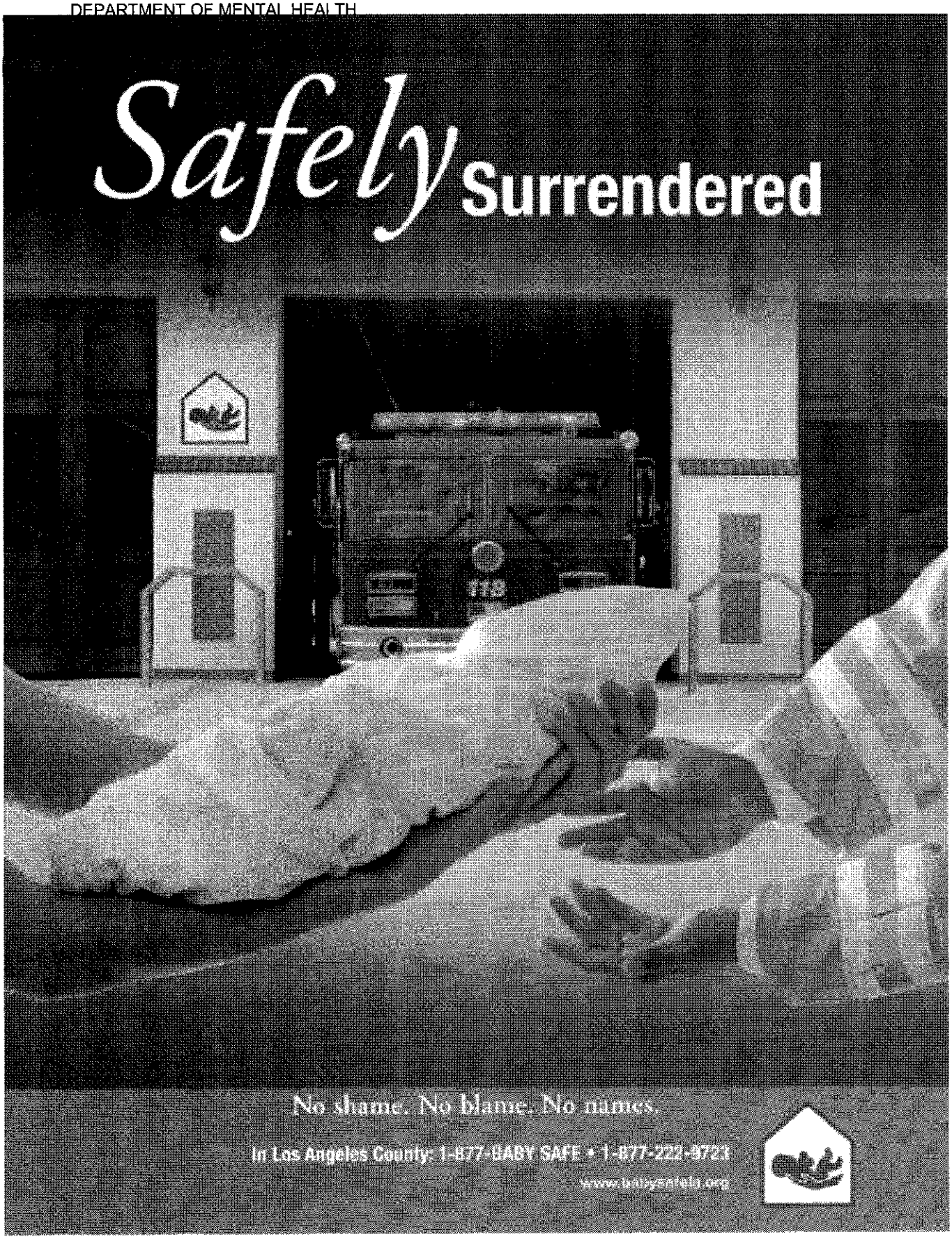
SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW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Safely Surrendered *Baby Law*

What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents or other persons, with lawful custody, which means anyone to whom the parent has given permission to confidentially surrender a baby. As long as the baby is three days (72 hours) of age or younger and has not been abused or neglected, the baby may be surrendered without fear of arrest or prosecution.

How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially, and safely surrender a baby within three days (72 hours) of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County. As long as the baby shows no sign of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, staff will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent or other surrendering adult.

What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

Can only a parent bring in the baby?

No. While in most cases a parent will bring in the baby, the Law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have lawful custody.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to call before bringing in the baby?

No. A parent or surrendering adult can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital or fire station personnel will ask the surrendering party to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the baby. The questionnaire includes a stamped return envelope and can be sent in at a later time.

What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment. Upon release from the hospital, social workers immediately place the baby in a safe and loving home and begin the adoption process.

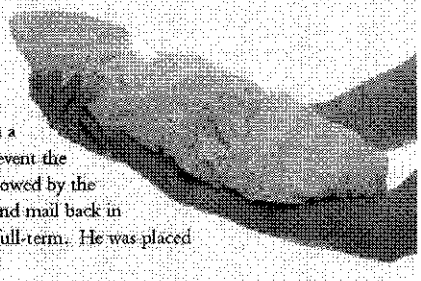
What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

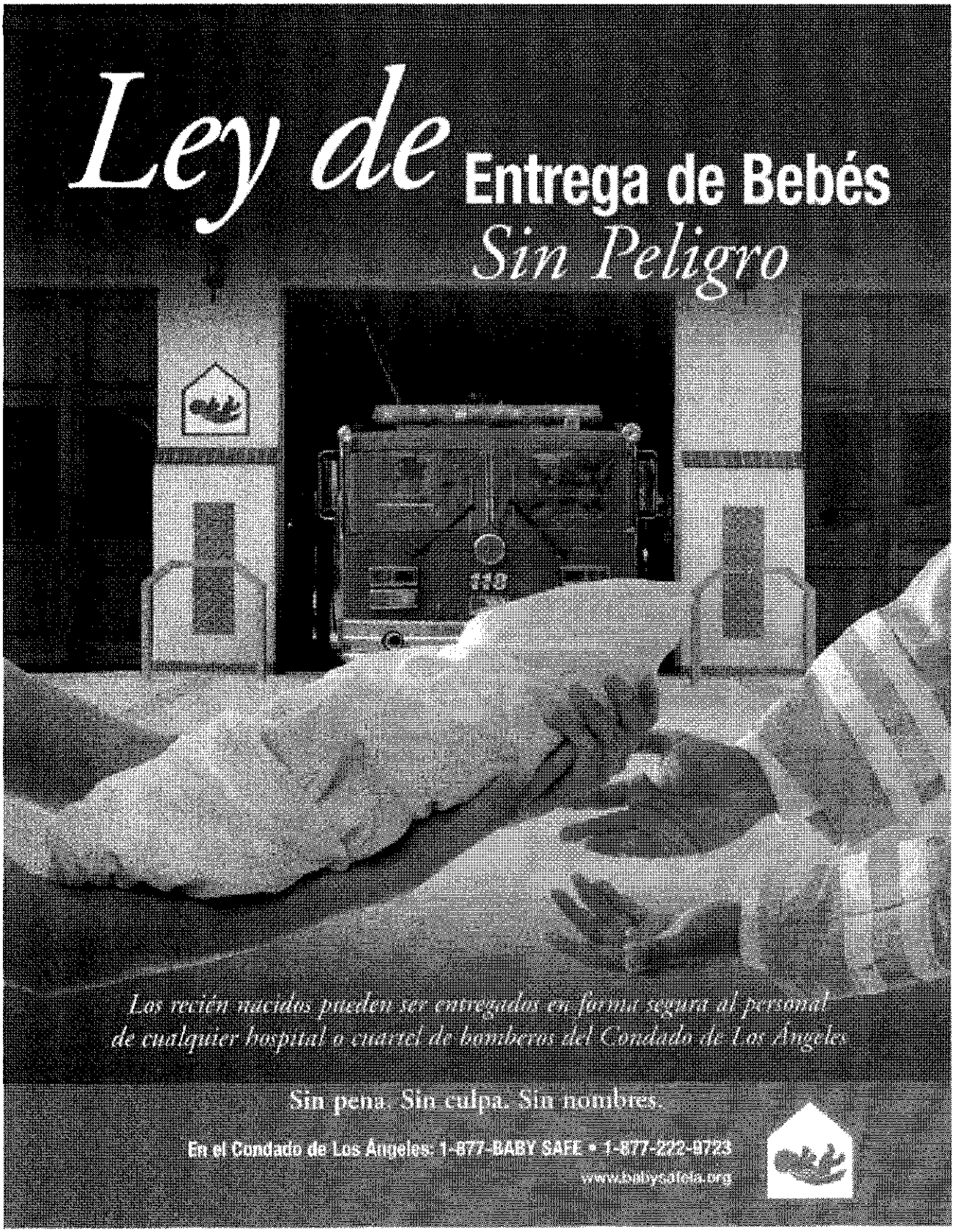
Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the **Safely Surrendered Baby Law** is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had no one or nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their babies. Abandoning a baby is illegal and places the baby in extreme danger. Too often, it results in the baby's death. The **Safely Surrendered Baby Law** prevents this tragedy from ever happening again in California.

A baby's story



Early in the morning on April 9, 2005, a healthy baby boy was safely surrendered to nurses at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. The woman who brought the baby to the hospital identified herself as the baby's aunt and stated the baby's mother had asked her to bring the baby to the hospital on her behalf. The aunt was given a bracelet with a number matching the anklet placed on the baby; this would provide some identification in the event the mother changed her mind about surrendering the baby and wished to reclaim the baby in the 14-day period allowed by the Law. The aunt was also provided with a medical questionnaire and said she would have the mother complete and mail back in the stamped return envelope provided. The baby was examined by medical staff and pronounced healthy and full-term. He was placed with a loving family that had been approved to adopt him by the Department of Children and Family Services.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Ley de Entrega de Bebés *Sin Peligro*

¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro de California permite la entrega confidencial de un recién nacido por parte de sus padres u otras personas con custodia legal, es decir cualquier persona a quien los padres le hayan dado permiso. Siempre que el bebé tenga tres días (72 horas) de vida o menos, y no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, pueden entregar al recién nacido sin temor de ser arrestados o procesados.

Cada recién nacido se merece la oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele que tiene otras opciones. Hasta tres días (72 horas) después del nacimiento, se puede entregar un recién nacido al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del condado de Los Angeles.

¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura dentro de los tres días (72 horas) del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazalete y el padre/madre o el adulto que lo entregue recibirá un brazalete igual.

¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden comenzar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Ángeles al 1-800-540-4000.

¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

No. Si bien en la mayoría de los casos son los padres los que llevan al bebé, la ley permite que otras personas lo hagan *si tienen custodia legal.*

¿Los padres o el adulto que entrega al bebé deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre o adulto puede llevar al bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, siempre y cuando entreguen a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o cuartel de bomberos.

¿Es necesario que el padre/madre o adulto diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos le pedirá a la persona que entregue al bebé que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para cuidar bien del bebé. El cuestionario incluye un sobre con el sello postal pagado para enviarlo en otro momento.

¿Qué pasará con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y le brindarán atención médica. Cuando le den el alta del hospital, los trabajadores sociales inmediatamente ubicarán al bebé en un hogar seguro donde estará bien atendido, y se comenzará el proceso de adopción.

¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre o adulto que entregue al bebé?

Una vez que los padres o adulto hayan entregado al bebé al personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos, pueden irse en cualquier momento.

¿Por qué se está haciendo esto en California? ?

La finalidad de la **Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro** es proteger a los bebés para que no sean abandonados, lastimados o muertos por sus padres. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Los padres de esos bebés probablemente hayan estado pasando por dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus bebés porque tenían miedo y no tenían nadie a quien pedir ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido es ilegal y pone al bebé en una situación de peligro extremo. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. La **Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro** impide que vuelva a suceder esta tragedia en California.

Historia de un bebé

A la mañana temprano del día 9 de abril de 2005, se entregó un recién nacido saludable a las enfermeras del Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. La mujer que llevó el recién nacido al hospital se dio a conocer como la tía del bebé, y dijo que la madre le había pedido que llevara al bebé al hospital en su nombre. Le entregaron a la tía un brazalete con un número que coincidía con la pulsera del bebé; esto serviría como identificación en caso de que la madre cambiara de opinión con respecto a la entrega del bebé y decidiera recuperarlo dentro del período de 14 días que permite esta ley. También le dieron a la tía un cuestionario médico, y ella dijo que la madre lo llenaría y lo enviaría de vuelta dentro del sobre con franqueo pagado que le habían dado. El personal médico examinó al bebé y se determinó que estaba saludable y a término. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia que ya había sido aprobada para adoptarlo por el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias.

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AGREEMENT

CONTRACTOR:

_____

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Business Address:

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SERVICES AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

AND

_____

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the County has a need for, and desires to engage the services of an individual or firm with special expertise and experience to be a Contractor for the County to provide sign language interpreter services for the hearing-impaired; and

WHEREAS, Contractor is specifically trained and possesses the skills, experience, and competency to provide assistance for the hearing-impaired; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to engage Contractor for such special services upon the terms provided in this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the County is authorized by Government Code Section 31000 to contract for such special services, including those contemplated herein; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, conditions, representations and warranties contained herein, it is agreed by and between County and Contractor as follows:

PREAMBLE

For over a decade, the County has collaborated with its community partners to enhance the capacity of the health and human services system to improve the lives of children and families. These efforts require, as a fundamental expectation, that the County's contracting partners share the County and community's commitment to provide health and human services that support achievement of the County's vision, goals, values, and adopted outcomes. Key to these efforts is the integration of service delivery systems and the adoption of the Customer Service and Satisfaction Standards.

The County of Los Angeles' Vision is to improve the quality of life in the County by providing responsive, efficient, and high quality public services that promote the self-sufficiency, well-being and prosperity of individuals, families, business and communities. This philosophy of teamwork and collaboration is anchored in the shared values of:

- Responsiveness
- Professionalism
- Accountability
- Compassion
- Integrity
- Commitment
- A Can-Do Attitude
- Respect for Diversity

These shared values are encompassed in the County Mission to enrich lives through effective and caring service and the County Strategic Plan's eight goals: 1) Service Excellence; 2) Workforce Excellence; 3) Organizational Effectiveness; 4) Fiscal Responsibility; 5) Children and Families' Well-Being; 6) Community Services; 7) Health and Mental Health; and 8) Public Safety. Improving the well-being of children and families requires coordination, collaboration, and integration of services across functional and jurisdictional boundaries, by and between County departments/agencies, and community and contracting partners.

The basic conditions that represent the well-being we seek for all children and families in Los Angeles County are delineated in the following five outcomes, adopted by the Board of Supervisors in January 1993.

- Good Health;
- Economic Well-Being;
- Safety and Survival;
- Emotional and Social Well-Being; and
- Education and Workforce Readiness.

Recognizing no single strategy - in isolation - can achieve the County's outcomes of well-being for children and families, consensus has emerged among County and community leaders that making substantial improvements in integrating the County's health and human services system is necessary to significantly move toward achieving these outcomes. The County has also established the following values and goals for guiding this effort to integrate the health and human services delivery system:

- ✔ Families are treated with respect in every encounter they have with the health, educational, and social services systems.
- ✔ Families can easily access a broad range of services to address their needs, build

on their strengths, and achieve their goals.

- ✔ There is no "wrong door": wherever a family enters the system is the right place.
- ✔ Families receive services tailored to their unique situations and needs.
- ✔ Service providers and advocates involve families in the process of determining service plans, and proactively provide families with coordinated and comprehensive information, services, and resources.
- ✔ The County service system is flexible, able to respond to service demands for both the Countywide population and specific population groups.
- ✔ The County service system acts to strengthen communities, recognizing that just as individuals live in families, families live in communities.
- ✔ In supporting families and communities, County agencies work seamlessly with public and private service providers, community-based organizations, and other community partners.
- ✔ County agencies and their partners work together seamlessly to demonstrate substantial progress towards making the system more strength-based, family-focused, culturally-competent, accessible, user-friendly, responsive, cohesive, efficient, professional, and accountable.
- ✔ County agencies and their partners focus on administrative and operational enhancements to optimize the sharing of information, resources, and best practices while also protecting the privacy rights of families.
- ✔ County agencies and their partners pursue multi-disciplinary service delivery, a single service plan, staff development opportunities, infrastructure enhancements, customer service and satisfaction evaluation, and revenue maximization.
- ✔ County agencies and their partners create incentives to reinforce the direction toward service integration and a seamless service delivery system.
- ✔ The County human service system embraces a commitment to the disciplined pursuit of results accountability across systems. Specifically, any strategy designed to improve the County human services system for children and families should

ultimately be judged by whether it helps achieve the County's five outcomes for children and families: good health, economic well-being, safety and survival, emotional and social well-being, and education and workforce readiness.

The County, its clients, contracting partners, and the community will continue to work together to develop ways to make County services more accessible, customer friendly, better integrated, and outcome-focused. Several departments have identified shared themes in their strategic plans for achieving these goals including: making an effort to become more consumer/client-focused; valuing community partnerships and collaborations; emphasizing values and integrity; and using a strengths-based and multi-disciplinary team approach. County departments are also working to provide the Board of Supervisors and the community with a better understanding of how resources are being utilized, how well services are being provided, and what are the results of the services: is anyone better off?

The County of Los Angeles health and human service departments and their partners are working together to achieve the following *Customer Service and Satisfaction Standards* in support of improving outcomes for children and families.

Personal Service Delivery

The service delivery team – staff and volunteers – will treat customers and each other with courtesy, dignity, and respect.

- Introduce themselves by name
- Listen carefully and patiently to customers
- Be responsive to cultural and linguistic needs
- Explain procedures clearly
- Build on the strengths of families and communities

Service Access

Service providers will work proactively to facilitate customer access to services.

- Provide services as promptly as possible
- Provide clear directions and service information
- Outreach to the community and promote available services
- Involve families in service plan development
- Follow-up to ensure appropriate delivery of services

Service Environment

Service providers will deliver services in a clean, safe, and welcoming environment, which supports the effective delivery of services.

- Ensure a safe environment
- Ensure a professional atmosphere
- Display vision, mission, and values statements
- Provide a clean and comfortable waiting area
- Ensure privacy
- Post complaint and appeals procedures

The basis for all County health and human services contracts is the provision of the highest level of quality services that support improved outcomes for children and families. The County and its contracting partners must work together and share a commitment to achieve a common vision, goals, outcomes, and standards for providing services.

THIS AGREEMENT for Sign Language Interpreter Services (hereafter "Agreement") is made and entered into this _ day of _____, 2009, by and between_____ (hereafter "Contractor") and the County of Los Angeles, on behalf of its Department of Mental Health (hereafter "County").

1.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS: Exhibits I, II, III, IV, V, VI and VII are attached to and form a part of this Agreement. Any reference throughout the base agreement and each of its exhibits to "Agreement" shall, unless the context clearly denotes otherwise, denote the base agreement with all exhibits hereby incorporated. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in meaning or provisions between the base agreement and the exhibits, or between exhibits, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the base agreement, and then to the exhibits according to the following priority:

A.	Exhibit I-	Statement of Work
B.	Exhibit II-	Financial Summary
C.	Exhibit III-	Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement
D.	Exhibit IV-	Contractor Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement
E.	Exhibit V	Attestation Regarding Federally Funded Programs
F.	Exhibit VI	Safely Surrendered Baby Law
G.	Exhibit VII	Charitable Contributions Certification

2.0 ADMINISTRATION: Director shall have the authority to administer this Agreement on behalf of County. Contractor shall designate in writing a Contract Manager who shall function as liaison with County regarding Contractor's performance hereunder.

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3.0 SERVICES PROVIDED: Contractor shall provide services to County as set forth in Exhibit I (STATEMENT OF WORK) which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

4.0 TERM OF AGREEMENT: The period of this Agreement shall commence on July 1, 2009 and shall continue in full force and effect through June 30, 2014.

A. Six Months Notification of Agreement Expiration: Contractor shall notify County when this Agreement is within six (6) months of expiration. Contractor shall send such notice to those persons and addresses which are set forth in Paragraph 50 (NOTICES)

B. Suspension of Payments: Payments to Contractor under this Agreement shall be suspended if Director, for good cause, determines that Contractor is in default under any of the provisions of this Agreement. Except in cases of alleged fraud or similar intentional wrongdoing, at least 30 calendar days notice of such suspension shall be provided to Contractor, including a statement of the reason(s) for such suspension. Thereafter, Contractor may, within 15 calendar days, request reconsideration of the Director's decision. Payments shall not be withheld pending the results of the reconsideration process.

5.0 COMPENSATION:

A. In consideration of the performance by Contractor in a manner satisfactory to County of the services described in Exhibit I, Contractor shall be paid in accordance with the Fee Schedule established in Exhibit II. Total compensation for all services furnished hereunder shall not exceed the sum of N/A DOLLARS ($N/A) for each Fiscal Year 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13, and 2013-14. Notwithstanding such limitation of funds, Contractor agrees to satisfactorily provide all services specified in Exhibit I. To request payment, Contractor shall present to County's Program Manager monthly in arrears invoices accompanied by a statement of the number of hours worked daily by each individual assigned to provide services and a report of service hours completed for the invoice period. This report shall be prepared in a format satisfactory to County's Program Manager or his/her designated representative.

B. The Maximum Contract Amount for this Agreement shall not exceed N/A DOLLARS ($N/A) for each Fiscal Year 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13, and 2013-14. In no event shall County pay Contractor more than this Maximum Contract Amount for

Contractor's performance hereunder. Furthermore, Contractor shall inform County when up to seventy-five percent (75%) of the Maximum Contract Amount has been incurred. Contractor shall send such notice to those persons and addresses which are set forth in Paragraph 50 (NOTICES). Payment to Contractor shall be only upon written approval of the invoice and report by County's Program Manager or his/her designated representative.

Contractor shall submit invoices to:

County of Los Angeles
Department of Mental Health
ACCESS Center
12440 E. Imperial Hwy. Suite 116
Norwalk, CA 90650
ATTN: Program Manager

C. No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/Termination of Contract: Contractor shall have no claim against County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Contract. Should Contractor receive any such payment, it shall immediately notify County and shall immediately repay all such funds to County. Payment by County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Contract shall not constitute a waiver of County's right to recover such payment from Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Contract.

D. Budget Reductions: In the event that the County's Board of Supervisors adopts, in any fiscal year, a County Budget which provides for reductions in County contracts, the County reserves the right to reduce its payment obligation under this Agreement to implement such Board reductions for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Agreement (including any extensions), and the services to be provided by the Contractor under this Agreement shall also be reduced correspondingly. The County's notice to the Contractor regarding said reduction in payment obligation shall be provided within thirty (30) calendar days of the Board's approval of such action. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, the Contractor shall continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Agreement.

6.0 COUNTY'S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN: The County or its agent will evaluate Contractor's performance under this Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing

Contractor's compliance with all contract terms and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which County determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of the Agreement in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the Board of Supervisors. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, County may terminate this Agreement or impose other penalties as specified in this Agreement.

7.0 REPORTING RESPONSIBILITY AND USE OF COUNTY RESOURCES:

A. County's Program Manager:

(1) Contractor shall report to County's Program Manager who shall be responsible for coordination of all administrative and contractual matters relating to this Agreement, the approval of all invoices submitted hereunder by Contractor, and final acceptance of all documentation and work.

(2) Upon advance approval of the County Program Manager, County may provide Contractor with certain County resources, and use of County facilities, as determined by the County Program Manager, who shall be the sole judge of the reasonableness and extent of any such use. The use or non-use of County resources by Contractor shall not relieve Contractor of its responsibility to provide services and complete all work under this Agreement in a manner satisfactory to County, and shall not affect Contractor status as an independent contractor. County's Program Manager shall be: Julie Valdez.

B. Contractor Manager: Contractor Manager shall be responsible for coordination of all administrative and contractual matters relating to this Agreement, including, but not limited to, allocation of Contractor resources, submission of invoices, and resolution of any questions/disputes.

Contractor Manager shall be:

_____, CEO

8.0 PERFORMANCE UNDER EMERGENCY CONDITIONS :

A. FORCE MAJEUR: In the event that performance by either party is rendered impossible (permanent or temporarily) by governmental restrictions, regulation or controls or other causes beyond the reasonable control of such party, said event shall excuse performance by such party, or in the case of temporary impossibility, shall excuse performance only for a period commensurate with the period of impossibility. Notwithstanding the foregoing, County shall have the right to terminate this Agreement

upon any event which renders performance impossible. In such case, County shall be responsible for payment of all expenses incurred to the point at which this Agreement is terminated.

B. CONTRACTOR'S PERFORMANCE DURING CIVIL UNREST OR DISASTER: Contractor and its subcontractor(s) recognize that health care facilities (e.g., residential health care facilities) maintained by County, and the participants that they serve, provide care that is essential to the residents of the community they serve, and that these services are of particular importance at the time of riot, insurrection, civil unrest, natural disaster, or similar event. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Agreement, full performance by Contractor and its subcontractor(s) during any riot, insurrection, civil unrest, natural disaster or similar event is not excused if such performance remains physically possible. Failure to comply with this requirement shall be considered a material breach by Contractor for which Director may suspend of County may immediate terminate this agreement.

C. EMERGENCY AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS: Notwithstanding Contractor's and County's contractual objective to provide services to eligible persons, Contractor shall make program services available to any person impacted during the event of a state/nationally declared emergency, contingent upon the availability and commitment of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) or State Office of Emergency Services (OES) funds with which to reimburse Contractor for funds expended.

9.0 WARRANTY: Contractor represents and warrants that all work, deliverables, and other services provided to County shall be of professional quality, will be provided as required by this Agreement, and will be free from any, errors, or omissions.

10.0 INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE:

A. Indemnification: Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless County, and its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with Contractor's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Agreement.

B. General Insurance Requirements: Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County and during the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide and maintain, and shall require all of its subcontractors to maintain, the following programs of insurance specified in this Agreement. Such insurance

shall be primary to and not contributing with any other insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by County, and such coverage shall be provided and maintained at Contractor's own expense.

1) Evidence of Insurance: Certificate(s) or other evidence of coverage satisfactory to County shall be delivered to *Department of Mental Health Contracts Development and Administration Division, 550 South Vermont Avenue, 5th Floor, Los Angeles, CA, 90020,* prior to commencing services under this Agreement. Such certificates or other evidence shall:

(a) Specifically identify this Agreement.

(b) Clearly evidence all coverages required in this Agreement.

(c) Contain the express condition that County is to be given written notice by mail at least thirty (30) days in advance of cancellation for all policies evidenced on the certificate of insurance.

(d) Include copies of the additional insured endorsement to the commercial general liability policy, adding the County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, its officials, officers and employees as insured for all activities arising from this Agreement.

(e) Identify any deductibles or self-insured retentions for County's approval. The County retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as they apply to County, or, require Contractor to provide a bond guaranteeing payment of all such retained losses and related costs, including, but not limited to, expenses or fees, or both, related to investigations, claims administrations, and legal defense. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

2) Insurer Financial Ratings: Insurance is to be provided by an insurance company acceptable to the County with an A.M. Best rating of not less than A:VII, unless otherwise approved by County.

3) Failure to Maintain Coverage: Failure by Contractor to maintain the required insurance, or to provide evidence of insurance coverage acceptable to County, shall constitute a material breach of the contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement. County, at its sole option, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, County may

purchase such required insurance coverage, and without further notice to Contractor, County may deduct from sums due to Contractor any premium costs advanced by County for such insurance.

4) Notification of Incidents, Claims or Suits: Contractor shall report to County:

(a) Any accident or incident relating to services performed under this Agreement which involves injury or property damage which may result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County. Such report shall be made in writing within 24 hours of occurrence.

(b) Any third party claim or lawsuit filed against Contractor arising from or related to services performed by Contractor under this Agreement.

(c) Any injury to a Contractor employee which occurs on County property. This report shall be submitted on a County "Non-employee Injury Report" to the County contract manager.

(d) Any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of any kind whatsoever of County property, monies or securities entrusted to Contractor under the terms of this Agreement.

5) Compensation for County Costs: In the event that Contractor fails to comply with any of the indemnification or insurance requirements of this Agreement, and such failure to comply results in any costs to County, Contractor shall pay full compensation for all costs incurred by County.

6) Insurance Coverage Requirements for Subcontractors: Contractor shall ensure any and all sub-contractors performing services under this Agreement meet the insurance requirements of this Agreement by either:

(a) Contractor providing evidence of insurance covering the activities of sub-contractors, or

(b) Contractor providing evidence submitted by sub-contractors evidencing that sub-contractors maintain the required insurance coverage. County retains the right to obtain copies of evidence of sub-contractor insurance coverage at any time.

C. Insurance Coverage Requirements:

1) General Liability: Insurance (written on ISO policy form CG 00 01 or its equivalent) with limits of not less than the following:

General Aggregate: Two Million Dollars	($2,000,000)

Products/Completed Operations Aggregate: One Million Dollars ($1,000,000)

Personal and Advertising Injury: One Million Dollars ($1,000,000)

Each Occurrence: One Million Dollars ($1,000,000)

2) Automobile Liability: Insurance (written on ISO policy form CA 00 01 or its equivalent) with a limit of liability of not less than One Million Dollars ($1,000,000) for each accident. Such insurance shall include coverage for all "owned", "hired" and "non-owned" vehicles, or coverage for "any auto".

3) Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability: Insurance providing workers compensation benefits, as required by the Labor Code of the State of California or by any other state, and for which Contractor is responsible. If Contractor's employees will be engaged in maritime employment, coverage shall provide workers compensation benefits as required by the U.S. Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, Jones Act or any other federal law for which Contractor is responsible. In all cases, the above insurance also shall include Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than the following:

Each Accident: One Million Dollars ($1,000,000)

Disease – policy limit: One Million Dollars ($1,000,000)

Disease – each employee: One Million Dollars ($1,000,000)

4) Professional Liability: Insurance covering liability arising from any error, omission, negligent or wrongful act of the Contractor, its officers or employees with limits of not less than One Million Dollars ($1,000,000) per occurrence and Three Million Dollars ($3,000,000) aggregate. The coverage also shall provide an extended two-year reporting period commencing upon termination or cancellation of this Agreement.

11.0 CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

A. Contractor shall provide to County an executed Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement (Exhibit III) prior to performing work under this Agreement. Such Agreement shall be delivered to Department of Mental Health, ATTN: Chief, Contracts Development and Administration Division, 550 South Vermont Avenue 5th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90020 on or immediately after the effective

date of this Agreement but in no event later than the date the Contractor first performs work under this Agreement.

12.0 CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT: Contractor shall maintain on file an executed Contractor Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement (Exhibit IV) for each individual who performs work under this Agreement after the effective date of this Agreement but in no event later than the date the individual first performs work under this Agreement. Such Agreements shall be maintained in accordance with all applicable County, State and Federal requirements and made available for inspection and/or audit by authorized representatives of County, State and/or Federal governments.

13.0 TITLE TO PROPERTY: County and Contractor agree that all design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, and all other original materials and work product produced by the Contractor pursuant to performance under this Agreement, are the sole property of the Contractor. County and Contractor agree that all data, including enhancements and modifications of the data, generated during the course of this agreement shall remain the sole property of the County. Contractor further agrees that any documentation or technical materials provided by County or generated by County or Contractor during the course of Contractor performance pursuant to this Agreement shall not be reproduced or disclosed without the prior written consent of County's Project Manager.

14.0 TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT:

A. This Agreement may be terminated, in whole or in part, from time to time, when such action is deemed by County to be in its best interest. Termination of work hereunder shall be effected by notice of termination to Contractor specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective which shall be no less than five (5) business days after the notice is sent. Such termination shall be without liability to County other than payment for work already rendered up to the date of termination. County shall pay Contractor the reasonable value for such work not to exceed the maximum sum due under this Agreement.

B. After receipt of a notice of termination and except as otherwise directed by County, Contractor shall:

1) Stop work under this Agreement on the date and to the extent specified in such notice;

2) Transfer title and deliver to County all completed work and work in process; and

3) Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by such notice.

C. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the failure of Contractor to comply with the terms of this Agreement or any directions by or on behalf of County issued pursuant thereto, may constitute a material breach hereof, thereby justifying immediate termination or suspension of this Agreement.

D. Contractor shall maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Agreement and, for a period of four (4) years after termination or final settlement under this Agreement.

E. Contractor shall make available to County, all of its books, records, documents or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of Contractor under this Agreement with respect to Contractor's work hereunder. All such material shall be maintained by Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County, provided that if any such material is located outside Los Angeles County, then, at County's option, Contractor shall pay County for travel, per diem, and other cost incurred by County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy or transcribe such material at such other location.

15.0 LIMITATION OF COUNTY'S OBLIGATION TO NON-APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS: Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, County shall not be obligated for Contractor's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Agreement during this or any of County's future fiscal years unless and until County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for this Agreement in County's Budget for each such fiscal year. Should County, during this or any subsequent fiscal year impose budgetary restrictions which appropriate less than the amount provided for in Paragraph 5 (COMPENSATION) of this Agreement, County shall reduce services under this Agreement consistent with such imposed budgetary reductions. In the event funds are not appropriated for this Agreement, then this Agreement shall terminate as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. County shall notify Contractor of any such changes in allocation of funds at the earliest

possible date In the event of the imposition of such budgetary constraints, Contractor agrees to limit its performance, and its corresponding requirements for compensation, to work remaining under this Agreement as determined by County's Project Manager.

16.0 PROHIBITION AGAINST ASSIGNMENT AND DELEGATION: This is a personal services agreement and Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Agreement, or both, either in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County. Any unapproved assignment or delegation shall be null and void.

17.0 SUBCONTRACTING: No performance of this Agreement or any portion thereof may be subcontracted by Contractor without the express written consent of County, and any other subcontract shall be null and void and shall constitute a breach of the terms of this Agreement.

18.0 CAPTIONS AND PARAGRAPH HEADINGS: Captions and paragraph headings used throughout this Agreement, including all exhibits, are for convenience only and are not a part of the Agreement and shall not be used in constructing the Agreement.

19.0 WAIVER: No waiver by either party of any breach of any provision of this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any other breach of such provision. Failure of either party to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver thereof.

20.0 GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION AND VENUE: This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. Contractor agrees and consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes regarding this Agreement and further agrees and consents that venue of any action brought hereunder shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles, California.

21.0 CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

A. No County employee whose position in County enables such employee to influence the award or administration of this Agreement or any competing agreement, and no spouse or Contractor economic dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by or have any direct or indirect financial interest in this Agreement. No officer or employee of Contractor who may financially benefit from the provision of services hereunder shall in any way participate in County's approval, or ongoing evaluation,

of such services, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such services.

B. Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Agreement. Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts which create a conflict of interest. If Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts which might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to County. Full written disclosure shall include, without limitation, identification of all persons implicated and complete description of all relevant circumstances.

22.0 COMPLETE AGREEMENT: The body of this Agreement, and the Exhibits I, II, III, IV, V, VI and VII thereto, shall constitute the complete and exclusive statement of understanding between the parties which supersedes all previous agreements, written or oral, and all communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement.

23.0 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW:

A. Contractor shall comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, manuals, guidelines, and directives applicable to its performance hereunder. Further, all provisions required thereby to be included in this Agreement are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

B. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless County from and against any and all liability, damages, costs or expenses, including, but not limited, defense costs and attorneys' fees, arising from or related to any violation on the part of Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents, of any such Federal, State or local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, manuals, guidelines, or directives.

C. Contractor shall maintain in effect an active compliance program in accordance with the recommendations set forth by the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Inspector General.

D. Duty to Notify: Contractor agrees to notify County of any and all legal complaints, citations, enforcement proceedings, administrative proceedings, judgments or litigation, known to Contractor, whether civil or criminal initiated against Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents which are likely to have a material effect on the organization's stewardship, financial position and/or ability to perform and deliver services under this contract.

24.0 ALTERATION OF TERMS: No addition to, or alteration of, the terms of the body of this Agreement, or the Exhibit(s) or Budget(s) hereto, whether by written or oral understanding of the parties, their officers, employees or agents, shall be valid and effective unless made in the form of a written amendment to this Agreement which is formally approved and executed by the parties.

The County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in the Agreement during the term of this Agreement. The County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer. To implement such orders, an Amendment to the Agreement shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by the Director of Mental Health.

25.0 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS: It is understood and agreed, and it is the intention of the parties hereto, that Contractor is an independent contractor and not the employee, agent, joint venture, or partner of County for any purpose whatsoever. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for the payment of any and all Federal, State or local taxes which may be or become due as a result of Contractor's engagement under this Agreement.

26.0 COUNTY LOBBYIST: Contractor, and each County lobbyist or County lobbying firm as defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010 retained by Contractor, shall fully comply with County's Lobbyist Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of Contractor or any County lobbyist or County lobbying firm retained by Contractor to fully comply with County's Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement, upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

27.0 RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING: If any Federal funds are to be used to pay for any of Contractor's services under this Agreement, Contractor shall fully comply with all certification and disclosure requirements prescribed by Section 319 of Public Law 101-121 (31 United States Code Section 1352) and any implementing regulations, and shall ensure that each of its subcontractors receiving funds under this Agreement also fully complies with all such certification and disclosure requirements.

28.0 ANTI-DISCRIMINATION: Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by Contractor, its affiliates, subsidiaries or holding companies, are and will be treated equally by Contractor without regard to or because or race, religion, ancestry, national origin or sex, and in compliance with all anti-discrimination

laws of California and the United States. Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its subcontractors, bidders or vendors without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin or sex. Contractor shall allow County access to its employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with these provisions when so requested by County. If County finds that any of these provisions have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of contact upon which County may determine to cancel, terminate, or suspend this Agreement. In addition to an independent finding by County of such violation, a finding by the State of California or by the United States of violation shall constitute a finding by County of such violation.

Contractor and County agree that in the event of a violation by Contractor of the antidiscrimination provisions of this Agreement, County shall, at its option, be entitled to the sum of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000.00) pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as damages in lieu of canceling, terminating, or suspending this Agreement.

29.0 PERSONNEL ARE AGENTS OF CONTRACTOR: Contractor represents and warrants that all individuals performing work under this Agreement including, but not limited to, the individuals listed in Exhibit B hereto, and their agents and subcontractors, are fully authorized agents of Contractor for all purposes of this Agreement, and have actual and full authority to perform all activity and work related to this Agreement on behalf of Contractor.

30.0 TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION: County may, by written notice to Contractor, immediately terminate the right of Contractor to proceed under this Agreement if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee or agent with the intent of securing the Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment or extension of the Agreement or the making of any determination with respect to Contractor's performance pursuant to the Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the

supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861.

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, service, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

31.0 TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT:

A. County may, by written notice of default to Contractor, terminate this Agreement immediately in any one of the following circumstances:

1) If, as determined in the sole judgment of County, Contractor fails to perform any services within the times specified in this Agreement or any extension thereof as County may authorize in writing; or

2) If, as determined in the sole judgment of County, Contractor fails to perform and/or comply with any of the other provisions of this Agreement, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Agreement in accordance with its terms, and in either of these two circumstances, does not cure such failure within a period of five days (or such longer period as County may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from County specifying such failure.

B. In the event that County terminates this Agreement as provided in Sub- paragraph A, County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as County may deem appropriate, services similar to those so terminated, and Contractor shall be liable to County for any reasonable excess costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such similar services.

C. The rights and remedies of County provided in this Paragraph 31.0 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

32.0 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE: The performance of services under this Agreement may be terminated in whole or in part from time to time when such action is deemed by County to be in its best interest. Termination of services hereunder shall be effected by delivery to Contractor of a thirty (30) day advance Notice of Termination specifying the date upon which such termination becomes effective.

After receipt of a Notice of Termination and except as otherwise directed by County, Contractor shall stop services under this Agreement on this date specified in such Notice of Termination.

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33.0 CONSIDERATION OF HIRING COUNTY EMPLOYEES TARGETED FOR LAYOFF OR FORMER COUNTY EMPLOYEES ON A REEMPLOYMENT LIST: Should Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Agreement to perform the services set forth herein, Contractor shall give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified permanent County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified former County employees who are on a reemployment list during the term of this Agreement.

34.0 CONSIDERATION OF GAIN PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT: Should Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Agreement, Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services' Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program who meet Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. The County will refer GAIN participants by job category to the Contractor.

35.0 CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM:

A. Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program: Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from County through contract are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family, and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.

As required by County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting Contractor's duty under this Agreement to comply with all applicable provisions of law, Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Agreement maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholdings Orders or Child Support Services Department Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family, or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

B. Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Child Support Compliance Program: Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in

Subparagraph A (Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program) shall constitute default under this Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this Agreement, failure of Contractor to cure such default within 90 calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this Agreement pursuant to Paragraph 31 (TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT) and pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

36.0 AUTHORIZATION WARRANTY: Contractor represents and warrants that the person executing this Agreement on its behalf is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation of this Agreement and that all requirements of Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

37.0 NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME CREDIT: Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015.

38.0 USE OF RECYCLED-CONTENT PAPER PRODUCTS: Consistent with the Board of Supervisors' policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at the County landfills, the Contractor agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible on the Project.

39.0 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT:

A. A responsible Contractor is a Contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible contractors.

B. The Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other Agreements which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in the Agreement, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County Agreements for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five years but may exceed five years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing Agreements the Contractor may have with the County.

C. The County may debar a Contractor if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of an Agreement with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

D. If there is evidence that the Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify the Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise the Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.

E. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

F. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Hearing Board.

G. If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years, that Contractor may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material

evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interest of the County.

H. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

I. The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

J. These terms shall also apply to subcontractors of County Contractors.

40.0 CONTRACTOR'S EXCLUSION FROM PARTICIPATION IN A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM: Contractor hereby warrants that neither it nor any of its staff members is restricted or excluded from providing services under any health care program funded by the Federal government, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, and that Contractor will notify Director within 30 calendar days in writing of: (1) any event that would require Contractor or a staff member's mandatory exclusion from participation in a Federally funded health care program; and (2) any exclusionary action taken by any agency of the Federal government against Contractor or one or more staff members barring it or the staff members from participation in a Federally funded health care program, whether such bar is direct or indirect, or whether such bar is in whole or in part.

There are a variety of different reasons why an individual or entity may be excluded from participating in a Federally funded health care program. Sometimes, the exclusion is mandatory and in other cases the Office of Inspector General (OIG) has the discretion not to exclude.

The mandatory bases for exclusion include: (1) felony convictions for program related crimes, including fraud or false claims, or for offenses related to the dispensing or use of controlled substances, or (2) convictions related to patient abuse.

Permissive exclusions may be based on: (1) conviction of a misdemeanor related to fraud or financial misconduct involving a government program; (2) obstructing an investigation; (3) failing to provide access to documents or premises as required by federal health care program officials; (4) conviction of a misdemeanor related to controlled substances; (5) failing to disclose information about the entity itself, its subcontractors or its significant business transactions; (6) loss of a state license to practice a health care profession; (7) default on a student loan given in connection with education in a health profession; (8) charging excessive amounts to a Federally funded health care program or furnishing services of poor quality or which are substantially in excess of the needs of the patients; (9) paying a kickback or submitting a false or fraudulent claim. Persons controlling or managing excluded entities who knew of the conduct leading to the exclusion can themselves be excluded, and entities which are owned and controlled by excluded individuals can also be excluded.

Contractor shall indemnify and hold County harmless against any and all loss or damage County may suffer arising from any Federal exclusion of Contractor or its staff members from such participation in a Federally funded health care program. Contractor shall provide the certification set forth in Exhibit V as part of its obligation under this Paragraph 40.

Failure by Contractor to meet the requirements of this Paragraph shall constitute a material breach of Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

41.0 CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION – LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS (45 C.F.R. PART 76): The Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County is prohibited from contracting with and making sub-awards to parties that are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded or whose principals are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. By executing this

Agreement, Contractor certifies that neither it nor any of its owners, officers, partners, directors or other principals is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Further, by executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that, to its knowledge, none of its subcontractors, at any tier, or any owner, officer, partner, director or other principal of any subcontractor is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Contractor shall immediately notify County in writing, during the term of this Agreement, should it or any of its subcontractors or any principals of either be suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Failure of Contractor to comply with this provision shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which the County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

42.0 CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATION AS A BUSINESS ASSOCIATE UNDER THE HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996: Under this Agreement, Contractor ("Business Associate") provides services ("Services") to County ("Covered Entity") and Business Associate receives, has access to, or creates Protected Health Information in order to provide those Services. Covered Entity is subject to the Administrative Simplification requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), and regulations promulgated thereunder, including the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information ("the Privacy Regulations") and the Health Insurance Reform: Security Standards ("the Security Regulations") at 45 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 160 and 164 ("together, the "Privacy and Security Regulations").

The Privacy and Security Regulations require Covered Entity to enter into a contract with Business Associate in order to mandate certain protections for the privacy and security of Protected Health Information, and those Regulations prohibit the disclosure to or use of Protected Health Information by Business Associate if such a contract is not in place.

Therefore, the parties agree as follows:

DEFINITIONS

1.1 "Disclose" and "Disclosure" mean, with respect to Protected Health Information, the release, transfer, provision of access to, or divulging in any other manner of Protected Health Information outside Business Associate's internal operations or to other than its employees.

1.2 "Electronic Media" has the same meaning as the term "electronic media" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. Electronic Media means (1) Electronic storage media including memory devices in computers (hard drives) and any removable/transportable digital memory medium, such as magnetic tape or disk, optical disk, or digital memory card; or (2) Transmission media used to exchange information already in electronic storage media. Transmission media include, for example, the internet (wide-open), extranet (using internet technology to link a business with information accessible only to collaborating parties), leased lines, dial-up lines, private networks, and the physical movement of removable/transportable electronic storage media. Certain transmissions, including of paper, via facsimile, and of voice, via telephone, are not considered to be transmissions via electronic media, because the information being exchanged did not exist in electronic form before the transmission.

1.3 "Electronic Protected Health Information" has the same meaning as the term "electronic protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. Electronic Protected Health Information means Protected Health Information that is (i) transmitted by electronic media; (ii) maintained in electronic media.

1.4 "Individual" means the person who is the subject of Protected Health Information and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.502(g).

1.5 "Protected Health Information" has the same meaning as the term "protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. § 164.501, limited to the information created or received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity. Protected Health Information includes information, whether oral or recorded in any form or medium, that (i) 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; (ii) identifies the Individual (or for which there is a reasonable basis for believing that the information can be used to identify the Individual); and (iii) is received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity, or is created by Business Associate, or is made accessible to Business Associate by Covered Entity. "Protected Health Information" includes Electronic Health Information.

1.6 "Required By Law" means a mandate contained in law that compels an entity to make a Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information and that is enforceable in a court of law. Required by law 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 any administrative body authorized to require the production of information; a civil or an authorized investigative demand; 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 benefits.

1.7 "Security Incident" means the attempted or successful unauthorized access, Use, Disclosure, modification, or destruction of information in, or interference with system operations of, an Information System which contains Electronic Protected Health Information. However, Security Incident does not include attempts to access an Information System when those attempts are not reasonably considered by Business Associate to constitute an actual threat to the Information System.

1.8 "Services" has the same meaning as in the body of this Agreement.

1.9 "Use" or "Uses" mean, with respect to Protected Health Information, the sharing, employment, application, utilization, examination or analysis of such Information within Business Associate's internal operations.

1.10 Terms used, but not otherwise defined in this Paragraph 42 shall have the same meaning as those terms in the HIPAA Regulations.

OBLIGATIONS OF BUSINESS ASSOCIATE

2.1 Permitted Uses and Disclosures of Protected Health Information. Business Associate:

(a) shall Use and Disclose Protected Health Information as necessary to perform the Services, and as provided in Sections 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 4.3 and 5.2 of this Agreement;

(b) shall Disclose Protected Health Information to Covered Entity upon request;

(c) may, as necessary for the proper management and administration of its business or to carry out its legal responsibilities:

(i) Use Protected Health Information; and

(ii) Disclose Protected Health Information if the Disclosure is Required by Law.

Business Associate shall not Use or Disclose Protected Health Information for any other purpose.

2.2 Adequate Safeguards for Protected Health Information. Business Associate:

(a) shall implement and maintain appropriate safeguards to prevent the Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information in any manner other than as permitted by this Paragraph. Business Associate agrees to limit the Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information to the minimum necessary in accordance with the Privacy Regulation's minimum necessary standard.

(b) effective as of April 20, 2005, specifically as to Electronic Health Information, shall implement and maintain administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of Electronic Protected Health Information.

2.3 Reporting Non-Permitted Use or Disclosure and Security Incidents. Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity each Use or Disclosure that is made by Business Associate, its employees, representatives, agents or subcontractors but is not specifically permitted by this Agreement, and effective as of April 20, 2005, shall report to Covered Entity each Security Incident of which Business Associate becomes aware. The initial report shall be made by telephone call to the Department of Mental Health's Privacy Officer, telephone number (213) 738-4864 within forty-eight (48) hours from the time the Business Associate becomes aware of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure or Security Incident, followed by a full written report no later than ten (10) business days from the date the Business Associate becomes aware of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure or Security Incident to the Chief Privacy Officer at:

Chief Privacy Officer

Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration

500 West Temple ST.

Suite 525

Los Angeles, CA 90012

2.4 Mitigation of Harmful Effect. Business Associate agrees to mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Business Associate of a Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information by Business Associate in violation of the requirements of this Paragraph 42.

2.5 Availability of Internal Practices, Books and Records to Government Agencies. Business Associate agrees to make its internal practices, books, and records relating to the Use and Disclosure of

Protected Health Information available to the Secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services for purposes of determining Covered Entity's compliance with the Privacy and Security Regulations. Business Associate shall immediately notify Covered Entity of any requests made by the Secretary and provide Covered Entity with copies of any documents produced in response to such request.

2.6 Access to Protected Health Information. Business Associate shall, to the extent Covered Entity determines that any Protected Health Information constitutes a "designated record set" as defined by 45 C.F.R. § 164.501, make the Protected Health Information specified by Covered Entity available to the Individual(s) identified by Covered Entity as being entitled to access and copy that Protected Health Information. Business Associate shall provide such access for inspection of that Protected Health Information within two (2) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity. Business Associate shall provide copies of that Protected Health Information within five (5) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity.

2.7 Amendment of Protected Health Information. Business Associate shall, to the extent Covered Entity determines that any Protected Health Information constitutes a "designated record set" as defined by 45 C.F.R. § 164.501, make any amendments to Protected Health Information that are requested by Covered Entity. Business Associate shall make such amendment within ten (10) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity in order for Covered Entity to meet the requirements under 45 C.F.R. § 164.526.

2.8 Accounting of Disclosures. Business Associate agrees to maintain documentation of the information required to provide an accounting of Disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.538, and to make this information available to Covered Entity upon Covered Entity's request, in order to allow Covered Entity to respond to an Individual's request for accounting of disclosures. However, Business Associate is not required to provide an accounting of Disclosures that are necessary to perform its Services if such Disclosures are for either payment or health care operations purposes, or both. Additionally, such accounting is limited to disclosures that were made in the six (6) years prior to the request (not including disclosures that were made prior to the compliance

date of the Privacy Rule, April 14, 2003) and shall be provided for as long as Business Associate maintains the Protected Health Information.

Any accounting provided by Business Associate under this Section 2.8 shall include: (a) the date of the Disclosure; (b) the name, and address if known, of the entity or person who received the Protected Health Information; (c) a brief description of the Protected Health Information disclosed; and (d) a brief statement of the purpose of the Disclosure. For each Disclosure that could require an accounting under this Section 2.8, Business Associate shall document the information specified in (a) through (d), above, and shall securely maintain the information for six (6) years from the date of the Disclosure. Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity, within ten (10) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity, information collected in accordance with this Section 2.8 to permit Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528.

OBLIGATION OF COVERED ENTITY

3.1 Obligation of Covered Entity. Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any current or future restrictions or limitations on the use of Protected Health Information that would affect Business Associate's performance of the Services, and Business Associate shall thereafter restrict or limit its own uses and disclosures accordingly.

TERM AND TERMINATION

4.1 Term. The term of this Paragraph 42 shall be the same as the term of this Agreement. Business Associate's obligations under Sections 2.1 (as modified by Section 4.2), 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 4.3 and 5.2 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

4.2 Termination for Cause. In addition to and notwithstanding the termination provisions set forth in this Agreement, upon Covered Entity's knowledge of a material breach by Business Associate, Covered Entity shall either:

(a) Provide an opportunity for Business Associate to cure the breach or end the violation and terminate this Agreement if Business Associate does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by Covered Entity;

(b) Immediately terminate this Agreement if Business Associate has breached a material term of this Paragraph and cure is not possible; or

(c) If neither termination nor cure is feasible, Covered Entity shall report the violation to the Secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services.

4.3 Disposition of Protected Health Information Upon Termination or Expiration.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, upon termination for any reason or expiration of this Agreement, Business Associate shall return or destroy all Protected Health Information received from Covered Entity, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity. This provision shall apply to Protected Health Information that is in the possession of subcontractors or agents of Business Associate. Business Associate shall retain no copies of the Protected Health Information.

(b) In the event that Business Associate determines that returning or destroying the Protected Health Information is infeasible, Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity notification of the conditions that make infeasible. If return or destruction is infeasible, Business Associate shall extend the protections of this Agreement to such Protected Health Information and limit further Uses and Disclosures of such Protected Health Information to those purposes that make the return or destruction infeasible, for so long as Business Associate maintains such Protected Health Information.

MISCELLANEOUS

5.1 No Third Party Beneficiaries. Nothing in this Paragraph 42 shall confer upon any person other than the parties and their respective successors or assigns, any rights, remedies, obligations, or liabilities whatsoever.

5.2 Use of Subcontractors and Agents. Business Associate shall require each of its agents and subcontractors that receive Protected Health Information from Business Associate, or create Protected Health Information for Business Associate, on behalf of Covered Entity, to execute a written agreement obligating the agent or subcontractor to comply with all the terms of this Paragraph 42.

5.3 Relationship to Services Agreement Provisions. In the event that a provision of this Paragraph 42 is contrary to another provision of this Agreement, the provision of this Paragraph 42 shall control.

Otherwise, this Paragraph 42 shall be construed under, and in accordance with, the terms of this Agreement.

5.4 Regulatory References. A reference in this Paragraph 42 to a section in the Privacy or Security Regulations means the section as in effect or as amended.

5.5 Interpretation. Any ambiguity in this Paragraph 42 shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that permits Covered Entity to comply with the Privacy and Security Regulations.

5.6 Amendment. The parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Paragraph from time to time as is necessary for Covered Entity to comply with the requirements of the Privacy and Security Regulations.

43.0 CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW: The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post the County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at the Contractor's place of business. The Contractor will also encourage its subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the subcontractor's place of business. The County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply the Contractor with the poster to be used.

44.0 COMPLIANCE WITH JURY SERVICE PROGRAM:

A Jury Service Program: This Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service ("Jury Service Program") as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code.

B Written Employee Jury Service Policy:

(1) Unless Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), Contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that Employees deposit any fees received for such jury

service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the Employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.

(2) For purposes of this Section, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has an Agreement with the County or a subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of $50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County Agreements or subcontracts. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of Contractor. "Full-time" means 40 hours or more worked per week or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If Contractor uses any subcontractor to perform services for the County under the Agreement, the subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this Section. The provisions of this Section shall be inserted into any such subcontract Agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the Agreement.

(3) If Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when the Agreement commences, Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and Contractor shall immediately notify County if Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Program. In either event, Contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The County may also require, at any time during the Agreement and at its sole discretion, that Contractor demonstrate to the County's satisfaction that Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.

(4) Contractor's violation of this section of the Agreement may constitute a material breach of the Agreement. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Agreement and/or bar Contractor from the award of future County Agreements for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

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45.0 DELEGATION AND ASSIGNMENT BY CONTRACTOR:

A. Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Agreement, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County, in its discretion, and any attempted assignment or delegation without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this paragraph, County consent shall require a written amendment to this Agreement, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Agreement shall be deductible, at County's sole discretion, against the claims which Contractor may have against County.

B. Shareholders, partners, members, or other equity holders of Contractor may transfer, sell, exchange, assign, or divest themselves of any interest they may have therein. However, in the event any such sale, transfer, exchange, assignment, or divestment is effected in such a way as to give majority control of Contractor to any person(s), corporation, partnership, or legal entity other than the majority controlling interest therein at the time of execution of this Agreement, such disposition is an assignment requiring the prior written consent of County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Agreement.

C. Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without County's express prior written approval, shall be a material breach of this Agreement which may result in the termination of this Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

46.0 CONTRACTOR'S CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COMPLIANCE: The Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act regulates entities receiving or raising charitable contributions. The "Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004" (SB 1262, Chapter 919) increased Charitable Purposes Act requirements. By requiring Contractors to complete the certification in Attachment VII, the County seeks to ensure that all County contractors which receive or raise charitable contributions comply with California law in order to protect the County and its taxpayers. A Contractor which receives or raises charitable contributions without complying with its obligations under California law commits a material breach

subjecting it to either contract termination or debarment proceedings or both. (County Code Chapter 2.202)

47.0 COUNTY'S OBLIGATION FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE FISCAL YEARS: Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, this Agreement shall not be effective and binding upon the parties unless and until County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for purposes hereof in County's Budget for County's current Fiscal Year. Further, County shall not be obligated for Contractor's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Agreement during any of County's future Fiscal Years unless and until County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for purposes hereof in County's Budget for each such future Fiscal Year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Agreement, then this Agreement shall terminate as of June 30 of the last Fiscal Year for which funds were appropriated.

48. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND OUTCOME MEASURES: The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and County policies and procedures relating to performance standards and outcome measures. This is applicable whenever specific Federal or State funding, which has policies or procedures for performance standards and/or outcome measures has been included as part of the Contractor's contract and shall apply for all County policies, procedures, or departmental bulletins approved by the Director or his designee for performance standards and/or outcome measures. County defraud will notify Contractor whenever County policies or procedures are to apply to this contract provision (e.g., AB 2034 grant) at least, where feasible, 30 calendar days prior to implementation.

These Federal, State or County performance standards and/or outcome measures will be used as part of the determination of the effectiveness of the services delivered by the Contractor.

49.0 LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PREFERENCE PROGRAM: This contract is subject to all provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Local Business Enterprise Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.204 of the Los Angeles County Code. Specifically, Contractor shall pay particular attention to the following provisions in Chapter 2.204:

Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a Local Small Business Enterprise,

Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a Local Small Business Enterprise.

If Contractor has obtained certification as a Local Small Business Enterprise by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this contract to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:

1. Pay to the County any difference between the contract amount and what the County's costs would have been if the contract had been properly awarded;
2. In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1), be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than 10 percent (10%) of the amount of the contract; and
3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Non-responsibility and Contractor Debarment).

The above penalties shall also apply to any Contractor that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the State and the Office of Affirmative Action Compliance (OAAC) of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a contract award.

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50.0 NOTICES: All notices or demands required or permitted to be given or made under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be hand-delivered with signed receipt or mailed by first-class, registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties at the following addresses and to the attention of the persons named. Director shall have the authority to execute all notices or demands which are required or permitted by County under this Agreement. Addresses and persons to be notified may be changed by either party by giving ten days prior written notice thereof to the other party.

For the County, please use the following contact information:

County of Los Angeles
Department of Mental Health
Contract Development and Administration Division
550 S. Vermont Avenue 5th Floor
Los Angeles, California 90020
ATTN: Richard Kushi, Chief

For the Contractor, please use the following contact information:

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Amendment to be subscribed by County's Director of Mental Health or his designee, and Consultant has caused this Amendment to be subscribed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, the day, month, and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By_____
MARVIN J. SOUTHARD, D.S.W.
Director of Mental Health

_____
CONTRACTOR

By_____

Name_____

Title_____
(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL HERE)

APPROVED AS TO FORM
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

APPROVED AS TO CONTRACT
ADMINISTRATION:

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

By_____
Chief, Contracts Development and
Administration Division

SERVICE EXHIBIT __I__

SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER SERVICES

(ACCESS CENTER)

STATEMENT OF WORK

1. GENERAL: As part of its responsibilities to provide integrated community services in accordance with Federal and State law, the County of Los Angeles must make professional sign language interpreter services available to hearing-impaired persons seeking County services or receiving them on a recurring basis. The Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) mandates that hearing-impaired individuals who require Public services must be provided access to available programs at a level that was equal to that of their hearing peers. Although the County had used the services of certified bilingual employees who had sign language skills, this was not adequate to ensure full access to services. While this strategy was usually sufficient for initial intake, these employees did not generally possess the skills necessary for the level and depth of communication required for mental health counseling and other services offered by the County. Thus, establishing the availability of professional sign language interpreter services ensured that hearing-impaired individuals had equal access to County services as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act and other State and Federal mandates.

2. PERSONS TO BE SERVED: Contractor shall provide services to all hearing-impaired clients who are referred to Contractor by Director, in clinical, training, and administrative settings.

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3. PROGRAM ELEMENTS AND SERVICES: Contractor shall provide services to clients in accordance with Contractor's Negotiation Package and any addenda thereto, as approved in writing by Director, on an as need basis for the term of this Agreement. Service provider must be certified by the National Association of the Deaf (NAD) and Registry of Interpreter for Deaf (RID).

Service provider must be able to meet one or more of the following services criteria:

A. Interpreters are available on an as needed basis, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week including week-ends and holidays. Also available in emergencies within 75 minutes of request.

B. Interpreters are available within four (4) business days of request for non emergency service.

C. Accessibility to communication aids for hearing-impaired clients, such as but not limited to; certified interpreters, note takers, computer aided transcription services, written materials, telephone handset amplifiers, assistive listening systems, telephones compatible with hearing aids, closed caption decoders, open and closed captioning, videotext displays, cued speech transliterators, referrals to Real Time Captionist and exchange of written notes available upon request.

D. NAD and RID certified interpreters in American Sign Language, Spanish Speaking Sign Language and English language Sign Language.

E. Interpreters must have accessible transportation to accept assignments throughout the County of Los Angeles.

Note: Cancellation of scheduled appointments must be made 24 hours prior to the scheduled appointment.

EXHIBIT II

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

FISCAL YEAR 2009-10

Pre-scheduled professional sign language interpreter service hourly rate*

Special additional fee for emergency/unscheduled sessions @ hourly rate

ARTICLES

Article I
No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/Termination of Contract:
Contractor shall have no claim against County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by Contractor after expiration or other termination of this Contract. Should Contractor receive such payment, it shall immediately notify County and shall immediately repay all such funds to County. Payment by County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Contract shall not constitute a waiver of County's right to recover such payment from Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Contract.

Article III
Funded by County General Funds (CGF)/Realignment.

EXHIBIT III

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
ACCESS Center
550 S. Vermont Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Phone: 213 738-4000
Fax: 562 999-999
E-mail:jvaldez@lacdmh.org

WORK ORDER: Sign Language Interpreter Services

Bill To:
Department of Mental Health
ACCESS Center
550 S. Vermont Ave. 8th floor
Los Angeles, CA

Date:
Work Order #

Description of Services Needed:
The Department of Mental Health is looking for a sign language interpreter who can provides services to a mental health consumer at a mental health program in Compton. Must be able to use Spanish Sign language.

Date & Time Needed:
Must be available on Tuesday, February 3, 2009 between the hours of 5 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Contact Person & Address where service will be provided:
Contact: Julie Valdez **Location: Compton Mental Health Center 322 W. Compton Blvd. Compton, CA 90220**

VENDOR: If you are able to accept this work order, please sign below and fax back this form to the number listed above.

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Signature **Date**

COUNTY STAFF APPROVAL

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Signature **Date**

COMMENTS: TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY STAFF

EXHIBIT IV

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

CONTRACTOR _____

CONTRACT NUMBER _____

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

I understand and agree that I am an independent contractor and that I am not an employee of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced contract. I understand and agree that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

(You may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, you may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, you may also have access to proprietary information supplied by the County of Los Angles or by other vendors doing business with the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, mental health, criminal and welfare recipient records. If you are to be involved in County work, the County must ensure that you, too, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, you must sign this agreement as a condition of your work for the County. Please read this agreement and take due time to consider it prior to signing.)

I hereby agree that I will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced contract with the County of Los Angeles. I agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received by me to the County Project Manager.

EXHIBIT IV

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT
(Continued)

I agree to keep confidential all financial, health, criminal and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, County proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created or provided to or by me under the above-referenced contract. I agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than County employees who have a need to know the information. I agree that if proprietary information supplied by the County or by other County vendors is provided to me during this engagement, I shall keep such information confidential.

I agree to report to the County Project Manager any and all violations of this contract by myself and/or by any other person of which I became aware. I agree to return all confidential materials to the County Project Manager upon completion of termination of this contract.

I acknowledge that violation of this agreement may subject me to civil and/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles may seek all possible legal redress.

NAME: _____ **DATE:** _____
(Signature)

NAME: _____

POSITION: _____

EXHIBIT V

CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

CONTRACTOR NAME _____

EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

I understand and agree that I am an employee and that I am not an employee of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced Agreement. I understand and agree that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

(You may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the _____ in Los Angeles County and, if so, you may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from _____. In addition, you may also have access to proprietary information supplied by _____ or by other vendors doing business with _____. _____ has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, mental health, criminal and welfare recipient records. If you are to be involved in County work, the County must ensure that you, too, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, you must sign this agreement as a condition of your work with _____ Please read this agreement and take due time to consider it prior to signing.)

I hereby agree that I will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced Agreement with _____ I agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received by me to the CONTRACTOR Manager.

I agree to keep confidential all financial, health, criminal and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from _____ design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, County proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created or provided to or by me under the above referenced Agreement.

EXHIBIT V

CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT
(Continued)

I agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than County employees who have a need to know the information. I agree that if proprietary information supplied by _____ or by other County vendors is provided to me during this engagement, I shall keep such information confidential.

I agree to report to the CONTRACTOR Manager any and all violations of this Agreement by myself and/or by any other person of which I became aware. I agree to return all confidential materials to the CONTRACTOR Manager upon completion of termination of this Agreement.

I acknowledge that violation of this agreement may subject me to civil and/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles may seek all possible legal redress.

BY: _____ **DATE:** _____
(Employee Signature)

NAME: _____

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

EXHIBIT VI

ATTESTATION REGARDING FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS

In accordance with your agreement with the County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health under Paragraph (CONTRACTOR'S/UNIVERSITY'S EXCLUSION FROM PARTICIPATION IN A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM):

I, the undersigned certify that I am not presently excluded from participation in federally funded health care programs, nor is there an investigation presently pending or recently concluded of me which is likely to result in my exclusion from any federally funded health care program, nor am I otherwise likely to be found by a federal or state agency to be ineligible to provide goods or services under the federally funded health care programs.

I further certify as the official responsible for the administration of _____ (hereafter "Contractor") that all of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors are not presently excluded from participation in any federally funded health care programs, nor is there an investigation presently pending or recently concluded of any such officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors which is likely to result in an exclusion from any federally funded health care program, nor are any of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors otherwise likely to be found by a federal or state agency to be ineligible to provide goods or services under the federally funded health care programs.

I understand and certify that I will notify DMH within thirty (30) calendar days, in writing of:

- Any event that would require Contractor or any of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors exclusion or suspension under federally funded health care programs, or
- Any suspension or exclusionary action taken by an agency of the federal or state government against Contractor, or one or more of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors, barring it or its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors from providing goods or services for which federally funded healthcare program payment may be made.

Name of authorized official _____
Please print name

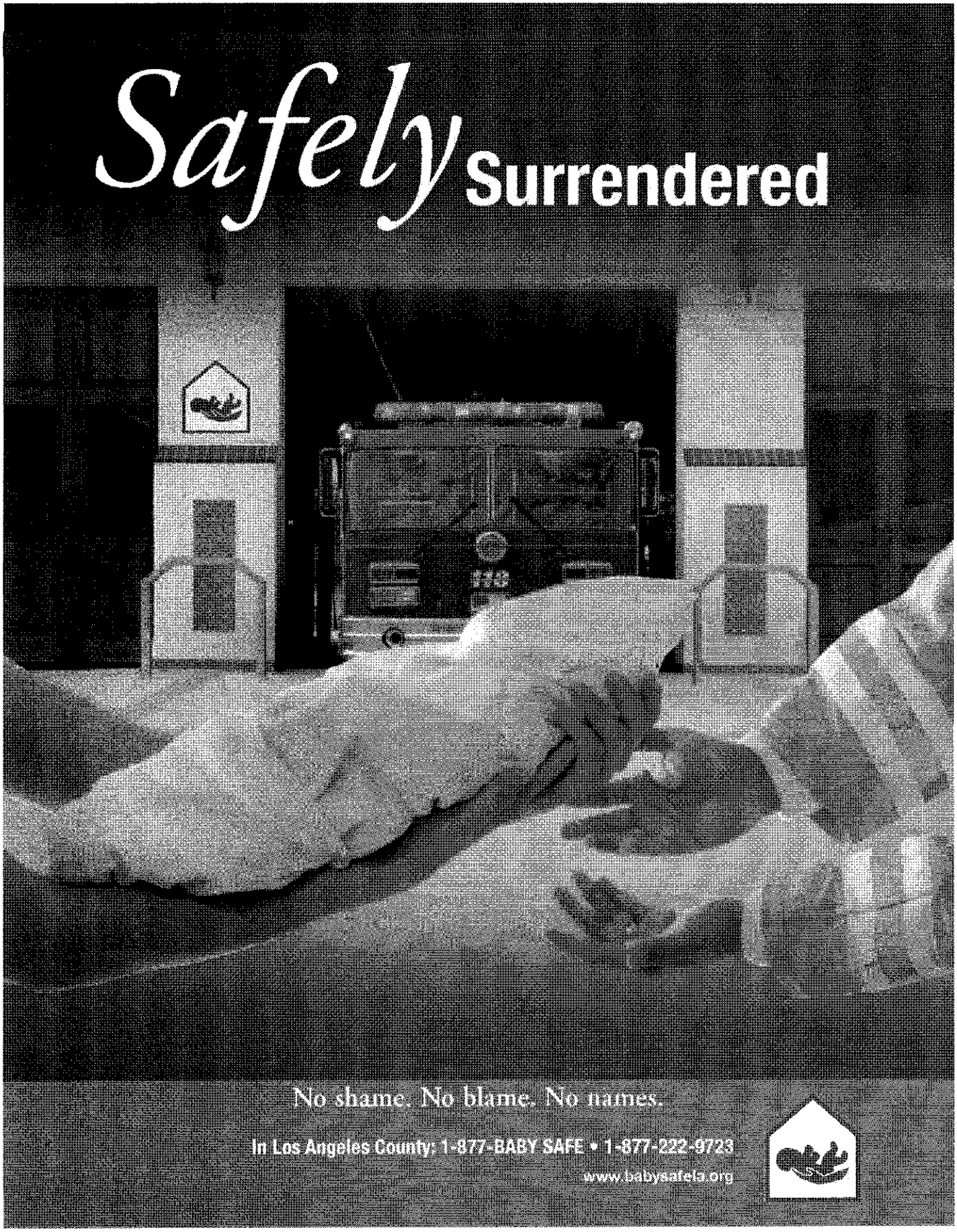
Signature of authorized official _____ Date _____

EXHIBIT VII

SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

Posters and Fact Sheets are available in English and Spanish for printing purposes at the following website:

www.babysafela.org


Safely Surrendered
No shame. No blame. No names.
In Los Angeles County: 1-877-BABY SAFE • 1-877-222-9723
www.babysafela.org

In Los Angeles County 1 877 BABY SAFE 1 877 222 9723
www.babysafela.org

Safely Surrendered *Baby Law*

What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents or other persons, with lawful custody, which means anyone to whom the parent has given permission to confidentially surrender a baby. As long as the baby is three days (72 hours) of age or younger and has not been abused or neglected, the baby may be surrendered without fear of arrest or prosecution.

How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially, and safely surrender a baby within three days (72 hours) of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County. As long as the baby shows no sign of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, staff will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent or other surrendering adult.

What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

Can only a parent bring in the baby?

No. While in most cases a parent will bring in the baby, the Law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have lawful custody.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to call before bringing in the baby?

No. A parent or surrendering adult can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital or fire station personnel will ask the surrendering party to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the baby. The questionnaire includes a stamped return envelope and can be sent in at a later time.

What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment. Upon release from the hospital, social workers immediately place the baby in a safe and loving home and begin the adoption process.

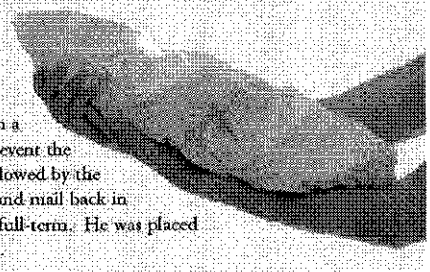
What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

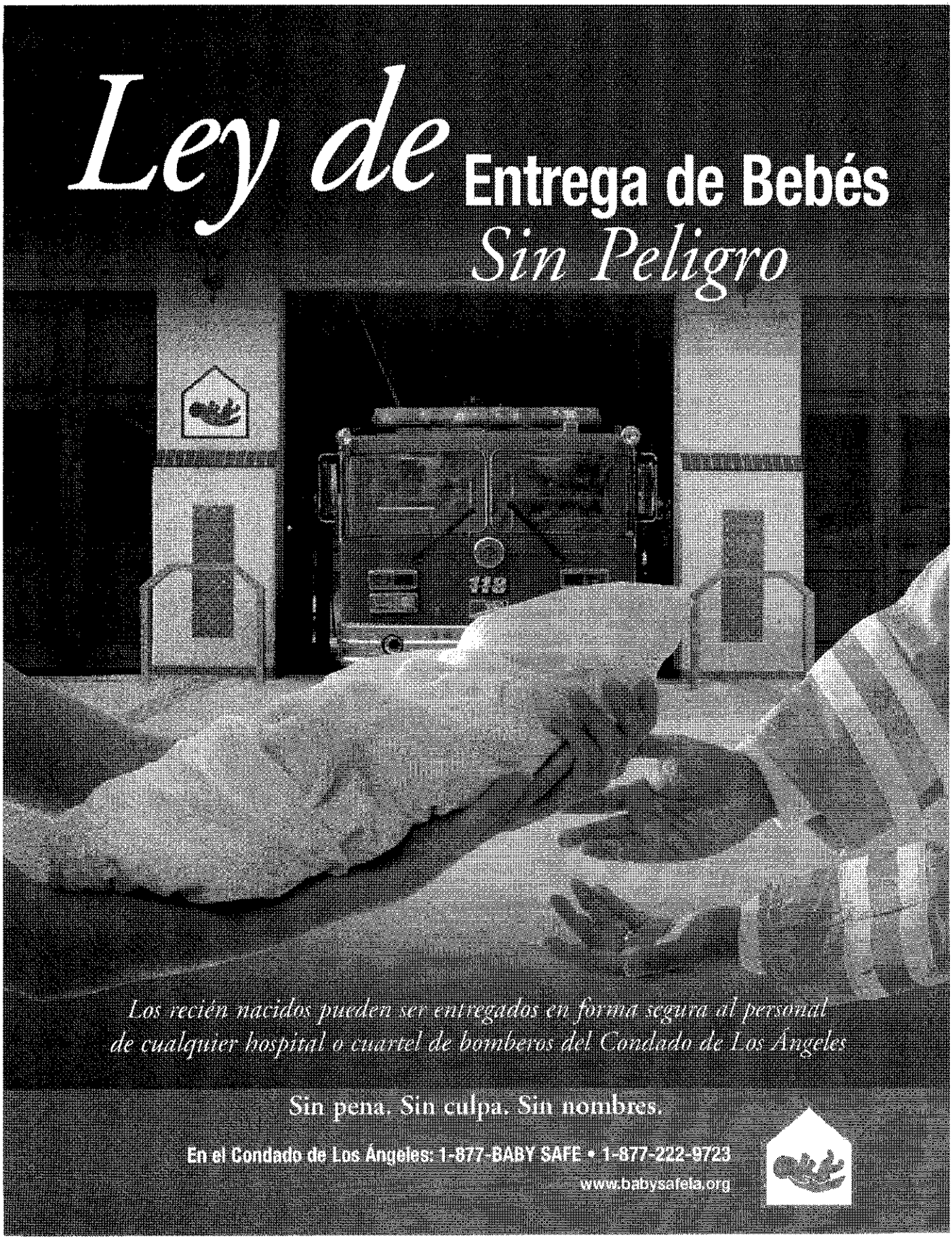
Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the **Safely Surrendered Baby Law** is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had no one or nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their babies. Abandoning a baby is illegal and places the baby in extreme danger. Too often, it results in the baby's death. The **Safely Surrendered Baby Law** prevents this tragedy from ever happening again in California.

A baby's story



Early in the morning on April 9, 2005, a healthy baby boy was safely surrendered to nurses at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. The woman who brought the baby to the hospital identified herself as the baby's aunt and stated the baby's mother had asked her to bring the baby to the hospital on her behalf. The aunt was given a bracelet with a number matching the anklet placed on the baby; this would provide some identification in the event the mother changed her mind about surrendering the baby and wished to reclaim the baby in the 14-day period allowed by the Law. The aunt was also provided with a medical questionnaire and said she would have the mother complete and mail back in the stamped return envelope provided. The baby was examined by medical staff and pronounced healthy and full-term. He was placed with a loving family that had been approved to adopt him by the Department of Children and Family Services.


Ley de Entrega de Bebés
Sin Peligro
Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados en forma segura al personal
de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles
Sin pena. Sin culpa. Sin nombres.
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Ley de Entrega de Bebés *Sin Peligro*

¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro de California permite la entrega confidencial de un recién nacido por parte de sus padres u otras personas con custodia legal, es decir cualquier persona a quien los padres le hayan dado permiso. Siempre que el bebé tenga tres días (72 horas) de vida o menos, y no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, pueden entregar al recién nacido sin temor de ser arrestados o procesados.

Cada recién nacido se merece la oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele que tiene otras opciones. Hasta tres días (72 horas) después del nacimiento, se puede entregar un recién nacido al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del condado de Los Angeles.

¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura dentro de los tres días (72 horas) del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazalete y el padre/madre o el adulto que lo entregue recibirá un brazalete igual.

¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden comenzar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Ángeles al 1-800-540-4000.

¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

No. Si bien en la mayoría de los casos son los padres los que llevan al bebé, la ley permite que otras personas lo hagan *si tienen custodia legal.*

¿Los padres o el adulto que entrega al bebé deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre o adulto puede llevar al bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, siempre y cuando entreguen a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o cuartel de bomberos.

¿Es necesario que el padre/madre o adulto diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos le pedirá a la persona que entregue al bebé que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para cuidar bien del bebé. El cuestionario incluye un sobre con el sello postal pagado para enviarlo en otro momento.

¿Qué pasará con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y le brindarán atención médica. Cuando le den el alta del hospital, los trabajadores sociales inmediatamente ubicarán al bebé en un hogar seguro donde estará bien atendido, y se comenzará el proceso de adopción.

¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre o adulto que entregue al bebé?

Una vez que los padres o adulto hayan entregado al bebé al personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos, pueden irse en cualquier momento.

¿Por qué se está haciendo esto en California? ?

La finalidad de la **Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro** es proteger a los bebés para que no sean abandonados, lastimados o muertos por sus padres. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Los padres de esos bebés probablemente hayan estado pasando por dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus bebés porque tenían miedo y no tenían nadie a quien pedir ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido es ilegal y pone al bebé en una situación de peligro extremo. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. La **Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro** impide que vuelva a suceder esta tragedia en California.

Historia de un bebé

A la mañana temprano del día 9 de abril de 2005, se entregó un recién nacido saludable a las enfermeras del Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. La mujer que llevó el recién nacido al hospital se dio a conocer como la tía del bebé, y dijo que la madre le había pedido que llevara al bebé al hospital en su nombre. Le entregaron a la tía un brazalete con un número que coincidía con la pulsera del bebé; esto serviría como identificación en caso de que la madre cambiara de opinión con respecto a la entrega del bebé y decidiera recuperarlo dentro del período de 14 días que permite esta ley. También le dieron a la tía un cuestionario médico, y ella dijo que la madre lo llenaría y lo enviaría de vuelta dentro del sobre con franqueo pagado que le habían dado. El personal médico examinó al bebé y se determinó que estaba saludable y a término. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia que ya había sido aprobada para adoptarlo por el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias.

EXHIBIT VIII

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION

_____
Company Name

_____
Address

_____
Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

_____
California Registry of Charitable Trusts "CT" number (if applicable)

The Nonprofit Integrity Act (SB 1262, Chapter 919) added requirements to California's Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act which regulates those receiving and raising charitable contributions.

Check the Certification below that is applicable to your company.

☐ Proposer or Contractor has examined its activities and determined that it does not now receive or raise charitable contributions regulated under California's Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act. If Proposer engages in activities subjecting it to those laws during the term of a County contract, it will timely comply with them and provide County a copy of its initial registration with the California State Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts when filed.

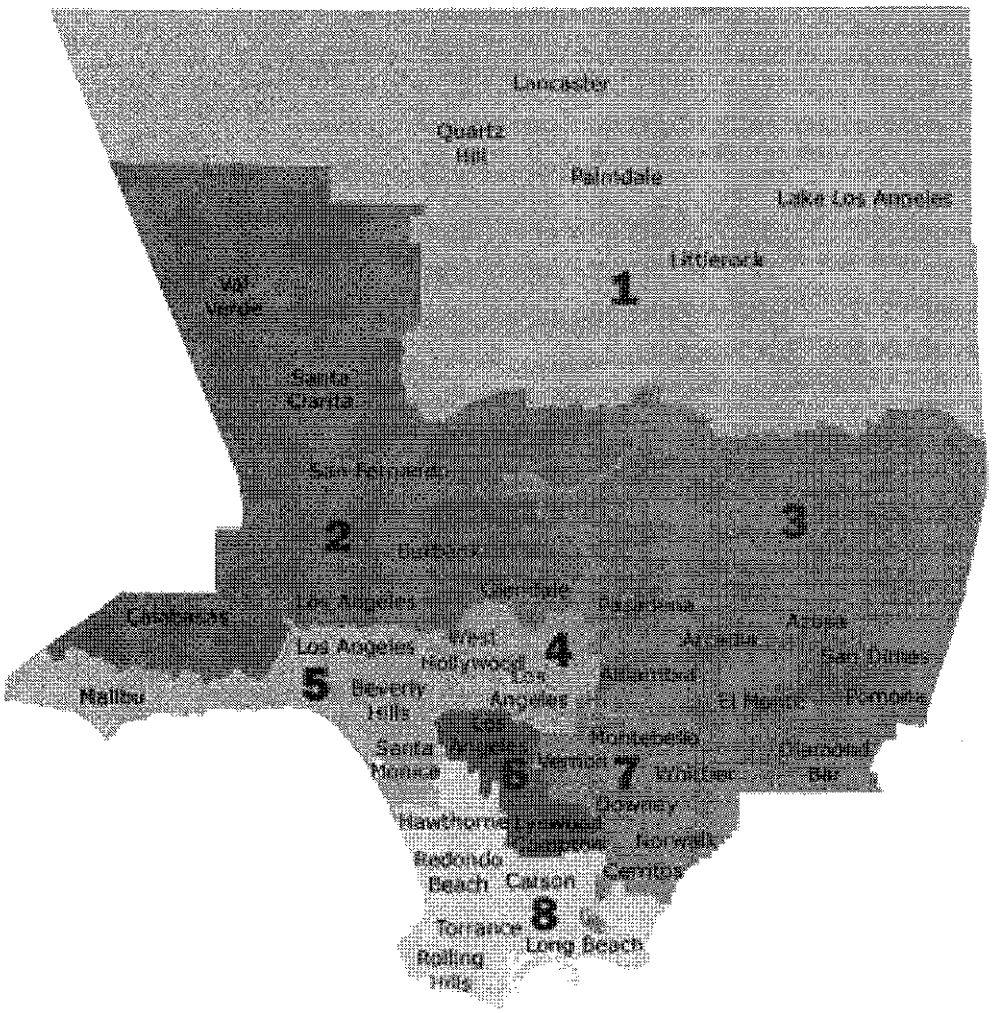
OR

☐ Proposer or Contractor is registered with the California Registry of Charitable Trusts under the CT number listed above and is in compliance with its registration and reporting requirements under California law. Attached is a copy of its most recent filing with the Registry of Charitable Trusts as required by Title 11 California Code of Regulations, sections 300-301 and Government Code sections 12585-12586.

_____ _____
Signature Date

_____
Name and Title of Signer (please print)

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE AREAS



The Department of Mental Health divides the County into eight service areas.

EXHIBIT IX (Continued)

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
COMMON AREAS

C O M M U N I T I E S / C I T I E S

COMMON SERVICE AREA 1	-Lancaster, Palmdale
COMMON SERVICE AREA 2	-Agoura Hills, Burbank, Calabasas, Glendale, Hidden Hills, L. A. (Part), La Canada - Flintridge, San Fernando, Santa Clarita, Westlake Village
COMMON SERVICE AREA 3	-Alhambra, Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Bradbury, Claremont, Covina, Diamond Bar, Duarte, El Monte, Glendora, Industry, Irwindale, La Puente, La Verne, Monrovia, Monterey Park, Pasadena, Pomona, Rosemead, San Dimas, San Gabriel, San Marino, Sierra Madre, South El Monte, South Pasadena, Temple City, Walnut, West Covina
COMMON SERVICE AREA 4	-L. A. (Part), West Hollywood
COMMON SERVICE AREA 5	-Beverly Hills, Calabasas, Culver City, L.A. (Part), Malibu, Santa Monica
COMMON SERVICE AREA 6	-Compton, L.A. (Part), Lynwood, Paramount
COMMON SERVICE AREA 7	-Artesia, Bell, Bell Gardens, Bellflower, Cerritos, Commerce, Cudahy, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, Huntington Park, L.A. (Part), La Habra Heights, La Mirada, Lakewood, Maywood, Montebello, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, Southgate, Vernon, Whittier
COMMON SERVICE AREA 8	-Avalon, Carson, El Segundo, Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, L.A. (Part), Lawndale, Long Beach, Lomita, Manhattan Beach, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Redondo Beach, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Signal Hill, Torrance

BACKGROUND AND RESOURCES: CALIFORNIA CHARITITES REGULATION

There is a keen public interest in preventing misuse of charitable contributions. California's "Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act" regulates those raising and receiving charitable contributions. The "Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004" (SB 1262, Chapter 919) tightened Charitable Purposes Act requirements for charitable organization administration and fundraising.

The Charitable Purposes Act rules cover California public benefit corporations, unincorporated associations, and trustee entities. They may include similar foreign corporations doing business or holding property in California. Generally, an organization is subject to the registration and reporting requirements of the Charitable Purposes Act if it is a California nonprofit public benefit corporation or is tax exempt under Internal Revenue Code § 501(c)(3), and not exempt from reporting under Government Code § 12583. Most educational institutions, hospitals, cemeteries, and religious organizations are exempt from Supervision of Trustees Act requirements.

Key new Charitable Purposes Act requirements affect executive compensation, fund-raising practices and documentation. Charities with over $2 million of revenues (excluding grants and service-contract funds a governmental entity requires to be accounted for) have new audit requirements. Charities required to have audits must also establish an audit committee whose members have no material financial interest in any entity doing business with the charity.

Organizations or persons that receive or raise charitable contributions are likely to be subject to the Charitable Purposes Act. A Proposer on Los Angeles County contracts must determine if it is subject to the Charitable Purposes Act and certify either that:

- It is not presently subject to the Act, but will comply if later activities make it subject, or,
- If subject, it is currently in compliance.

RESOURCES

The following references to resources are offered to assist Proposers who engage in charitable contributions activities. Each Proposer, however, is ultimately responsible to research and determine its own legal obligations and properly complete its compliance certification (Exhibit 20).

In California, supervision of charities is the responsibility of the Attorney General, whose website, **http://caag.state.ca.us/** , contains much information helpful to regulated charitable organizations.

1. LAWS AFFECTING NONPROFITS

The "Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act" is found at California Government Code §§ 12580 through 12599.7. Implementing regulations are found at Title 11, California Code of Regulations, §§ 300 through 312. In California, charitable solicitations ("advertising") are governed by Business & Professions Code §§ 17510 through 17510.95. Regulation of nonprofit corporations is found at Title 11, California Code of Regulations, §§ 999.1 through 999.5. (Amended regulations are pending.) Links to all of these rules are at: **http://caag.state.ca.us/charities/statutes.htm** .

2. SUPPORT FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Several organizations offer both complimentary and fee-based assistance to nonprofits, including in Los Angeles, the *Center for Nonprofit Management,* 606 S. Olive St #2450, Los Angeles, CA 90014 (213) 623-7080 **http://www.cnmsocal.org/**., and statewide, the *California Association of Nonprofits,* **http://www.canonprofits.org/**. Both organizations' websites offer information about how to establish and manage a charitable organization.

The above information, including the organizations listed, provided under this sub-section of this Appendix N is for informational purposes only. Nothing contained in this sub-section shall be construed as an endorsement by the County of Los Angeles of such organizations.

ATTESTATION OF WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER GAIN/GROW PARTICIPANTS

As a threshold requirement for consideration for contract award, Proposer shall demonstrate a proven record for hiring GAIN/GROW participants or shall attest to a willingness to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment opening if they meet the minimum qualifications for that opening. Additionally, Proposer shall attest to a willingness to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to the Proposer's employee mentoring program, if available, to assist these individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or promotional opportunities.

Proposers unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for contract award.

Proposer shall complete all of the following information, sign where indicated below, and return this form with their proposal.

		Yes	No
A.	Proposer has a proven record of hiring GAIN/GROW participants. *(Subject to verification by County.)*	☐	☐
B.	Proposer is willing to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment openings if the GAIN/GROW participant meets the minimum qualifications for the opening. "Consider" means that Proposer is willing to interview qualified GAIN/GROW participants.	☐	☐
C.	Proposer is willing to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to its employee-mentoring program, if available.	☐	☐
	If Program Not Available: ☐ **N/A**		

Proposer's Name: _____

Signature: _____

Print Name of Authorized Signatory: _____

Title of Authorized Signatory: _____

Telephone No.: _____ Fax No.: _____

Date: _____

ATTACHMENT II

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AGREEMENT

CONTRACTOR:

_____

_____

Business Address:

_____

_____

_____
Contract Number

_____
Reference Number

Contractor Headquarters' Supervisorial District

Mental Health Service Area(s)_____ OR Countywide __X_

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DISTRIBUTION

(Please type in the applicable name for each)

Deputy Director_____ Lead Manager _____

K: S____ --or-- U ____

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SERVICES AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

AND

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RECITALS

WHEREAS, the County has a need for, and desires to engage the services of an individual or firm with special expertise and experience to be a Contractor for the County to provide sign language interpreter services for the hearing-impaired; and

WHEREAS, Contractor is specifically trained and possesses the skills, experience, and competency to provide assistance for the hearing-impaired; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to engage Contractor for such special services upon the terms provided in this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the County is authorized by Government Code Section 31000 to contract for such special services, including those contemplated herein; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, conditions, representations and warranties contained herein, it is agreed by and between County and Contractor as follows:

PREAMBLE

For over a decade, the County has collaborated with its community partners to enhance the capacity of the health and human services system to improve the lives of children and families. These efforts require, as a fundamental expectation, that the County's contracting partners share the County and community's commitment to provide health and human services that support achievement of the County's vision, goals, values, and adopted outcomes. Key to these efforts is the integration of service delivery systems and the adoption of the Customer Service and Satisfaction Standards.

The County of Los Angeles' Vision is to improve the quality of life in the County by providing responsive, efficient, and high quality public services that promote the self-sufficiency, well-being and prosperity of individuals, families, business and communities. This philosophy of teamwork and collaboration is anchored in the shared values of:

- Responsiveness
- Professionalism
- Accountability
- Compassion
- Integrity
- Commitment
- A Can-Do Attitude
- Respect for Diversity

These shared values are encompassed in the County Mission to enrich lives through effective and caring service and the County Strategic Plan's eight goals: 1) Service Excellence; 2) Workforce Excellence; 3) Organizational Effectiveness; 4) Fiscal Responsibility; 5) Children and Families' Well-Being; 6) Community Services; 7) Health and Mental Health; and 8) Public Safety. Improving the well-being of children and families requires coordination, collaboration, and integration of services across functional and jurisdictional boundaries, by and between County departments/agencies, and community and contracting partners.

The basic conditions that represent the well-being we seek for all children and families in Los Angeles County are delineated in the following five outcomes, adopted by the Board of Supervisors in January 1993.

- Good Health;
- Economic Well-Being;
- Safety and Survival;
- Emotional and Social Well-Being; and
- Education and Workforce Readiness.

Recognizing no single strategy - in isolation - can achieve the County's outcomes of well-being for children and families, consensus has emerged among County and community leaders that making substantial improvements in integrating the County's health and human services system is necessary to significantly move toward achieving these outcomes. The County has also established the following values and goals for guiding this effort to integrate the health and human services delivery system:

- ✔ Families are treated with respect in every encounter they have with the health, educational, and social services systems.
- ✔ Families can easily access a broad range of services to address their needs, build on their strengths, and achieve their goals.

- ✔ There is no "wrong door": wherever a family enters the system is the right place.
- ✔ Families receive services tailored to their unique situations and needs.
- ✔ Service providers and advocates involve families in the process of determining service plans, and proactively provide families with coordinated and comprehensive information, services, and resources.
- ✔ The County service system is flexible, able to respond to service demands for both the Countywide population and specific population groups.
- ✔ The County service system acts to strengthen communities, recognizing that just as individuals live in families, families live in communities.
- ✔ In supporting families and communities, County agencies work seamlessly with public and private service providers, community-based organizations, and other community partners.
- ✔ County agencies and their partners work together seamlessly to demonstrate substantial progress towards making the system more strength-based, family-focused, culturally-competent, accessible, user-friendly, responsive, cohesive, efficient, professional, and accountable.
- ✔ County agencies and their partners focus on administrative and operational enhancements to optimize the sharing of information, resources, and best practices while also protecting the privacy rights of families.
- ✔ County agencies and their partners pursue multi-disciplinary service delivery, a single service plan, staff development opportunities, infrastructure enhancements, customer service and satisfaction evaluation, and revenue maximization.
- ✔ County agencies and their partners create incentives to reinforce the direction toward service integration and a seamless service delivery system.
- ✔ The County human service system embraces a commitment to the disciplined pursuit of results accountability across systems. Specifically, any strategy designed to improve the County human services system for children and families should ultimately be judged by whether it helps achieve the County's five outcomes for

children and families: good health, economic well-being, safety and survival, emotional and social well-being, and education and workforce readiness.

The County, its clients, contracting partners, and the community will continue to work together to develop ways to make County services more accessible, customer friendly, better integrated, and outcome-focused. Several departments have identified shared themes in their strategic plans for achieving these goals including: making an effort to become more consumer/client-focused; valuing community partnerships and collaborations; emphasizing values and integrity; and using a strengths-based and multi-disciplinary team approach. County departments are also working to provide the Board of Supervisors and the community with a better understanding of how resources are being utilized, how well services are being provided, and what are the results of the services: is anyone better off?

The County of Los Angeles health and human service departments and their partners are working together to achieve the following *Customer Service and Satisfaction Standards* in support of improving outcomes for children and families.

Personal Service Delivery

The service delivery team – staff and volunteers – will treat customers and each other with courtesy, dignity, and respect.

- Introduce themselves by name
- Listen carefully and patiently to customers
- Be responsive to cultural and linguistic needs
- Explain procedures clearly
- Build on the strengths of families and communities

Service Access

Service providers will work proactively to facilitate customer access to services.

- Provide services as promptly as possible
- Provide clear directions and service information
- Outreach to the community and promote available services
- Involve families in service plan development
- Follow-up to ensure appropriate delivery of services

Service Environment

Service providers will deliver services in a clean, safe, and welcoming environment, which supports the effective delivery of services.

- Ensure a safe environment
- Ensure a professional atmosphere
- Display vision, mission, and values statements
- Provide a clean and comfortable waiting area
- Ensure privacy
- Post complaint and appeals procedures

The basis for all County health and human services contracts is the provision of the highest level of quality services that support improved outcomes for children and families. The County and its contracting partners must work together and share a commitment to achieve a common vision, goals, outcomes, and standards for providing services.

THIS AGREEMENT for Sign Language Interpreter Services (hereafter "Agreement") is made and entered into this _ day of _____, 2009, by and between_____ (hereafter "Contractor") and the County of Los Angeles, on behalf of its Department of Mental Health (hereafter "County").

1.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS: Exhibits I, II, III, IV, V, VI and VII are attached to and form a part of this Agreement. Any reference throughout the base agreement and each of its exhibits to "Agreement" shall, unless the context clearly denotes otherwise, denote the base agreement with all exhibits hereby incorporated. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in meaning or provisions between the base agreement and the exhibits, or between exhibits, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the base agreement, and then to the exhibits according to the following priority:

A.	Exhibit I-	Statement of Work
B.	Exhibit II-	Financial Summary
C.	Exhibit III-	Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement
D.	Exhibit IV-	Contractor Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement
E.	Exhibit V	Attestation Regarding Federally Funded Programs
F.	Exhibit VI	Safely Surrendered Baby Law
G.	Exhibit VII	Charitable Contributions Certification

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2.0 ADMINISTRATION: Director shall have the authority to administer this Agreement on behalf of County. Contractor shall designate in writing a Contract Manager who shall function as liaison with County regarding Contractor's performance hereunder.

3.0 SERVICES PROVIDED: Contractor shall provide services to County as set forth in Exhibit I (STATEMENT OF WORK) which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

4.0 TERM OF AGREEMENT: The period of this Agreement shall commence on July 1, 2009 and shall continue in full force and effect through June 30, 2014.

A. Six Months Notification of Agreement Expiration: Contractor shall notify County when this Agreement is within six (6) months of expiration. Contractor shall send such notice to those persons and addresses which are set forth in Paragraph 50 (NOTICES)

B. Suspension of Payments: Payments to Contractor under this Agreement shall be suspended if Director, for good cause, determines that Contractor is in default under any of the provisions of this Agreement. Except in cases of alleged fraud or similar intentional wrongdoing, at least 30 calendar days notice of such suspension shall be provided to Contractor, including a statement of the reason(s) for such suspension. Thereafter, Contractor may, within 15 calendar days, request reconsideration of the Director's decision. Payments shall not be withheld pending the results of the reconsideration process.

5.0 COMPENSATION:

A. In consideration of the performance by Contractor in a manner satisfactory to County of the services described in Exhibit I, Contractor shall be paid in accordance with the Fee Schedule established in Exhibit II. Total compensation for all services furnished hereunder shall not exceed the sum of N/A DOLLARS ($N/A) for each Fiscal Year 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13, and 2013-14. Notwithstanding such limitation of funds, Contractor agrees to satisfactorily provide all services specified in Exhibit I. To request payment, Contractor shall present to County's Program Manager monthly in arrears invoices accompanied by a statement of the number of hours worked daily by each individual assigned to provide services and a report of service hours completed for the invoice period. This report shall be prepared in a format satisfactory to County's Program Manager or his/her designated representative.

B. The Maximum Contract Amount for this Agreement shall not exceed N/A DOLLARS ($N/A) for each Fiscal Year 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13, and 2013-14. In no event shall County pay Contractor more than this Maximum Contract Amount for Contractor's performance hereunder. Furthermore, Contractor shall inform County when up to seventy-five percent (75%) of the Maximum Contract Amount has been incurred. Contractor shall send such notice to those persons and addresses which are set forth in Paragraph 50 (NOTICES). Payment to Contractor shall be only upon written approval of the invoice and report by County's Program Manager or his/her designated representative.

Contractor shall submit invoices to:

County of Los Angeles
Department of Mental Health
ACCESS Center
12440 E. Imperial Hwy. Suite 116
Norwalk, CA 90650
ATTN: Program Manager

C. No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/Termination of Contract: Contractor shall have no claim against County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Contract. Should Contractor receive any such payment, it shall immediately notify County and shall immediately repay all such funds to County. Payment by County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Contract shall not constitute a waiver of County's right to recover such payment from Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Contract.

D. Budget Reductions: In the event that the County's Board of Supervisors adopts, in any fiscal year, a County Budget which provides for reductions in County contracts, the County reserves the right to reduce its payment obligation under this Agreement to implement such Board reductions for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Agreement (including any extensions), and the services to be provided by the Contractor under this Agreement shall also be reduced correspondingly. The County's notice to the Contractor regarding said reduction in payment obligation shall be provided within thirty (30) calendar days of the Board's approval of such action. Except as set

forth in the preceding sentence, the Contractor shall continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Agreement.

6.0 COUNTY'S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN: The County or its agent will evaluate Contractor's performance under this Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing Contractor's compliance with all contract terms and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which County determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of the Agreement in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the Board of Supervisors. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, County may terminate this Agreement or impose other penalties as specified in this Agreement.

7.0 REPORTING RESPONSIBILITY AND USE OF COUNTY RESOURCES:

A. County's Program Manager:

(1) Contractor shall report to County's Program Manager who shall be responsible for coordination of all administrative and contractual matters relating to this Agreement, the approval of all invoices submitted hereunder by Contractor, and final acceptance of all documentation and work.

(2) Upon advance approval of the County Program Manager, County may provide Contractor with certain County resources, and use of County facilities, as determined by the County Program Manager, who shall be the sole judge of the reasonableness and extent of any such use. The use or non-use of County resources by Contractor shall not relieve Contractor of its responsibility to provide services and complete all work under this Agreement in a manner satisfactory to County, and shall not affect Contractor status as an independent contractor. County's Program Manager shall be: Julie Valdez.

B. Contractor Manager: Contractor Manager shall be responsible for coordination of all administrative and contractual matters relating to this Agreement, including, but not limited to, allocation of Contractor resources, submission of invoices, and resolution of any questions/disputes.

Contractor Manager shall be:

_____, CEO

8.0 PERFORMANCE UNDER EMERGENCY CONDITIONS :

A. FORCE MAJEUR: In the event that performance by either party is rendered impossible

(permanent or temporarily) by governmental restrictions, regulation or controls or other causes beyond the reasonable control of such party, said event shall excuse performance by such party, or in the case of temporary impossibility, shall excuse performance only for a period commensurate with the period of impossibility. Notwithstanding the foregoing, County shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon any event which renders performance impossible. In such case, County shall be responsible for payment of all expenses incurred to the point at which this Agreement is terminated.

B. CONTRACTOR'S PERFORMANCE DURING CIVIL UNREST OR DISASTER: Contractor and its subcontractor(s) recognize that health care facilities (e.g., residential health care facilities) maintained by County, and the participants that they serve, provide care that is essential to the residents of the community they serve, and that these services are of particular importance at the time of riot, insurrection, civil unrest, natural disaster, or similar event. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Agreement, full performance by Contractor and its subcontractor(s) during any riot, insurrection, civil unrest, natural disaster or similar event is not excused if such performance remains physically possible. Failure to comply with this requirement shall be considered a material breach by Contractor for which Director may suspend of County may immediate terminate this agreement.

C. EMERGENCY AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS: Notwithstanding Contractor's and County's contractual objective to provide services to eligible persons, Contractor shall make program services available to any person impacted during the event of a state/nationally declared emergency, contingent upon the availability and commitment of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) or State Office of Emergency Services (OES) funds with which to reimburse Contractor for funds expended.

9.0 WARRANTY: Contractor represents and warrants that all work, deliverables, and other services provided to County shall be of professional quality, will be provided as required by this Agreement, and will be free from any, errors, or omissions.

10.0 INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE:

A. Indemnification: Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless County, and its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses (including attorney and

expert witness fees), arising from or connected with Contractor's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Agreement.

B. General Insurance Requirements: Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County and during the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide and maintain, and shall require all of its subcontractors to maintain, the following programs of insurance specified in this Agreement. Such insurance shall be primary to and not contributing with any other insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by County, and such coverage shall be provided and maintained at Contractor's own expense.

1) Evidence of Insurance: Certificate(s) or other evidence of coverage satisfactory to County shall be delivered to *Department of Mental Health Contracts Development and Administration Division, 550 South Vermont Avenue, 5th Floor, Los Angeles, CA, 90020,* prior to commencing services under this Agreement. Such certificates or other evidence shall:

(a) Specifically identify this Agreement.

(b) Clearly evidence all coverages required in this Agreement.

(c) Contain the express condition that County is to be given written notice by mail at least thirty (30) days in advance of cancellation for all policies evidenced on the certificate of insurance.

(d) Include copies of the additional insured endorsement to the commercial general liability policy, adding the County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, its officials, officers and employees as insured for all activities arising from this Agreement.

(e) Identify any deductibles or self-insured retentions for County's approval. The County retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as they apply to County, or, require Contractor to provide a bond guaranteeing payment of all such retained losses and related costs, including, but not limited to, expenses or fees, or both, related to investigations, claims administrations, and legal defense. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

2) Insurer Financial Ratings: Insurance is to be provided by an insurance company acceptable to the County with an A.M. Best rating of not less than A:VII, unless otherwise approved by County.

3) Failure to Maintain Coverage: Failure by Contractor to maintain the required insurance, or to provide evidence of insurance coverage acceptable to County, shall constitute a material breach of the contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement. County, at its sole option, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, County may purchase such required insurance coverage, and without further notice to Contractor, County may deduct from sums due to Contractor any premium costs advanced by County for such insurance.

4) Notification of Incidents, Claims or Suits: Contractor shall report to County:

(a) Any accident or incident relating to services performed under this Agreement which involves injury or property damage which may result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County. Such report shall be made in writing within 24 hours of occurrence.

(b) Any third party claim or lawsuit filed against Contractor arising from or related to services performed by Contractor under this Agreement.

(c) Any injury to a Contractor employee which occurs on County property. This report shall be submitted on a County "Non-employee Injury Report" to the County contract manager.

(d) Any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of any kind whatsoever of County property, monies or securities entrusted to Contractor under the terms of this Agreement.

5) Compensation for County Costs: In the event that Contractor fails to comply with any of the indemnification or insurance requirements of this Agreement, and such failure to comply results in any costs to County, Contractor shall pay full compensation for all costs incurred by County.

6) Insurance Coverage Requirements for Subcontractors: Contractor shall ensure any and all sub-contractors performing services under this Agreement meet the insurance requirements of this Agreement by either:

(a) Contractor providing evidence of insurance covering the activities of sub-contractors, or

(b) Contractor providing evidence submitted by sub-contractors evidencing that sub-contractors maintain the required insurance coverage. County retains the right to obtain copies of evidence of sub-contractor insurance coverage at any time.

C. Insurance Coverage Requirements:

1) General Liability: Insurance (written on ISO policy form CG 00 01 or its equivalent) with limits of not less than the following:

General Aggregate: Two Million Dollars	($2,000,000)
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate: One Million Dollars	($1,000,000)
Personal and Advertising Injury: One Million Dollars	($1,000,000)
Each Occurrence: One Million Dollars	($1,000,000)

2) Automobile Liability: Insurance (written on ISO policy form CA 00 01 or its equivalent) with a limit of liability of not less than One Million Dollars ($1,000,000) for each accident. Such insurance shall include coverage for all "owned", "hired" and "non-owned" vehicles, or coverage for "any auto".

3) Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability: Insurance providing workers compensation benefits, as required by the Labor Code of the State of California or by any other state, and for which Contractor is responsible. If Contractor's employees will be engaged in maritime employment, coverage shall provide workers compensation benefits as required by the U.S. Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, Jones Act or any other federal law for which Contractor is responsible. In all cases, the above insurance also shall include Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than the following:

Each Accident: One Million Dollars	($1,000,000)
Disease – policy limit: One Million Dollars	($1,000,000)
Disease – each employee: One Million Dollars	($1,000,000)

4) Professional Liability: Insurance covering liability arising from any error, omission, negligent or wrongful act of the Contractor, its officers or employees with limits of not less than One Million Dollars ($1,000,000) per occurrence and Three Million Dollars ($3,000,000) aggregate. The coverage also shall provide an extended two-year reporting period commencing upon termination or cancellation of this Agreement.

11.0 CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

A. Contractor shall provide to County an executed Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement (Exhibit III) prior to performing work under this Agreement. Such Agreement shall

be delivered to Department of Mental Health, ATTN: Chief, Contracts Development and Administration Division, 550 South Vermont Avenue 5th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90020 on or immediately after the effective date of this Agreement but in no event later than the date the Contractor first performs work under this Agreement.

12.0 CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT: Contractor shall maintain on file an executed Contractor Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement (Exhibit IV) for each individual who performs work under this Agreement after the effective date of this Agreement but in no event later than the date the individual first performs work under this Agreement. Such Agreements shall be maintained in accordance with all applicable County, State and Federal requirements and made available for inspection and/or audit by authorized representatives of County, State and/or Federal governments.

13.0 TITLE TO PROPERTY: County and Contractor agree that all design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, and all other original materials and work product produced by the Contractor pursuant to performance under this Agreement, are the sole property of the Contractor. County and Contractor agree that all data, including enhancements and modifications of the data, generated during the course of this agreement shall remain the sole property of the County. Contractor further agrees that any documentation or technical materials provided by County or generated by County or Contractor during the course of Contractor performance pursuant to this Agreement shall not be reproduced or disclosed without the prior written consent of County's Project Manager.

14.0 TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT:

A. This Agreement may be terminated, in whole or in part, from time to time, when such action is deemed by County to be in its best interest. Termination of work hereunder shall be effected by notice of termination to Contractor specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective which shall be no less than five (5) business days after the notice is sent. Such termination shall be without liability to County other than payment for work already rendered up to the date of termination. County shall pay Contractor the reasonable value for such work not to exceed the maximum sum due under this Agreement.

B. After receipt of a notice of termination and except as otherwise directed by County,

Contractor shall:

1) Stop work under this Agreement on the date and to the extent specified in such notice;

2) Transfer title and deliver to County all completed work and work in process; and

3) Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by such notice.

C. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the failure of Contractor to comply with the terms of this Agreement or any directions by or on behalf of County issued pursuant thereto, may constitute a material breach hereof, thereby justifying immediate termination or suspension of this Agreement.

D. Contractor shall maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Agreement and, for a period of four (4) years after termination or final settlement under this Agreement.

E. Contractor shall make available to County, all of its books, records, documents or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of Contractor under this Agreement with respect to Contractor's work hereunder. All such material shall be maintained by Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County, provided that if any such material is located outside Los Angeles County, then, at County's option, Contractor shall pay County for travel, per diem, and other cost incurred by County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy or transcribe such material at such other location.

15.0 LIMITATION OF COUNTY'S OBLIGATION TO NON-APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS: Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, County shall not be obligated for Contractor's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Agreement during this or any of County's future fiscal years unless and until County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for this Agreement in County's Budget for each such fiscal year. Should County, during this or any subsequent fiscal year impose budgetary restrictions which appropriate less than the amount provided for in Paragraph 5 (COMPENSATION) of this Agreement, County shall reduce services under this Agreement consistent with such imposed budgetary reductions. In the event funds are not appropriated for this Agreement, then this Agreement shall terminate as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were

appropriated. County shall notify Contractor of any such changes in allocation of funds at the earliest possible date In the event of the imposition of such budgetary constraints, Contractor agrees to limit its performance, and its corresponding requirements for compensation, to work remaining under this Agreement as determined by County's Project Manager.

16.0 PROHIBITION AGAINST ASSIGNMENT AND DELEGATION: This is a personal services agreement and Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Agreement, or both, either in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County. Any unapproved assignment or delegation shall be null and void.

17.0 SUBCONTRACTING: No performance of this Agreement or any portion thereof may be subcontracted by Contractor without the express written consent of County, and any other subcontract shall be null and void and shall constitute a breach of the terms of this Agreement.

18.0 CAPTIONS AND PARAGRAPH HEADINGS: Captions and paragraph headings used throughout this Agreement, including all exhibits, are for convenience only and are not a part of the Agreement and shall not be used in constructing the Agreement.

19.0 WAIVER: No waiver by either party of any breach of any provision of this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any other breach of such provision. Failure of either party to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver thereof.

20.0 GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION AND VENUE: This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. Contractor agrees and consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes regarding this Agreement and further agrees and consents that venue of any action brought hereunder shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles, California.

21.0 CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

A. No County employee whose position in County enables such employee to influence the award or administration of this Agreement or any competing agreement, and no spouse or Contractor economic dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by or have any direct or indirect financial interest in this Agreement. No officer or employee of Contractor who may financially benefit from the provision of services hereunder shall in any way participate in County's approval, or

ongoing evaluation, of such services, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such services.

B. Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Agreement. Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts which create a conflict of interest. If Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts which might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to County. Full written disclosure shall include, without limitation, identification of all persons implicated and complete description of all relevant circumstances.

22.0 COMPLETE AGREEMENT: The body of this Agreement, and the Exhibits I, II, III, IV, V, VI and VII thereto, shall constitute the complete and exclusive statement of understanding between the parties which supersedes all previous agreements, written or oral, and all communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement.

23.0 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW:

A. Contractor shall comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, manuals, guidelines, and directives applicable to its performance hereunder. Further, all provisions required thereby to be included in this Agreement are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

B. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless County from and against any and all liability, damages, costs or expenses, including, but not limited, defense costs and attorneys' fees, arising from or related to any violation on the part of Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents, of any such Federal, State or local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, manuals, guidelines, or directives.

C. Contractor shall maintain in effect an active compliance program in accordance with the recommendations set forth by the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Inspector General.

D. Duty to Notify: Contractor agrees to notify County of any and all legal complaints, citations, enforcement proceedings, administrative proceedings, judgments or litigation, known to Contractor, whether civil or criminal initiated against Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents which are likely to have a material effect on the organization's stewardship, financial position and/or ability to perform and deliver services under this contract.

24.0 ALTERATION OF TERMS: No addition to, or alteration of, the terms of the body of this Agreement, or the Exhibit(s) or Budget(s) hereto, whether by written or oral understanding of the parties, their officers, employees or agents, shall be valid and effective unless made in the form of a written amendment to this Agreement which is formally approved and executed by the parties.

The County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in the Agreement during the term of this Agreement. The County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer. To implement such orders, an Amendment to the Agreement shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by the Director of Mental Health.

25.0 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS: It is understood and agreed, and it is the intention of the parties hereto, that Contractor is an independent contractor and not the employee, agent, joint venture, or partner of County for any purpose whatsoever. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for the payment of any and all Federal, State or local taxes which may be or become due as a result of Contractor's engagement under this Agreement.

26.0 COUNTY LOBBYIST: Contractor, and each County lobbyist or County lobbying firm as defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010 retained by Contractor, shall fully comply with County's Lobbyist Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of Contractor or any County lobbyist or County lobbying firm retained by Contractor to fully comply with County's Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement, upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

27.0 RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING: If any Federal funds are to be used to pay for any of Contractor's services under this Agreement, Contractor shall fully comply with all certification and disclosure requirements prescribed by Section 319 of Public Law 101-121 (31 United States Code Section 1352) and any implementing regulations, and shall ensure that each of its subcontractors receiving funds under this Agreement also fully complies with all such certification and disclosure requirements.

28.0 ANTI-DISCRIMINATION: Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by Contractor, its affiliates, subsidiaries or holding companies, are and will be treated equally by Contractor without regard to or because or race, religion, ancestry, national origin or sex, and in compliance with all anti-discrimination

laws of California and the United States. Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its subcontractors, bidders or vendors without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin or sex. Contractor shall allow County access to its employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with these provisions when so requested by County. If County finds that any of these provisions have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of contact upon which County may determine to cancel, terminate, or suspend this Agreement. In addition to an independent finding by County of such violation, a finding by the State of California or by the United States of violation shall constitute a finding by County of such violation.

Contractor and County agree that in the event of a violation by Contractor of the antidiscrimination provisions of this Agreement, County shall, at its option, be entitled to the sum of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000.00) pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as damages in lieu of canceling, terminating, or suspending this Agreement.

29.0 PERSONNEL ARE AGENTS OF CONTRACTOR: Contractor represents and warrants that all individuals performing work under this Agreement including, but not limited to, the individuals listed in Exhibit B hereto, and their agents and subcontractors, are fully authorized agents of Contractor for all purposes of this Agreement, and have actual and full authority to perform all activity and work related to this Agreement on behalf of Contractor.

30.0 TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION: County may, by written notice to Contractor, immediately terminate the right of Contractor to proceed under this Agreement if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee or agent with the intent of securing the Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment or extension of the Agreement or the making of any determination with respect to Contractor's performance pursuant to the Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the

supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861.

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, service, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

31.0 TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT:

A. County may, by written notice of default to Contractor, terminate this Agreement immediately in any one of the following circumstances:

1) If, as determined in the sole judgment of County, Contractor fails to perform any services within the times specified in this Agreement or any extension thereof as County may authorize in writing; or

2) If, as determined in the sole judgment of County, Contractor fails to perform and/or comply with any of the other provisions of this Agreement, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Agreement in accordance with its terms, and in either of these two circumstances, does not cure such failure within a period of five days (or such longer period as County may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from County specifying such failure.

B. In the event that County terminates this Agreement as provided in Sub- paragraph A, County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as County may deem appropriate, services similar to those so terminated, and Contractor shall be liable to County for any reasonable excess costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such similar services.

C. The rights and remedies of County provided in this Paragraph 31.0 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

32.0 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE: The performance of services under this Agreement may be terminated in whole or in part from time to time when such action is deemed by County to be in its best interest. Termination of services hereunder shall be effected by delivery to Contractor of a thirty (30) day advance Notice of Termination specifying the date upon which such termination becomes effective.

After receipt of a Notice of Termination and except as otherwise directed by County, Contractor shall stop services under this Agreement on this date specified in such Notice of Termination.

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33.0 CONSIDERATION OF HIRING COUNTY EMPLOYEES TARGETED FOR LAYOFF OR FORMER COUNTY EMPLOYEES ON A REEMPLOYMENT LIST: Should Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Agreement to perform the services set forth herein, Contractor shall give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified permanent County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified former County employees who are on a reemployment list during the term of this Agreement.

34.0 CONSIDERATION OF GAIN PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT: Should Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Agreement, Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services' Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program who meet Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. The County will refer GAIN participants by job category to the Contractor.

35.0 CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM:

A. Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program: Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from County through contract are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family, and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.

As required by County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting Contractor's duty under this Agreement to comply with all applicable provisions of law, Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Agreement maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholdings Orders or Child Support Services Department Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family, or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

B. Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Child Support Compliance Program: Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in

Subparagraph A (Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program) shall constitute default under this Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this Agreement, failure of Contractor to cure such default within 90 calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this Agreement pursuant to Paragraph 31 (TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT) and pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

36.0 AUTHORIZATION WARRANTY: Contractor represents and warrants that the person executing this Agreement on its behalf is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation of this Agreement and that all requirements of Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

37.0 NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME CREDIT: Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015.

38.0 USE OF RECYCLED-CONTENT PAPER PRODUCTS: Consistent with the Board of Supervisors' policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at the County landfills, the Contractor agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible on the Project.

39.0 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT:

A. A responsible Contractor is a Contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible contractors.

B. The Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other Agreements which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in the Agreement, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County Agreements for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five years but may exceed five years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing Agreements the Contractor may have with the County.

C. The County may debar a Contractor if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of an Agreement with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

D. If there is evidence that the Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify the Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise the Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.

E. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

F. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Hearing Board.

G. If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years, that Contractor may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material

evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interest of the County.

H. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

I. The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

J. These terms shall also apply to subcontractors of County Contractors.

40.0 CONTRACTOR'S EXCLUSION FROM PARTICIPATION IN A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM: Contractor hereby warrants that neither it nor any of its staff members is restricted or excluded from providing services under any health care program funded by the Federal government, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, and that Contractor will notify Director within 30 calendar days in writing of: (1) any event that would require Contractor or a staff member's mandatory exclusion from participation in a Federally funded health care program; and (2) any exclusionary action taken by any agency of the Federal government against Contractor or one or more staff members barring it or the staff members from participation in a Federally funded health care program, whether such bar is direct or indirect, or whether such bar is in whole or in part.

There are a variety of different reasons why an individual or entity may be excluded from participating in a Federally funded health care program. Sometimes, the exclusion is mandatory and in other cases the Office of Inspector General (OIG) has the discretion not to exclude.

The mandatory bases for exclusion include: (1) felony convictions for program related crimes, including fraud or false claims, or for offenses related to the dispensing or use of controlled substances, or (2) convictions related to patient abuse.

Permissive exclusions may be based on: (1) conviction of a misdemeanor related to fraud or financial misconduct involving a government program; (2) obstructing an investigation; (3) failing to provide access to documents or premises as required by federal health care program officials; (4) conviction of a misdemeanor related to controlled substances; (5) failing to disclose information about the entity itself, its subcontractors or its significant business transactions; (6) loss of a state license to practice a health care profession; (7) default on a student loan given in connection with education in a health profession; (8) charging excessive amounts to a Federally funded health care program or furnishing services of poor quality or which are substantially in excess of the needs of the patients; (9) paying a kickback or submitting a false or fraudulent claim. Persons controlling or managing excluded entities who knew of the conduct leading to the exclusion can themselves be excluded, and entities which are owned and controlled by excluded individuals can also be excluded.

Contractor shall indemnify and hold County harmless against any and all loss or damage County may suffer arising from any Federal exclusion of Contractor or its staff members from such participation in a Federally funded health care program. Contractor shall provide the certification set forth in Exhibit V as part of its obligation under this Paragraph 40.

Failure by Contractor to meet the requirements of this Paragraph shall constitute a material breach of Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

41.0 CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION – LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS (45 C.F.R. PART 76): The Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County is prohibited from contracting with and making sub-awards to parties that are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded or whose principals are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. By executing this

Agreement, Contractor certifies that neither it nor any of its owners, officers, partners, directors or other principals is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Further, by executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that, to its knowledge, none of its subcontractors, at any tier, or any owner, officer, partner, director or other principal of any subcontractor is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Contractor shall immediately notify County in writing, during the term of this Agreement, should it or any of its subcontractors or any principals of either be suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Failure of Contractor to comply with this provision shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which the County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

42.0 CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATION AS A BUSINESS ASSOCIATE UNDER THE HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996: Under this Agreement, Contractor ("Business Associate") provides services ("Services") to County ("Covered Entity") and Business Associate receives, has access to, or creates Protected Health Information in order to provide those Services. Covered Entity is subject to the Administrative Simplification requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), and regulations promulgated thereunder, including the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information ("the Privacy Regulations") and the Health Insurance Reform: Security Standards ("the Security Regulations") at 45 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 160 and 164 ("together, the "Privacy and Security Regulations").

The Privacy and Security Regulations require Covered Entity to enter into a contract with Business Associate in order to mandate certain protections for the privacy and security of Protected Health Information, and those Regulations prohibit the disclosure to or use of Protected Health Information by Business Associate if such a contract is not in place.

Therefore, the parties agree as follows:

DEFINITIONS

1.1 "Disclose" and "Disclosure" mean, with respect to Protected Health Information, the release, transfer, provision of access to, or divulging in any other manner of Protected Health Information outside Business Associate's internal operations or to other than its employees.

1.2 "Electronic Media" has the same meaning as the term "electronic media" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. Electronic Media means (1) Electronic storage media including memory devices in computers (hard drives) and any removable/transportable digital memory medium, such as magnetic tape or disk, optical disk, or digital memory card; or (2) Transmission media used to exchange information already in electronic storage media. Transmission media include, for example, the internet (wide-open), extranet (using internet technology to link a business with information accessible only to collaborating parties), leased lines, dial-up lines, private networks, and the physical movement of removable/transportable electronic storage media. Certain transmissions, including of paper, via facsimile, and of voice, via telephone, are not considered to be transmissions via electronic media, because the information being exchanged did not exist in electronic form before the transmission.

1.3 "Electronic Protected Health Information" has the same meaning as the term "electronic protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. Electronic Protected Health Information means Protected Health Information that is (i) transmitted by electronic media; (ii) maintained in electronic media.

1.4 "Individual" means the person who is the subject of Protected Health Information and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.502(g).

1.5 "Protected Health Information" has the same meaning as the term "protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. § 164.501, limited to the information created or received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity. Protected Health Information includes information, whether oral or recorded in any form or medium, that (i) 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; (ii) identifies the Individual (or for which there is a reasonable basis for believing that the information can be used to identify the Individual); and (iii) is received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity, or is created by Business Associate, or is made accessible to Business Associate by Covered Entity. "Protected Health Information" includes Electronic Health Information.

1.6 "Required By Law" means a mandate contained in law that compels an entity to make a Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information and that is enforceable in a court of law. Required by law 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 any administrative body authorized to require the production of information; a civil or an authorized investigative demand; 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 benefits.

1.7 "Security Incident" means the attempted or successful unauthorized access, Use, Disclosure, modification, or destruction of information in, or interference with system operations of, an Information System which contains Electronic Protected Health Information. However, Security Incident does not include attempts to access an Information System when those attempts are not reasonably considered by Business Associate to constitute an actual threat to the Information System.

1.8 "Services" has the same meaning as in the body of this Agreement.

1.9 "Use" or "Uses" mean, with respect to Protected Health Information, the sharing, employment, application, utilization, examination or analysis of such Information within Business Associate's internal operations.

1.10 Terms used, but not otherwise defined in this Paragraph 42 shall have the same meaning as those terms in the HIPAA Regulations.

OBLIGATIONS OF BUSINESS ASSOCIATE

2.1 Permitted Uses and Disclosures of Protected Health Information. Business Associate:

(a) shall Use and Disclose Protected Health Information as necessary to perform the Services, and as provided in Sections 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 4.3 and 5.2 of this Agreement;

(b) shall Disclose Protected Health Information to Covered Entity upon request;

(c) may, as necessary for the proper management and administration of its business or to carry out its legal responsibilities:

(i) Use Protected Health Information; and

(ii) Disclose Protected Health Information if the Disclosure is Required by Law.

Business Associate shall not Use or Disclose Protected Health Information for any other purpose.

2.2 Adequate Safeguards for Protected Health Information. Business Associate:

(a) shall implement and maintain appropriate safeguards to prevent the Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information in any manner other than as permitted by this Paragraph. Business Associate agrees to limit the Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information to the minimum necessary in accordance with the Privacy Regulation's minimum necessary standard.

(b) effective as of April 20, 2005, specifically as to Electronic Health Information, shall implement and maintain administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of Electronic Protected Health Information.

2.3 Reporting Non-Permitted Use or Disclosure and Security Incidents. Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity each Use or Disclosure that is made by Business Associate, its employees, representatives, agents or subcontractors but is not specifically permitted by this Agreement, and effective as of April 20, 2005, shall report to Covered Entity each Security Incident of which Business Associate becomes aware. The initial report shall be made by telephone call to the Department of Mental Health's Privacy Officer, telephone number (213) 738-4864 within forty-eight (48) hours from the time the Business Associate becomes aware of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure or Security Incident, followed by a full written report no later than ten (10) business days from the date the Business Associate becomes aware of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure or Security Incident to the Chief Privacy Officer at:

Chief Privacy Officer
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple ST.
Suite 525
Los Angeles, CA 90012

2.4 Mitigation of Harmful Effect. Business Associate agrees to mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Business Associate of a Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information by Business Associate in violation of the requirements of this Paragraph 42.

2.5 Availability of Internal Practices, Books and Records to Government Agencies. Business Associate agrees to make its internal practices, books, and records relating to the Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information available to the Secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human

Services for purposes of determining Covered Entity's compliance with the Privacy and Security Regulations. Business Associate shall immediately notify Covered Entity of any requests made by the Secretary and provide Covered Entity with copies of any documents produced in response to such request.

2.6 Access to Protected Health Information. Business Associate shall, to the extent Covered Entity determines that any Protected Health Information constitutes a "designated record set" as defined by 45 C.F.R. § 164.501, make the Protected Health Information specified by Covered Entity available to the Individual(s) identified by Covered Entity as being entitled to access and copy that Protected Health Information. Business Associate shall provide such access for inspection of that Protected Health Information within two (2) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity. Business Associate shall provide copies of that Protected Health Information within five (5) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity.

2.7 Amendment of Protected Health Information. Business Associate shall, to the extent Covered Entity determines that any Protected Health Information constitutes a "designated record set" as defined by 45 C.F.R. § 164.501, make any amendments to Protected Health Information that are requested by Covered Entity. Business Associate shall make such amendment within ten (10) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity in order for Covered Entity to meet the requirements under 45 C.F.R. § 164.526.

2.8 Accounting of Disclosures. Business Associate agrees to maintain documentation of the information required to provide an accounting of Disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.538, and to make this information available to Covered Entity upon Covered Entity's request, in order to allow Covered Entity to respond to an Individual's request for accounting of disclosures. However, Business Associate is not required to provide an accounting of Disclosures that are necessary to perform its Services if such Disclosures are for either payment or health care operations purposes, or both. Additionally, such accounting is limited to disclosures that were made in the six (6) years prior to the request (not including disclosures that were made prior to the compliance date of the Privacy Rule, April 14, 2003) and shall be provided for as long as Business Associate maintains the Protected Health Information.

Any accounting provided by Business Associate under this Section 2.8 shall include: (a) the date of the Disclosure; (b) the name, and address if known, of the entity or person who received the Protected Health Information; (c) a brief description of the Protected Health Information disclosed; and (d) a brief statement of the purpose of the Disclosure. For each Disclosure that could require an accounting under this Section 2.8, Business Associate shall document the information specified in (a) through (d), above, and shall securely maintain the information for six (6) years from the date of the Disclosure. Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity, within ten (10) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity, information collected in accordance with this Section 2.8 to permit Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528.

OBLIGATION OF COVERED ENTITY

3.1 Obligation of Covered Entity. Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any current or future restrictions or limitations on the use of Protected Health Information that would affect Business Associate's performance of the Services, and Business Associate shall thereafter restrict or limit its own uses and disclosures accordingly.

TERM AND TERMINATION

4.1 Term. The term of this Paragraph 42 shall be the same as the term of this Agreement. Business Associate's obligations under Sections 2.1 (as modified by Section 4.2), 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 4.3 and 5.2 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

4.2 Termination for Cause. In addition to and notwithstanding the termination provisions set forth in this Agreement, upon Covered Entity's knowledge of a material breach by Business Associate, Covered Entity shall either:

(a) Provide an opportunity for Business Associate to cure the breach or end the violation and terminate this Agreement if Business Associate does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by Covered Entity;

(b) Immediately terminate this Agreement if Business Associate has breached a material term of this Paragraph and cure is not possible; or

(c) If neither termination nor cure is feasible, Covered Entity shall report the violation to the Secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services.

4.3 Disposition of Protected Health Information Upon Termination or Expiration.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, upon termination for any reason or expiration of this Agreement, Business Associate shall return or destroy all Protected Health Information received from Covered Entity, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity. This provision shall apply to Protected Health Information that is in the possession of subcontractors or agents of Business Associate. Business Associate shall retain no copies of the Protected Health Information.

(b) In the event that Business Associate determines that returning or destroying the Protected Health Information is infeasible, Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity notification of the conditions that make infeasible. If return or destruction is infeasible, Business Associate shall extend the protections of this Agreement to such Protected Health Information and limit further Uses and Disclosures of such Protected Health Information to those purposes that make the return or destruction infeasible, for so long as Business Associate maintains such Protected Health Information.

MISCELLANEOUS

5.1 No Third Party Beneficiaries. Nothing in this Paragraph 42 shall confer upon any person other than the parties and their respective successors or assigns, any rights, remedies, obligations, or liabilities whatsoever.

5.2 Use of Subcontractors and Agents. Business Associate shall require each of its agents and subcontractors that receive Protected Health Information from Business Associate, or create Protected Health Information for Business Associate, on behalf of Covered Entity, to execute a written agreement obligating the agent or subcontractor to comply with all the terms of this Paragraph 42.

5.3 Relationship to Services Agreement Provisions. In the event that a provision of this Paragraph 42 is contrary to another provision of this Agreement, the provision of this Paragraph 42 shall control. Otherwise, this Paragraph 42 shall be construed under, and in accordance with, the terms of this Agreement.

5.4 Regulatory References. A reference in this Paragraph 42 to a section in the Privacy or Security Regulations means the section as in effect or as amended.

5.5 Interpretation. Any ambiguity in this Paragraph 42 shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that permits Covered Entity to comply with the Privacy and Security Regulations.

5.6 Amendment. The parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Paragraph from time to time as is necessary for Covered Entity to comply with the requirements of the Privacy and Security Regulations.

43.0 CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW: The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post the County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at the Contractor's place of business. The Contractor will also encourage its subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the subcontractor's place of business. The County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply the Contractor with the poster to be used.

44.0 COMPLIANCE WITH JURY SERVICE PROGRAM:

A Jury Service Program: This Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service ("Jury Service Program") as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code.

B Written Employee Jury Service Policy:

(1) Unless Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), Contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that Employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the Employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.

(2) For purposes of this Section, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has an Agreement with the County or a subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of $50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County Agreements or subcontracts. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of Contractor. "Full-time" means 40 hours or more worked per week or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If Contractor uses any subcontractor to perform services for the County under the Agreement, the subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this Section. The provisions of this Section shall be inserted into any such subcontract Agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the Agreement.

(3) If Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when the Agreement commences, Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and Contractor shall immediately notify County if Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Program. In either event, Contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The County may also require, at any time during the Agreement and at its sole discretion, that Contractor demonstrate to the County's satisfaction that Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.

(4) Contractor's violation of this section of the Agreement may constitute a material breach of the Agreement. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Agreement and/or bar Contractor from the award of future County Agreements for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

45.0 DELEGATION AND ASSIGNMENT BY CONTRACTOR:

A. Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Agreement, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County, in its discretion, and any

attempted assignment or delegation without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this paragraph, County consent shall require a written amendment to this Agreement, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Agreement shall be deductible, at County's sole discretion, against the claims which Contractor may have against County.

B. Shareholders, partners, members, or other equity holders of Contractor may transfer, sell, exchange, assign, or divest themselves of any interest they may have therein. However, in the event any such sale, transfer, exchange, assignment, or divestment is effected in such a way as to give majority control of Contractor to any person(s), corporation, partnership, or legal entity other than the majority controlling interest therein at the time of execution of this Agreement, such disposition is an assignment requiring the prior written consent of County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Agreement.

C. Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without County's express prior written approval, shall be a material breach of this Agreement which may result in the termination of this Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

46.0 CONTRACTOR'S CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COMPLIANCE: The Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act regulates entities receiving or raising charitable contributions. The "Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004" (SB 1262, Chapter 919) increased Charitable Purposes Act requirements. By requiring Contractors to complete the certification in Attachment VII, the County seeks to ensure that all County contractors which receive or raise charitable contributions comply with California law in order to protect the County and its taxpayers. A Contractor which receives or raises charitable contributions without complying with its obligations under California law commits a material breach subjecting it to either contract termination or debarment proceedings or both. (County Code Chapter 2.202)

47.0 COUNTY'S OBLIGATION FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE FISCAL YEARS: Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, this Agreement shall not be effective and binding upon the parties unless and until County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for purposes hereof in County's Budget for County's current Fiscal Year. Further, County shall not be obligated for Contractor's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Agreement during any of County's future Fiscal Years unless and until County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for purposes hereof in County's Budget for each such future Fiscal Year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Agreement, then this Agreement shall terminate as of June 30 of the last Fiscal Year for which funds were appropriated.

48. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND OUTCOME MEASURES: The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and County policies and procedures relating to performance standards and outcome measures. This is applicable whenever specific Federal or State funding, which has policies or procedures for performance standards and/or outcome measures has been included as part of the Contractor's contract and shall apply for all County policies, procedures, or departmental bulletins approved by the Director or his designee for performance standards and/or outcome measures. County defraud will notify Contractor whenever County policies or procedures are to apply to this contract provision (e.g., AB 2034 grant) at least, where feasible, 30 calendar days prior to implementation.

These Federal, State or County performance standards and/or outcome measures will be used as part of the determination of the effectiveness of the services delivered by the Contractor.

49.0 LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PREFERENCE PROGRAM: This contract is subject to all provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Local Business Enterprise Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.204 of the Los Angeles County Code. Specifically, Contractor shall pay particular attention to the following provisions in Chapter 2.204:

Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a Local Small Business Enterprise,

Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a Local Small Business Enterprise.

If Contractor has obtained certification as a Local Small Business Enterprise by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this contract to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:

1. Pay to the County any difference between the contract amount and what the County's costs would have been if the contract had been properly awarded;
2. In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1), be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than 10 percent (10%) of the amount of the contract; and
3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Non-responsibility and Contractor Debarment).

The above penalties shall also apply to any Contractor that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the State and the Office of Affirmative Action Compliance (OAAC) of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a contract award.

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50.0 NOTICES: All notices or demands required or permitted to be given or made under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be hand-delivered with signed receipt or mailed by first-class, registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties at the following addresses and to the attention of the persons named. Director shall have the authority to execute all notices or demands which are required or permitted by County under this Agreement. Addresses and persons to be notified may be changed by either party by giving ten days prior written notice thereof to the other party.

For the County, please use the following contact information:

County of Los Angeles

Department of Mental Health

Contract Development and Administration Division

550 S. Vermont Avenue 5th Floor

Los Angeles, California 90020

ATTN: Richard Kushi, Chief

For the Contractor, please use the following contact information:

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Amendment to be subscribed by County's Director of Mental Health or his designee, and Consultant has caused this Amendment to be subscribed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, the day, month, and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By_____
MARVIN J. SOUTHARD, D.S.W.
Director of Mental Health

_____
CONTRACTOR

By_____

Name_____

Title_____

(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL HERE)

APPROVED AS TO FORM
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

APPROVED AS TO CONTRACT
ADMINISTRATION:

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

By_____
Chief, Contracts Development and
Administration Division

SERVICE EXHIBIT __I__

SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER SERVICES

(ACCESS CENTER)

STATEMENT OF WORK

1. GENERAL: As part of its responsibilities to provide integrated community services in accordance with Federal and State law, the County of Los Angeles must make professional sign language interpreter services available to hearing-impaired persons seeking County services or receiving them on a recurring basis. The Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) mandates that hearing-impaired individuals who require Public services must be provided access to available programs at a level that was equal to that of their hearing peers. Although the County had used the services of certified bilingual employees who had sign language skills, this was not adequate to ensure full access to services. While this strategy was usually sufficient for initial intake, these employees did not generally possess the skills necessary for the level and depth of communication required for mental health counseling and other services offered by the County. Thus, establishing the availability of professional sign language interpreter services ensured that hearing-impaired individuals had equal access to County services as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act and other State and Federal mandates.

2. PERSONS TO BE SERVED: Contractor shall provide services to all hearing-impaired clients who are referred to Contractor by Director, in clinical, training, and administrative settings.

3. PROGRAM ELEMENTS AND SERVICES: Contractor shall provide services to clients in accordance with Contractor's Negotiation Package and any addenda thereto, as approved in writing by Director, on an as need basis for the term of this Agreement. Service provider must be certified by the National Association of the Deaf (NAD) and Registry of Interpreter for Deaf (RID).

Service provider must be able to meet one or more of the following services criteria:

A. Interpreters are available on an as needed basis, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week including week-ends and holidays. Also available in emergencies within 75 minutes of request.

B. Interpreters are available within four (4) business days of request for non emergency service.

C. Accessibility to communication aids for hearing-impaired clients, such as but not limited to; certified interpreters, note takers, computer aided transcription services, written materials, telephone handset amplifiers, assistive listening systems, telephones compatible with hearing aids, closed caption decoders, open and closed captioning, videotext displays, cued speech transliterators, referrals to Real Time Captionist and exchange of written notes available upon request.

D. NAD and RID certified interpreters in American Sign Language, Spanish Speaking Sign Language and English language Sign Language.

E. Interpreters must have accessible transportation to accept assignments throughout the County of Los Angeles.

Note: Cancellation of scheduled appointments must be made 24 hours prior to the scheduled appointment.

EXHIBIT II

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

FISCAL YEAR 2009-10

Pre-scheduled professional sign language interpreter service hourly rate*

Special additional fee for emergency/unscheduled sessions @ hourly rate

ARTICLES

Article I
No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/Termination of Contract:
Contractor shall have no claim against County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by Contractor after expiration or other termination of this Contract. Should Contractor receive such payment, it shall immediately notify County and shall immediately repay all such funds to County. Payment by County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Contract shall not constitute a waiver of County's right to recover such payment from Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Contract.

Article III
Funded by County General Funds (CGF)/Realignment.

EXHIBIT III

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
ACCESS Center
550 S. Vermont Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Phone: 213 738-4000
Fax: 562 999-999
E-mail:jvaldez@lacdmh.org

WORK ORDER: Sign Language Interpreter Services

Bill To:
Department of Mental Health
ACCESS Center
550 S. Vermont Ave. 8th floor
Los Angeles, CA

Date:
Work Order #

Description of Services Needed:
The Department of Mental Health is looking for a sign language interpreter who can provides services to a mental health consumer at a mental health program in Compton. Must be able to use Spanish Sign language.

Date & Time Needed:
Must be available on Tuesday, February 3, 2009 between the hours of 5 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Contact Person & Address where service will be provided:
Contact: Julie Valdez **Location: Compton Mental Health Center 322 W. Compton Blvd. Compton, CA 90220**

VENDOR: If you are able to accept this work order, please sign below and fax back this form to the number listed above.

_____

Signature **Date**

COUNTY STAFF APPROVAL

_____

Signature **Date**

COMMENTS: TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY STAFF

EXHIBIT IV

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

CONTRACTOR _____

CONTRACT NUMBER _____

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

I understand and agree that I am an independent contractor and that I am not an employee of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced contract. I understand and agree that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

(You may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, you may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, you may also have access to proprietary information supplied by the County of Los Angles or by other vendors doing business with the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, mental health, criminal and welfare recipient records. If you are to be involved in County work, the County must ensure that you, too, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, you must sign this agreement as a condition of your work for the County. Please read this agreement and take due time to consider it prior to signing.)

I hereby agree that I will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced contract with the County of Los Angeles. I agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received by me to the County Project Manager.

EXHIBIT IV

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT
(Continued)

I agree to keep confidential all financial, health, criminal and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, County proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created or provided to or by me under the above-referenced contract. I agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than County employees who have a need to know the information. I agree that if proprietary information supplied by the County or by other County vendors is provided to me during this engagement, I shall keep such information confidential.

I agree to report to the County Project Manager any and all violations of this contract by myself and/or by any other person of which I became aware. I agree to return all confidential materials to the County Project Manager upon completion of termination of this contract.

I acknowledge that violation of this agreement may subject me to civil and/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles may seek all possible legal redress.

NAME: _____ **DATE:** _____
(Signature)

NAME: _____

POSITION: _____

EXHIBIT V

CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

CONTRACTOR NAME _____

EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

I understand and agree that I am an employee and that I am not an employee of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced Agreement. I understand and agree that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

(You may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the _____in Los Angeles County and, if so, you may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from _____. In addition, you may also have access to proprietary information supplied by _____or by other vendors doing business with _____ . _____ has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, mental health, criminal and welfare recipient records. If you are to be involved in County work, the County must ensure that you, too, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, you must sign this agreement as a condition of your work with _____Please read this agreement and take due time to consider it prior to signing.)

I hereby agree that I will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced Agreement with _____I agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received by me to the CONTRACTOR Manager.

I agree to keep confidential all financial, health, criminal and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from _____design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, County proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created or provided to or by me under the above referenced Agreement.

EXHIBIT V

CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT
(Continued)

I agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than County employees who have a need to know the information. I agree that if proprietary information supplied by _____ or by other County vendors is provided to me during this engagement, I shall keep such information confidential.

I agree to report to the CONTRACTOR Manager any and all violations of this Agreement by myself and/or by any other person of which I became aware. I agree to return all confidential materials to the CONTRACTOR Manager upon completion of termination of this Agreement.

I acknowledge that violation of this agreement may subject me to civil and/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles may seek all possible legal redress.

BY: _____ **DATE:** _____
(Employee Signature)

NAME: _____

EXHIBIT VI

ATTESTATION REGARDING FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS

In accordance with your agreement with the County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health under Paragraph (CONTRACTOR'S/UNIVERSITY'S EXCLUSION FROM PARTICIPATION IN A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM):

I, the undersigned certify that I am not presently excluded from participation in federally funded health care programs, nor is there an investigation presently pending or recently concluded of me which is likely to result in my exclusion from any federally funded health care program, nor am I otherwise likely to be found by a federal or state agency to be ineligible to provide goods or services under the federally funded health care programs.

I further certify as the official responsible for the administration of _____(hereafter "Contractor") that all of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors are not presently excluded from participation in any federally funded health care programs, nor is there an investigation presently pending or recently concluded of any such officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors which is likely to result in an exclusion from any federally funded health care program, nor are any of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors otherwise likely to be found by a federal or state agency to be ineligible to provide goods or services under the federally funded health care programs.

I understand and certify that I will notify DMH within thirty (30) calendar days, in writing of:

- Any event that would require Contractor or any of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors exclusion or suspension under federally funded health care programs, or
- Any suspension or exclusionary action taken by an agency of the federal or state government against Contractor, or one or more of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors, barring it or its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors from providing goods or services for which federally funded healthcare program payment may be made.

Name of authorized official _____
Please print name

Signature of authorized official _____ Date _____

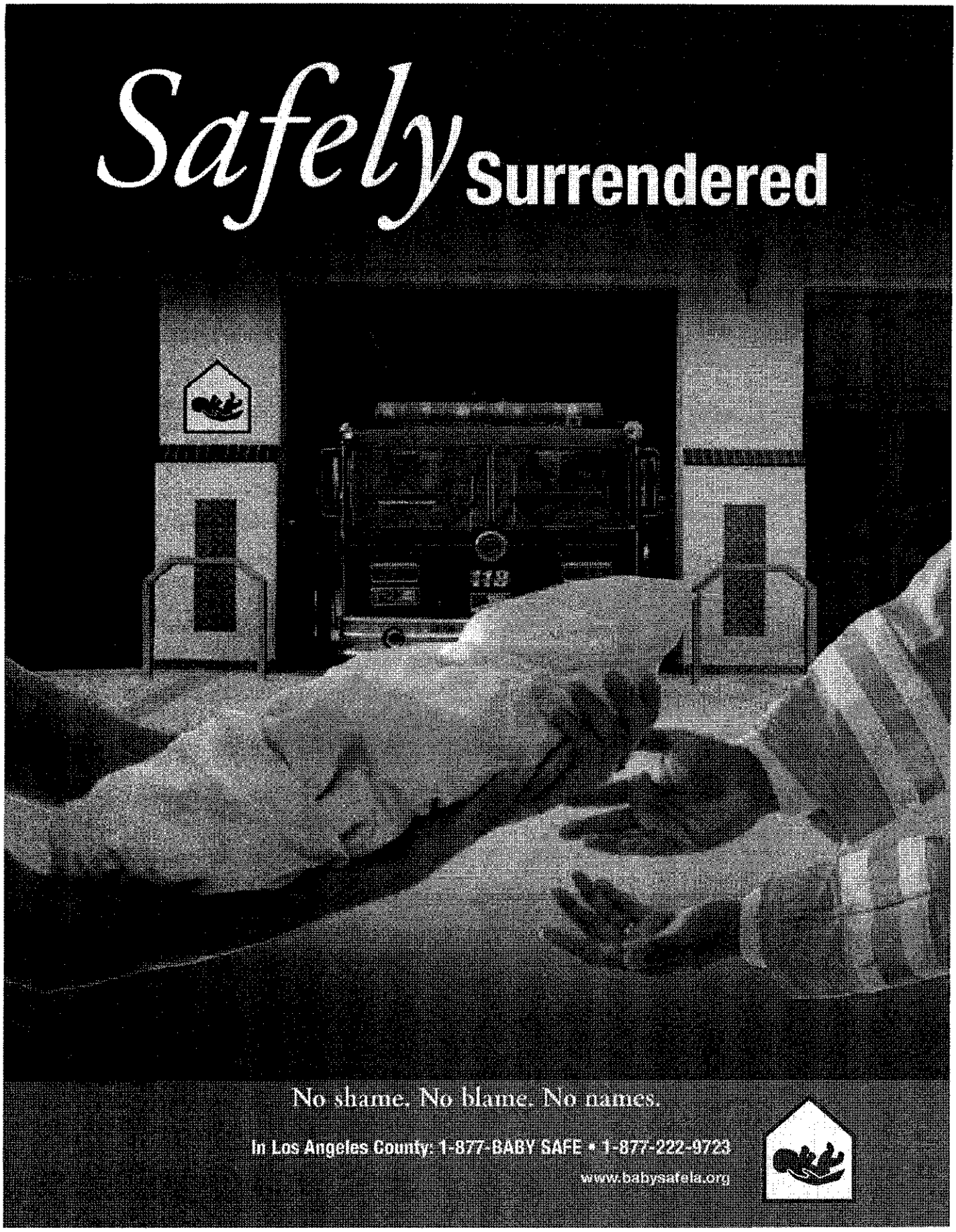
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

EXHIBIT VII

SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

Posters and Fact Sheets are available in English and Spanish for printing purposes at the following website:

www.babysafela.org


Safely Surrendered
No shame. No blame. No names.
In Los Angeles County: 1-877-BABY SAFE • 1-877-222-9723
www.babysafela.org

In Los Angeles County: 1 877 BABY SAFE 1 877 222 9723
www.babysafela.org

Safely Surrendered *Baby Law*

What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

How does it work?
A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially, and safely surrender a baby within three days (72 hours) of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County. As long as the baby shows no sign of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, staff will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent or other surrendering adult.

What if a parent wants the baby back?
Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

Can only a parent bring in the baby?
No. While in most cases a parent will bring in the baby, the Law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have lawful custody.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to call before bringing in the baby?
No. A parent or surrendering adult can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?
No. However, hospital or fire station personnel will ask the surrendering party to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the baby. The questionnaire includes a stamped return envelope and can be sent in at a later time.

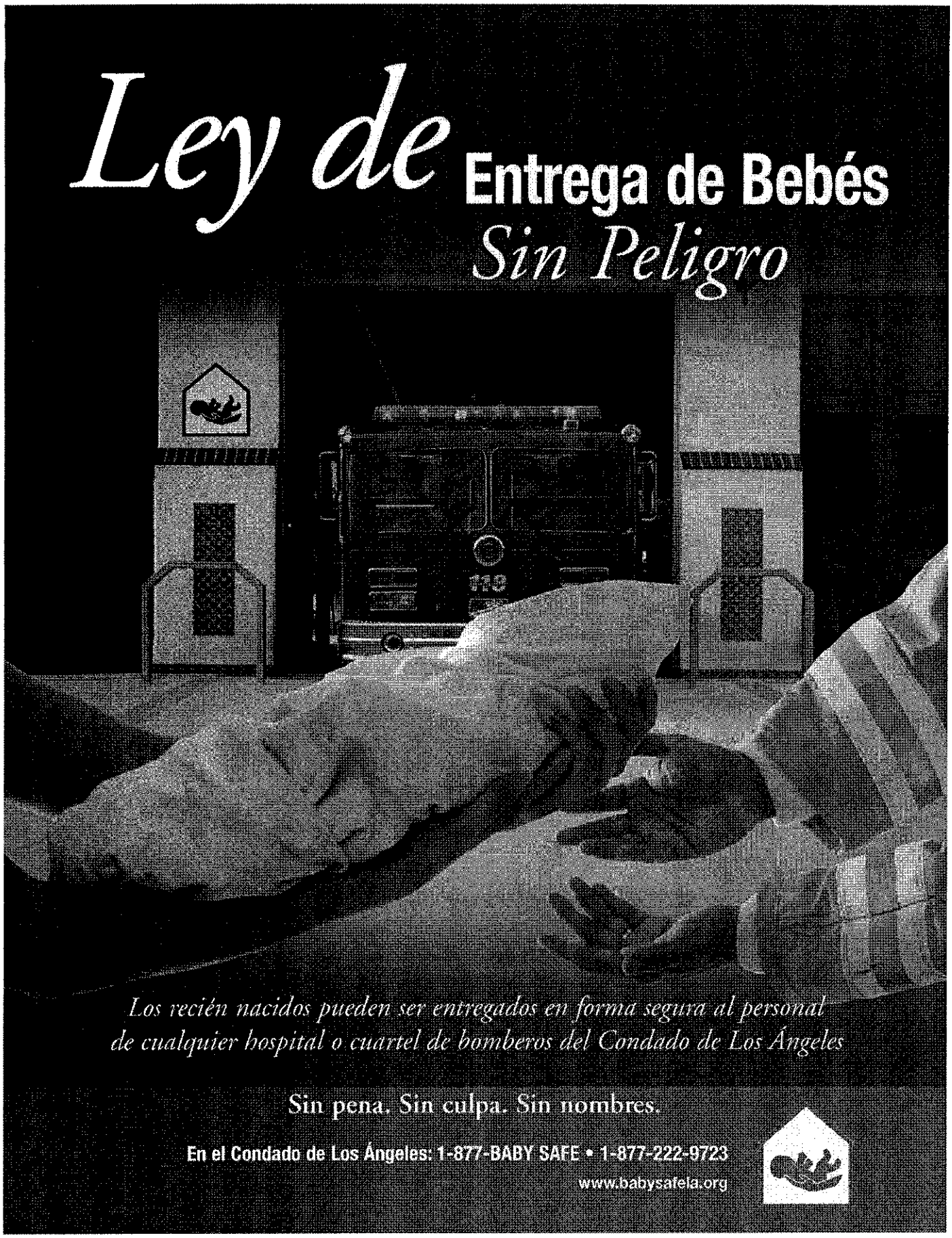
What happens to the baby?
The baby will be examined and given medical treatment. Upon release from the hospital, social workers immediately place the baby in a safe and loving home and begin the adoption process.

What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?
Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

Why is California doing this?
The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had no one or nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their babies. Abandoning a baby is illegal and places the baby in extreme danger. Too often, it results in the baby's death. The Safely Surrendered Baby Law prevents this tragedy from ever happening again in California.

A baby's story

Early in the morning on April 9, 2005, a healthy baby boy was safely surrendered to nurses at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. The woman who brought the baby to the hospital identified herself as the baby's aunt and stated the baby's mother had asked her to bring the baby to the hospital on her behalf. The aunt was given a bracelet with a number matching the anklet placed on the baby; this would provide some identification in the event the mother changed her mind about surrendering the baby and wished to reclaim the baby in the 14-day period allowed by the Law. The aunt was also provided with a medical questionnaire and said she would have the mother complete and mail back in the stamped return envelope provided. The baby was examined by medical staff and pronounced healthy and full-term. He was placed with a loving family that had been approved to adopt him by the Department of Children and Family Services.


Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro
Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados en forma segura al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles
Sin pena. Sin culpa. Sin nombres.
En el Condado de Los Ángeles: 1-877-BABY SAFE • 1-877-222-9723
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Ley de Entrega de Bebés *Sin Peligro*

¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro?

Cada recién nacido se merece la oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele que tiene otras opciones. Hasta tres días (72 horas) después del nacimiento, se puede entregar un recién nacido al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del condado de Los Angeles.

¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura dentro de los tres días (72 horas) del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazalete y el padre/madre o el adulto que lo entregue recibirá un brazalete igual.

¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden comenzar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Ángeles al 1-800-540-4000.

¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

No. Si bien en la mayoría de los casos son los padres los que llevan al bebé, la ley permite que otras personas lo hagan *si tienen custodia legal.*

¿Los padres o el adulto que entrega al bebé deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre o adulto puede llevar al bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, siempre y cuando entreguen a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o cuartel de bomberos.

¿Es necesario que el padre/madre o adulto diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos le pedirá a la persona que entregue al bebé que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para cuidar bien del bebé. El cuestionario incluye un sobre con el sello postal pagado para enviarlo en otro momento.

¿Qué pasará con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y le brindarán atención médica. Cuando le den el alta del hospital, los trabajadores sociales inmediatamente ubicarán al bebé en un hogar seguro donde estará bien atendido, y se comenzará el proceso de adopción.

¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre o adulto que entregue al bebé?

Una vez que los padres o adulto hayan entregado al bebé al personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos, pueden irse en cualquier momento.

¿Por qué se está haciendo esto en California? ?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés para que no sean abandonados, lastimados o muertos por sus padres. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Los padres de esos bebés probablemente hayan estado pasando por dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus bebés porque tenían miedo y no tenían nadie a quien pedir ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido es ilegal y pone al bebé en una situación de peligro extremo. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro impide que vuelva a suceder esta tragedia en California.

Historia de un bebé

A la mañana temprano del día 9 de abril de 2005, se entregó un recién nacido saludable a las enfermeras del Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. La mujer que llevó el recién nacido al hospital se dio a conocer como la tía del bebé, y dijo que la madre le había pedido que llevara al bebé al hospital en su nombre. Le entregaron a la tía un brazalete con un número que coincidía con la pulsera del bebé; esto serviría como identificación en caso de que la madre cambiara de opinión con respecto a la entrega del bebé y decidiera recuperarlo dentro del período de 14 días que permite esta ley. También le dieron a la tía un cuestionario médico, y ella dijo que la madre lo llenaría y lo enviaría de vuelta dentro del sobre con franqueo pagado que le habían dado. El personal médico examinó al bebé y se determinó que estaba saludable y a término. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia que ya había sido aprobada para adoptarlo por el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias.

EXHIBIT VIII

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION

_____

Company Name

_____

Address

_____

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

_____

California Registry of Charitable Trusts "CT" number (if applicable)

The Nonprofit Integrity Act (SB 1262, Chapter 919) added requirements to California's Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act which regulates those receiving and raising charitable contributions.

Check the Certification below that is applicable to your company.

☐ Proposer or Contractor has examined its activities and determined that it does not now receive or raise charitable contributions regulated under California's Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act. If Proposer engages in activities subjecting it to those laws during the term of a County contract, it will timely comply with them and provide County a copy of its initial registration with the California State Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts when filed.

OR

☐ Proposer or Contractor is registered with the California Registry of Charitable Trusts under the CT number listed above and is in compliance with its registration and reporting requirements under California law. Attached is a copy of its most recent filing with the Registry of Charitable Trusts as required by Title 11 California Code of Regulations, sections 300-301 and Government Code sections 12585-12586.

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Signature Date

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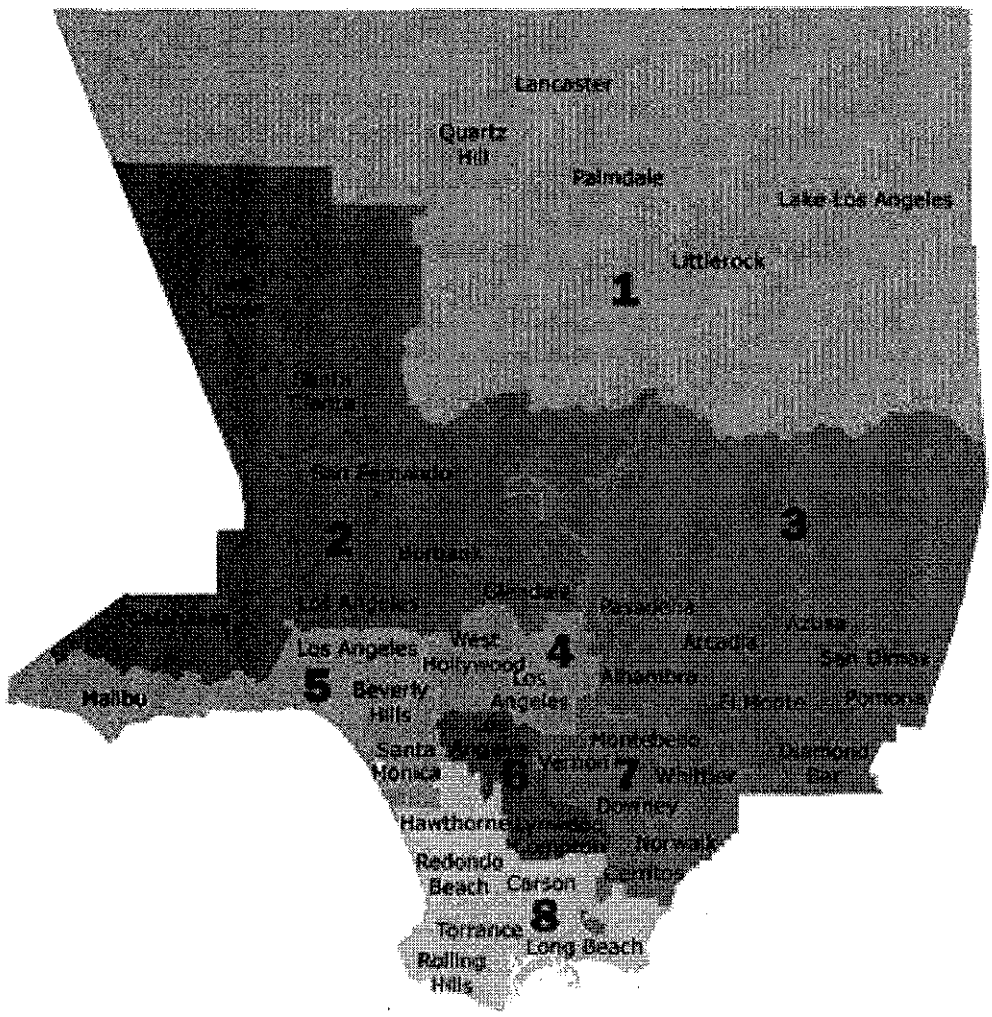
Name and Title of Signer (please print)

EXHIBIT IX

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE AREAS



The Department of Mental Health divides the County into eight service areas.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
COMMON AREAS

C O M M U N I T I E S / C I T I E S

COMMON SERVICE AREA 1	-Lancaster, Palmdale
COMMON SERVICE AREA 2	-Agoura Hills, Burbank, Calabasas, Glendale, Hidden Hills, L. A. (Part), La Canada - Flintridge, San Fernando, Santa Clarita, Westlake Village
COMMON SERVICE AREA 3	-Alhambra, Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Bradbury, Claremont, Covina, Diamond Bar, Duarte, El Monte, Glendora, Industry, Irwindale, La Puente, La Verne, Monrovia, Monterey Park, Pasadena, Pomona, Rosemead, San Dimas, San Gabriel, San Marino, Sierra Madre, South El Monte, South Pasadena, Temple City, Walnut, West Covina
COMMON SERVICE AREA 4	-L. A. (Part), West Hollywood
COMMON SERVICE AREA 5	-Beverly Hills, Calabasas, Culver City, L.A. (Part), Malibu, Santa Monica
COMMON SERVICE AREA 6	-Compton, L.A. (Part), Lynwood, Paramount
COMMON SERVICE AREA 7	-Artesia, Bell, Bell Gardens, Bellflower, Cerritos, Commerce, Cudahy, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, Huntington Park, L.A. (Part), La Habra Heights, La Mirada, Lakewood, Maywood, Montebello, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, Southgate, Vernon, Whittier
COMMON SERVICE AREA 8	-Avalon, Carson, El Segundo, Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, L.A. (Part), Lawndale, Long Beach, Lomita, Manhattan Beach, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Redondo Beach, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Signal Hill, Torrance