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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

AUTHORIZATION FOR AN AGREEMENT WITH MAXIM HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC. FOR PROVISION OF THE RESPITE CARE SERVICES PROGRAM
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Request approval to enter into an Agreement with Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. for provision of the Respite Care Services Program.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Approve and authorize the Acting Director of Mental Health (Acting Director), or her designee, to prepare, sign, and execute an Agreement, substantially similar to Attachment I, with Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., for the provision of the Respite Care Services Program (RCSP). The term of this Agreement will commence upon your Board's approval through June 30, 2018,with an option for the Acting Director to extend the term up to an additional 12 months, provided that funding is available. The annualized Maximum Contract Amount (MCA) is $500,000 for the two year term, for a total amount of $1,000,000 fully funded by State Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) revenue.

2. Delegate authority to the Acting Director, or her designee, to prepare, sign, and execute future amendments to the Agreement in Recommendation 1, as necessary, to establish as a new Total Contract Amount (TCA), the aggregate of the original agreement and all amendments provided that: 1) the County and Contractor may, by written amendment, mutually agree to reduce programs or services; or 2) the County's total payments to this contract provider do not represent an increase of greater than 20 percent of the TCA which the Board is being asked to approve in Recommendation

1; 3) any such increase shall be used to provide additional services or to reflect program and/or policy changes; 4) new or additional funding from other County Departments or the State become available; 5) your Board has appropriated sufficient funds for all changes through the annual budgeting process; 6) approval as to form of County Counsel, or her designee, is obtained prior to any such amendment; and 7) the Acting Director, or her designee, notifies your Board and the Chief Executive Office of agreement changes in writing within 30 days of execution of each amendment.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Board approval will allow DMH to enter into a new Agreement with Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., for the provision of Respite Care Services for approximately two (2) fiscal years.

The RCSP aims to relieve families from the stress and strain associated with providing constant care for a child with a Severe Emotional Disturbance (SED) with the goal of preserving children in their homes or current placements and decreasing the likelihood of out-of-home placement or disruption of a current placement. In addition to parents (biological, adoptive and foster), another identified target population for this program is relative caregivers, who are defined as a “relative and extended family member caregiver or guardian caring for a child being supervised by the Child Welfare System with either open or closed cases.” The RCSP will allow parents, relative caregivers, and non-relative caregivers to focus more attention on the other members of the household or take care of their own needs. Caregivers can leave home to take care of personal errands knowing that their child is safe and being supervised at home in a positive and healthy environment.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions are consistent with County Strategic Plan Goal No. 3, Integrated Services Delivery.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The annual MCA for this Agreement in FY 2016-17 is $500,000, fully funded by State MHSA revenue, included in DMH’s FY 2016-17 Adopted Budget.

Funding for the second year of the agreement term will be requested through DMH’s annual budget request process.

There is no County cost impact associated with this action.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The RCSP was developed through a stakeholder’s process and was included in the MHSA Three-Year Program and Expenditure (MHSA 3YRPE) Plan under the Community Services and Supports (CSS) Plan. The MHSA 3YRPE Plan was approved by the Mental Health Commission in May of 2014 and adopted by the Board of Supervisors in July of 2014.

The purposes of the RCSP are to prevent out-of-home placement or disruption of a current placement; provide short-term relief to caregivers providing in-home care; and provide appropriate

care and supervision in the absence of family member(s) and/or caregiver(s).

The attached Agreement has been approved as to form by County Counsel. DMH program administration staff will administer and monitor adherence to the Agreement to ensure that the RCSP is provided in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

In accordance with your Board Policy Manual, Section 5.120, Authority to Approve Increases to Board-Approved Contract Amounts requirements, DMH notified your Board on August 2, 2016 (Attachment II), to identify and justify the need for a requested percentage increase that exceeds 10 percent.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On April 30, 2015, DMH released Addendum Two to the MHSA Master Agreement through an open and continuous Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) solicitation. Amongst other services, Addendum Two requested a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) from those agencies that can provide Respite Care Services.

On November 19, 2015, DMH solicited agencies on its MHSA Master Agreement List that submitted a SOQ for Respite Care Services. A Statement of Eligibility and Interest (SEI) Bid No. DMH11192015B1 was released in order to identify qualified agencies.

Two agencies responded to Bid No. DMH11192015B1. Through a review and verification of submissions, it was determined that Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., meets the qualifications and has adequate experience to provide the required services.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of this action will not impact any other services. Through this Agreement, Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. will implement the RCSP which will provide respite care services to parents, relative caregivers, and non-relative caregivers with a child who has SED allowing caregivers the opportunity to address their personal and/or other familial needs.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Kay, Ph.D

ROBIN KAY, Ph.D.

Acting Director of Mental Health

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Office, Board of Supervisors
Chairperson, Mental Health Commission

ATTACHMENT I

CONTRACT NO. MH190129

CONTRACT

BY AND BETWEEN

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

AND

MAXIM HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC.

FOR

RESPITE CARE SERVICES PROGRAM

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I. CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION

CONTRACT BETWEEN
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
AND
MAXIM HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC.
FOR
RESPITE CARE SERVICES PROGRAM

This Contract ("Contract") made and entered into this ___ day of _____, 2016 by and between the County of Los Angeles, hereinafter referred to as County, and Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., hereinafter referred to as "Contractor". Contractor is located at 4221 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 394, Los Angeles, CA 90010.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the County may contract with private businesses for Respite Care Program Services when certain requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is a private firm specializing in providing Respite Care Program Services; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, and for good and valuable consideration, the parties agree to the following:

1.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and I are attached to and form a part of this Contract. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the definition or interpretation of any word, responsibility, schedule, or the contents or description of any task, deliverable, goods, service, or other work, or otherwise between the base Contract and the Exhibits, or between Exhibits, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the terms and conditions of the Contract and then to the Exhibits according to the following priority.

Standard Exhibits:

1.1 EXHIBIT A - Statement of Work

1.2 EXHIBIT B - Fee Schedule

1.3 EXHIBIT C - Contractor's EEO Certification

1.4 EXHIBIT D - County's Administration

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1.9 EXHIBIT I - Charitable Contributions Certification

This Contract constitutes the complete and exclusive statement of understanding between the parties, and supersedes all previous contracts, written and oral, and all communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Contract. No change to this Contract shall be valid unless prepared pursuant to subparagraph 8.1 - Amendments and signed by both parties.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

The headings herein contained are for convenience and reference only and are not intended to define the scope of any provision thereof. The following words as used herein shall be construed to have the following meaning, unless otherwise apparent from the context in which they are used.

2.1 Behavioral Plan: An action plan to address behavior(s) that impede learning in a child. The plan includes "positive behavioral interventions, strategies and supports." Behavioral Plans focus on understanding 'why' the behavior occurred (i.e., 'the function' or communicative intent') then focus on teaching an alternative (more acceptable) behavior to the child. This includes making instructional and environmental changes, providing reinforcement, reactive strategies and effective communication.

2.2 Contract: This agreement executed between County and Contractor. It sets forth the terms and conditions for the issuance and performance of all tasks, deliverables, services and other work including the Statement of Work, Exhibit A.

2.3 Contractor: The sole proprietor, partnership, corporation or other person or entity that has entered into this Contract with the County.

2.4 Contractor Project Manager: The individual designated by the Contractor to administer the Contract operations after the Contract award.

2.5 County Contract Project Monitor: Person with responsibility to oversee the day to day activities of this Contract. Responsibility for inspections of any and all tasks, deliverables, goods, services and other work provided by the Contractor.

2.4 County Project Director: Person designated by County with authority for County on contractual or administrative matters relating to this Contract that cannot be resolved by the County's Project Manager.

2.5 County Project Manager: Person designated by County's Project Director to manage the operations under this Contract.

2.6 Day(s): Calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified.

2.7 Fiscal Year: The twelve (12) month period beginning July 1st and ending the following June 30th.

3.0 WORK

3.1 Pursuant to the provisions of this Contract, the Contractor shall fully perform, complete and deliver on time, all tasks, deliverables, services and other work as set forth in herein.

3.2 If the Contractor provides any tasks, deliverables, goods, services, or other work, other than as specified in this Contract, the same shall be deemed to be a gratuitous effort on the part of the Contractor, and the Contractor shall have no claim whatsoever against the County.

4.0 TERM OF CONTRACT

4.1 The term of this Contract shall commence upon approval by County's Board of Supervisors, and shall continue in full force and effect through June 30, 2018, unless sooner terminated or extended, in whole or in part, as provided in this Contract.

4.2 The Contractor shall notify the Department of Mental Health when this Contract is within six (6) months of the expiration of the term as provided for hereinabove. Upon occurrence of this event, the Contractor shall send written notification to the Department of Mental Health at the address herein provided in Exhibit D - County's Administration.

5.0 CONTRACT SUM

5.1 **See Exhibit B – Fee Schedule.**

5.2 The Contractor shall not be entitled to payment or reimbursement for any tasks or services performed, nor for any incidental or administrative expenses whatsoever incurred in or incidental to performance hereunder, except as specified herein. Assumption or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, or obligations, or performance of same by any person or entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever, shall not occur except with the County's express prior written approval.

5.3 The Contractor shall maintain a system of record keeping that will allow the Contractor to determine when it has incurred seventy-five percent (75%) of the total contract sum under this Contract. Upon occurrence of this event, the Contractor shall send written notification to the Department of Mental Health at the address herein provided in Exhibit D - County's Administration.

5.4 **No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration-Termination of Contract**

The Contractor shall have no claim against County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by the Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Contract. Should the 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 the Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Contract.

5.5 **Invoices and Payments**

5.5.1 The Contractor shall invoice the County only for providing the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work specified in Exhibit A - Statement of Work. The Contractor shall prepare invoices, which shall include the charges owed to the Contractor by the County under the terms of this Contract. The Contractor's payments shall be as provided in Exhibit B - Fee Schedule, and the Contractor shall be paid only for the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work approved in writing by the County. If the County does not approve work

in writing no payment shall be due to the Contractor for that work.

5.5.2 The Contractor's invoices shall be priced in accordance with Exhibit B – Fee Schedule.

5.5.3 The Contractor's invoices shall contain the information set forth in Exhibit A - Statement of Work describing the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, work hours, and facility and/or other work for which payment is claimed.

5.5.4 The Contractor shall submit the monthly invoices to the County by the 15th calendar day of the month following the month of service. Each monthly invoice shall be submitted within thirty (30) days of the last date the invoiced services were provided.

5.5.5 All invoices under this Contract shall be submitted in two (2) copies to the following address:

LOS ANGELES COUNTY – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENT SECTION
550 SOUTH VERMONT AVENUE, 8TH FLOOR
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90020

5.5.6 **County Approval of Invoices**

All invoices submitted by the Contractor for payment must have the written approval of the County's Project Manager prior to any payment thereof. In no event shall the County be liable or responsible for any payment prior to such written approval. Approval for payment will not be unreasonably withheld.

6.0 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT - COUNTY

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

A listing of all County Administration referenced in the following subparagraphs are designated in Exhibit D - County's Administration. The County will notify the Contractor in writing of any change in the names or addresses shown.

6.1 **County's Project Director**

The role of the County's Project Director may include:

1. coordinating with Contractor and ensuring Contractor's performance of the Contract; however, in no event shall Contractor's obligation to fully satisfy all of the requirements of this Contract be relieved, excused or limited thereby; and

2. upon request of the Contractor, providing direction to the Contractor, as appropriate in areas relating to County policy, information requirements, and procedural requirements; however, in no event, shall Contractor's obligation to fully satisfy all of the requirements of this Contract be relieved, excused or limited thereby.

6.2 **County's Project Manager**

The role of the County's Project Manager is authorized to include:

1. meeting with the Contractor's Project Manager on a regular basis; and

2. inspecting any and all tasks, deliverables, goods, services, or other work provided by or on behalf of the Contractor; however, in no event shall Contractor's obligation to fully satisfy all of the requirements of this Contract be relieved, excused or limited thereby.

The County's Project Manager is not authorized to make any changes in any of the terms and conditions of this Contract and is not authorized to further obligate County in any respect whatsoever.

6.3 **County's Contract Project Monitor**

The role of the County's Project Monitor is to oversee the day-to-day administration of this Contract; however, in no event shall Contractor's obligation to fully satisfy all of the requirements of this Contract be relieved, excused or limited thereby. The Project Monitor reports to the County's Project Manager.

7.0 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT – CONTRACTOR

A listing of all of Contractor's Administration referenced in the following subparagraphs are designated in Exhibit E - Contractor's Administration. The Contractor will notify the County in writing of any change in the names or addresses shown.

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7.1 **Contractor's Project Manager**

7.1.1 The Contractor's Project Manager is designated in Exhibit E Contractor's Administration. The Contractor shall notify the County in writing of any change in the name or address of the Contractor's Project Manager.

7.1.2 The Contractor's Project Manager shall be responsible for the Contractor's day-to-day activities as related to this Contract and shall meet and coordinate with County's Project Manager and County's Contract Project Monitor on a regular basis.

7.2 **Approval of Contractor's Staff**

County has the absolute right to approve or disapprove all of the Contractor's staff performing work hereunder and any proposed changes in the Contractor's staff, including, but not limited to, the Contractor's Project Manager.

7.3 **Background and Security Investigations**

7.3.1 Each of Contractor's staff performing services under this Contract shall undergo and pass a background investigation to the satisfaction of County as a condition of beginning and continuing to perform services under this Contract. Such background investigation must be obtained through fingerprints submitted to the California Department of Justice to include State, local, and federal-level review, which may include, but shall not be limited to, criminal conviction information. The fees associated with the background investigation shall be at the expense of the Contractor, regardless of whether the member of Contractor's staff passes or fails the background investigation.

7.3.2 If a member of Contractor's staff does not pass the background investigation, County may request that the member of Contractor's staff be removed immediately from performing services under the Contract. Contractor shall comply with County's request at any time during the term of the Contract. County will not provide to Contractor or to Contractor's staff any information obtained through the County's background investigation.

7.3.3 County, in its sole discretion, may immediately deny or terminate facility access to any member of Contractor's staff that does not pass such investigation to the satisfaction of

the County or whose background or conduct is incompatible with County facility access.

7.3.4 Disqualification of any member of Contractor's staff pursuant to this subparagraph 7.3 shall not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

7.4 **Confidentiality**

7.4.1 Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures relating to confidentiality, including, without limitation, County policies concerning information technology security and the protection of confidential records and information.

7.4.2 Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting, or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents, to comply with this Paragraph 7.4, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph 7.4 shall be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Contractor fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and to reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

7.4.3 Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, and agents providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Contract.

7.4.4 Contractor shall sign and adhere to the provisions of the "Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement", Exhibit F1.

8.0 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

8.1 Amendments

8.1.1 For any change which affects the scope of work, term, contract sum, payments, or any term or condition included under this Contract, an amendment to the Contract shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by the Acting Director of Mental Health, or her designee.

8.1.2 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 Contract during the term of this Contract. 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 changes, an Amendment to the Contract shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by the Acting Director of Mental Health, or her designee.

8.2 Assignment and Delegation

8.2.1 The Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Contract, 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 subparagraph, County consent shall require a written Amendment to the Contract, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by the County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Contract shall be deductible, at County's sole discretion, against the claims, which the Contractor may have against the County.

8.2.2 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 the Contract, such

disposition is an assignment requiring the prior written consent of County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Contract.

8.2.3 Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any person or entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, 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 the Contract which may result in the termination of this Contract. 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.

8.3 **Authorization Warranty**

The Contractor represents and warrants that the person executing this Contract for the Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind the Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation of this Contract and that all requirements of the Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

8.4 **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 the salaries and benefits paid to the majority of County employees and imposes similar reductions with respect to County contracts, the County reserves the right to reduce its payment obligation under this Contract correspondingly for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Contract (including any extensions), and the services to be provided by the Contractor under this Contract 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 actions. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, the Contractor shall continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Contract.

8.5 **Complaints**

The Contractor shall develop, maintain and operate procedures for receiving, investigating and responding to complaints.

8.5.1 Within 30 business days after the Contract effective date, the Contractor shall provide the County with the Contractor's policy for receiving, investigating and responding to user complaints.

8.5.2 The County will review the Contractor's policy and provide the Contractor with approval of said plan or with requested changes.

8.5.3 If the County requests changes in the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall make such changes and resubmit the plan within 10 business days for County approval.

8.5.4 If, at any time, the Contractor wishes to change the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall submit proposed changes to the County for approval before implementation.

8.5.5 The Contractor shall preliminarily investigate all complaints and notify the County's Project Manager of the status of the investigation within three (3) business days of receiving the complaint.

8.5.6 When complaints cannot be resolved informally, a system of follow-through shall be instituted which adheres to formal plans for specific actions and strict time deadlines.

8.5.7 Copies of all written responses shall be sent to the County's Project Manager within five (5) business days of mailing to the complainant.

8.6 **Compliance with Applicable Law**

8.6.1 In the performance of this Contract, Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures, and all provisions required thereby to be included in this Contract are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

8.6.2 Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs, and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents, to comply with any such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies, or

procedures, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph 8.6 shall be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Contractor fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and to reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction or other equitable relief, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

8.7 **Compliance with Civil Rights Laws**

The Contractor hereby assures that it will comply with Subchapter VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC Sections 2000 (e) (1) through 2000 (e) (17), to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, religion, ancestry, age, condition of physical handicap, marital status, political affiliation, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract. The Contractor shall comply with Exhibit C - Contractor's EEO Certification.

8.8 **Compliance with the County's Jury Service Program**

8.8.1 **Jury Service Program:**

This Contract 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, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit G and incorporated by reference into and made a part of this Contract.

8.8.2 **Written Employee Jury Service Policy:**

1. Unless the Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that the Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service

Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that the Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), the 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. If the Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when the Contract commences, the Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and the Contractor shall immediately notify the County if the Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if the Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program. In either event, the Contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The County may also require, at any time during the Contract and at its sole discretion, that the Contractor demonstrate, to the County's satisfaction that the Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that the Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.

3. Contractor's violation of this subparagraph of the Contract may constitute a material breach of the Contract. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract and/or bar the Contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

8.9 **Conflict of Interest**

8.9.1 No County employee whose position with the County enables such employee to influence the award of this Contract or any competing Contract, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by the

Contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Contract. No officer or employee of the Contractor who may financially benefit from the performance of work hereunder shall in any way participate in the County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence the County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.

8.9.2 The 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 Contract. The Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest. If the Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts that might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to the County. Full written disclosure shall include, but is not limited to, identification of all persons implicated and a complete description of all relevant circumstances. Failure to comply with the provisions of this subparagraph shall be a material breach of this Contract.

8.10 **Consideration of Hiring County Employees Targeted for Layoff or Re-Employment List**

Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract to perform the services set forth herein, the 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 re-employment list during the life of this Contract.

8.11 **Consideration of Hiring Gain-Grow Participants**

8.11.1 Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract, the 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 or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet the Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that the Contractor will interview qualified candidates. The County will refer GAIN-GROW participants by job category to the Contractor. Contractors shall report all job openings with job requirements to:

GAINGROW@dpss.lacounty.gov to obtain a list of qualified GAIN-GROW job candidates.

8.11.2 In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN-GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

8.12 Contractor Responsibility and Debarment

8.12.1 Responsible Contractor

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.

8.12.2 Chapter 2.202 of the County Code

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 contracts which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in the Contract, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on 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 terminate any or all existing contracts the Contractor may have with the County.

8.12.3 Non-responsible Contractor

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 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.

8.12.4 **Contractor Hearing Board**

1. 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.

2. 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.

3. 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 Contractor Hearing Board.

4. 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.

5. 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 (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.

6. 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.

8.13 **Contractor's Acknowledgement of County's Commitment to 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 Sub-Contractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the Sub-Contractor's place of business. The County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply the Contractor with the poster to be used. Information on how to receive the poster can be found on the Internet at www.babysafela.org.

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8.14 **Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program**

8.14.1 The Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from the County through contracts are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the County and its taxpayers.

8.14.2 As required by the County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting the Contractor's duty under this Contract to comply with all applicable provisions of law, the Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Contract maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding 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).

8.15 **County's Quality Assurance Plan**

The County or its agent will evaluate the Contractor's performance under this Contract on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing the Contractor's compliance with all Contract terms and conditions and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which the County determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of the Contract 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 the Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate this Contract or impose other penalties as specified in this Contract.

8.16 **Damage to County Facilities, Buildings or Grounds**

8.16.1 The Contractor shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, any and all damage to County facilities, buildings, or grounds caused by the Contractor or employees or agents of the Contractor. Such repairs shall be made immediately after

the Contractor has become aware of such damage, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the occurrence.

8.16.2 If the Contractor fails to make timely repairs, County may make any necessary repairs. All costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such repairs shall be repaid by the Contractor by cash payment upon demand.

8.17 **Employment Eligibility Verification**

8.17.1 The Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal and State statutes and regulations regarding the employment of aliens and others and that all its employees performing work under this Contract meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in Federal and State statutes and regulations. The Contractor shall obtain, from all employees performing work hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal and State statutes and regulations including, but not limited to, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, (P.L. 99-603), or as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. The Contractor shall retain all such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law.

8.17.2 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless, the County, its agents, officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against the Contractor or the County or both in connection with any alleged violation of any Federal or State statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of any persons performing work under this Contract.

8.18 **Facsimile Representations**

The County and the Contractor hereby agree to regard facsimile representations of original signatures of authorized officers of each party, when appearing in appropriate places on the Amendments prepared pursuant to subparagraph 8.1, and received via communications facilities, as legally sufficient evidence that such original signatures have been affixed to Amendments to this Contract, such that the parties need not follow up facsimile transmissions of such documents with subsequent (non-facsimile) transmission of “original” versions of such documents.

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8.19 **Fair Labor Standards**

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County and its agents, officers, and employees from any and all liability, including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law, including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, for work performed by the Contractor's employees for which the County may be found jointly or solely liable.

8.20 **Force Majeure**

8.20.1 Neither party shall be liable for such party's failure to perform its obligations under and in accordance with this Contract, if such failure arises out of fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, other natural occurrences, strikes, lockouts (other than a lockout by such party or any of such party's Sub-Contractors), freight embargoes, or other similar events to those described above, but in every such case the failure to perform must be totally beyond the control and without any fault or negligence of such party (such events are referred to in this subparagraph as "force majeure events").

8.20.2 In the event Contractor's failure to perform arises out of a force majeure event, Contractor agrees to use commercially reasonable best efforts to obtain goods or services from other sources, if applicable, and to otherwise mitigate the damages and reduce the delay caused by such force majeure event.

8.21 **Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue**

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

8.22 **Independent Contractor Status**

8.22.1 This Contract is by and between the County and the Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between the County and the Contractor. The employees and agents of

one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.

8.22.2 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract all compensation and benefits. The County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State, or local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of the Contractor.

8.22.3 The Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract are, for purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, solely employees of the Contractor and not employees of the County. The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all Workers' Compensation benefits to any person as a result of any injuries arising from or connected with any work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor pursuant to this Contract.

8.22.4 The Contractor shall adhere to the provisions stated in subparagraph 7.4 - Confidentiality.

8.23 **Indemnification**

The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, agents and volunteers ("County Indemnitees") 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 and/or relating to this Contract, except for such loss or damage arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County Indemnitees.

8.24 **General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage**

Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County, and in the performance of this Contract and until all of its obligations pursuant to this Contract have been met, Contractor shall provide and maintain at its own expense insurance coverage satisfying the requirements specified in Sections 8.24 and 8.25 of this Contract. These minimum insurance coverage terms, types and limits (the "Required Insurance") also are in addition to and separate from any other contractual obligation imposed upon Contractor pursuant to this Contract. The County in no way warrants that the Required

Insurance is sufficient to protect the Contractor for liabilities which may arise from or relate to this Contract.

8.24.1 **Evidence of Coverage and Notice to County**

- Certificate(s) of insurance coverage (Certificate) satisfactory to County, and a copy of an Additional Insured endorsement confirming County and its Agents (defined below) has been given Insured status under the Contractor's General Liability policy, shall be delivered to County at the address shown below and provided prior to commencing services under this Contract.

- Renewal Certificates shall be provided to County not less than ten (10) days prior to Contractor's policy expiration dates. The County reserves the right to obtain complete, certified copies of any required Contractor insurance policies at any time.

- Certificates shall identify all Required Insurance coverage types and limits specified herein, reference this Contract by name or number, and be signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s). The Insured party named on the Certificate shall match the name of the Contractor identified as the contracting party in this Contract. Certificates shall provide the full name of each insurer providing coverage, its NAIC (National Association of Insurance Commissioners) identification number, its financial rating, the amounts of any policy deductibles or self-insured retentions exceeding fifty thousand dollars ($50,000), and list any County required endorsement forms.

- Neither the County's failure to obtain, nor the County's receipt of, or failure to object to a non-complying insurance certificate or endorsement, or any other insurance documentation or information provided by the Contractor, its insurance broker(s) and/or insurer(s), shall be construed as a waiver of any of the Required Insurance provisions.

Certificates and copies of any required endorsements shall be sent to:

County of Los Angeles
Department of Mental Health
Contracts Development and Administration Division
550 S. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90020
Attention: Angel Baker, Interim Chief

Contractor also shall promptly report to County any injury or property damage accident or incident, including any injury to a Contractor employee occurring on County property, and any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of County property, monies or securities entrusted to Contractor. Contractor also shall promptly notify County of any third party claim or suit filed against Contractor which arises from or relates to this Contract, and could result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County.

8.24.2 **Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage**

The County of Los Angeles, it's Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees and Volunteers (collectively County and its Agents) shall be provided additional insured status under Contractor's General Liability policy with respect to liability arising out of Contractor's ongoing and completed operations performed on behalf of the County. County and its Agents additional insured status shall apply with respect to liability and defense of suits arising out of the Contractor's acts or omissions, whether such liability is attributable to the Contractor or to the County. The full policy limits and scope of protection also shall apply to the County and its Agents as an additional insured, even if they exceed the County's minimum Required Insurance specifications herein. Use of an automatic additional insured endorsement form is acceptable providing it satisfies the Required Insurance provisions herein.

8.24.3 **Cancellation of or Changes in Insurance**

Contractor shall provide County with, or Contractor's insurance policies shall contain a provision that County shall receive, written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance, including insurer, limits of coverage, term of coverage or policy period. The written notice shall be provided to County at least ten (10) days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (30) days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. Failure to provide written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance may constitute a material

breach of the Contract, in the sole discretion of the County, upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Contract.

8.24.4 **Failure to Maintain Insurance**

Contractor's failure to maintain or to provide acceptable evidence that it maintains the Required Insurance shall constitute a material breach of the Contract, upon which County immediately may withhold payments due to Contractor, and/or suspend or terminate this Contract. County, at its sole discretion, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, the County may purchase the Required Insurance, and without further notice to Contractor, deduct the premium cost from sums due to Contractor or pursue Contractor reimbursement.

8.24.5 **Insurer Financial Ratings**

Coverage shall be placed with insurers acceptable to the County with A.M. Best ratings of not less than A: VII unless otherwise approved by County.

8.24.6 **Contractor's Insurance Shall Be Primary**

Contractor's insurance policies, with respect to any claims related to this Contract, shall be primary with respect to all other sources of coverage available to Contractor. Any County maintained insurance or self-insurance coverage shall be in excess of and not contribute to any Contractor coverage.

8.24.7 **Waivers of Subrogation**

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor hereby waives its rights and its insurer(s)' rights of recovery against County under all the Required Insurance for any loss arising from or relating to this Contract. The Contractor shall require its insurers to execute any waiver of subrogation endorsements which may be necessary to effect such waiver.

8.24.8 **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions (SIRs)**

Contractor's policies shall not obligate the County to pay any portion of any Contractor deductible or SIR. The County

retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate policy deductibles and SIRs as respects the County, or to provide a bond guaranteeing Contractor's payment of all deductibles and SIRs, including all related claims investigation, administration and defense expenses. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

8.24.9 **Claims Made Coverage**

If any part of the Required Insurance is written on a claims made basis, any policy retroactive date shall precede the effective date of this Contract. Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following Contract expiration, termination or cancellation.

8.24.10 **Application of Excess Liability Coverage**

Contractors may use a combination of primary and excess insurance policies which provide coverage as broad as the underlying primary policies, to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions.

8.24.11 **Separation of Insureds**

All liability policies shall provide cross-liability coverage as would be afforded by the standard ISO (Insurance Services Office, Inc.) separation of insureds provision with no insured versus insured exclusions or limitations.

8.24.12 **Alternative Risk Financing Programs**

The County reserves the right to review, and then approve, Contractor use of self-insurance, risk retention groups, risk purchasing groups, pooling arrangements and captive insurance to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions. The County and its Agents shall be designated as an Additional Covered Party under any approved program.

8.24.13 **County Review and Approval of Insurance Requirements**

The County reserves the right to review and adjust the Required Insurance provisions, conditioned upon County's determination of changes in risk exposures.

8.25 **Insurance Coverage**

8.25.1 Commercial General Liability insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CG 00 01), naming County and its Agents as an additional insured, with limits of not less than:

General Aggregate:	$2 million
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate:	$1 million
Personal and Advertising Injury:	$1 million
Each Occurrence:	$1 million

8.25.2 Automobile Liability insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CA 00 01) with limits of not less than $1 million for bodily injury and property damage, in combined or equivalent split limits, for each single accident. Insurance shall cover liability arising out of Contractor's use of autos pursuant to this Contract, including owned, leased, hired, and/or non-owned autos, as each may be applicable.

8.25.3 Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability insurance or qualified self-insurance satisfying statutory requirements, which includes Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than $1 million per accident. If Contractor will provide leased employees, or, is an employee leasing or temporary staffing firm or a professional employer organization (PEO), coverage also shall include an Alternate Employer Endorsement (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form WC 00 03 01 A) naming the County as the Alternate Employer, and the endorsement form shall be modified to provide that County will receive not less than thirty (30) days advance written notice of cancellation of this coverage provision. If applicable to Contractor's operations, coverage also shall be arranged to satisfy the requirements of any federal workers or workmen's compensation law or any federal occupational disease law.

8.25.4 **Unique Insurance Coverage**

a) Sexual Misconduct Liability insurance covering actual or alleged claims for sexual misconduct and/or molestation with limits of not less than $2 million per claim and $2 million aggregate, and claims for negligent employment, investigation, supervision,

training or retention of, or failure to report to proper authorities, a person(s) who committed any act of abuse, molestation, harassment, mistreatment or maltreatment of a sexual nature.

b) Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions insurance covering Contractor's liability arising from or related to this Contract, with limits of not less than $1 million per claim and $3 million aggregate. Further, Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following this Agreement's expiration, termination or cancellation.

c) Property Coverage contractors given exclusive use of County owned or leased property shall carry property coverage at least as broad as that provided by the ISO special causes of loss (ISO policy form CP 10 30) form. The County and its Agents shall be named as an Additional Insured and Loss Payee on Contractor's insurance as its interests may appear. Automobiles and mobile equipment shall be insured for their actual cash value. Real property and all other personal property shall be insured for their full replacement value.

8.26 **Liquidated Damages**

8.26.1 If, in the judgment of the Acting Director of Mental Health, or her designee, the Contractor is deemed to be non-compliant with the terms and obligations assumed hereby, the Acting Director of Mental Health, or her designee, at her option, in addition to, or in lieu of, other remedies provided herein, may withhold the entire monthly payment or deduct pro rata from the Contractor's invoice for work not performed. A description of the work not performed and the amount to be withheld or deducted from payments to the Contractor from the County, will be forwarded to the Contractor by the Acting Director of Mental Health, or her designee, in a written notice describing the reasons for said action.

8.26.2 If the Acting Director of Mental Health, or her designee, determines that there are deficiencies in the performance of this Contract that the Acting Director of Mental Health, or her designee, deems are correctable by the Contractor over a certain time span, the Acting Director of Mental Health, or her designee, will provide a written notice to the Contractor

to correct the deficiency within specified time frames. Should the Contractor fail to correct deficiencies within said time frame, the Acting Director of Mental Health, or her designee, may: (a) Deduct from the Contractor's payment, pro rata, those applicable portions of the Monthly Contract Sum; and/or (b) Deduct liquidated damages. The parties agree that it will be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix the extent of actual damages resulting from the failure of the Contractor to correct a deficiency within the specified time frame. The parties hereby agree that under the current circumstances a reasonable estimate of such damages is one hundred dollars ($100) per day per infraction, and that the Contractor shall be liable to the County for liquidated damages in said amount. Said amount shall be deducted from the County's payment to the Contractor; and/or (c) Upon giving five (5) days' notice to the Contractor for failure to correct the deficiencies, the County may correct any and all deficiencies and the total costs incurred by the County for completion of the work by an alternate source, whether it be County forces or separate private contractor, will be deducted and forfeited from the payment to the Contractor from the County, as determined by the County.

8.26.3 The action noted in subparagraph 8.26.2 shall not be construed as a penalty, but as adjustment of payment to the Contractor to recover the County cost due to the failure of the Contractor to complete or comply with the provisions of this Contract.

8.26.4 This subparagraph shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to damages for any breach of this Contract provided by law or as specified in subparagraph 8.26.2, and shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to terminate this Contract as agreed to herein.

8.27 **Most Favored Public Entity**

If the Contractor's prices decline, or should the Contractor at any time during the term of this Contract provide the same goods or services under similar quantity and delivery conditions to the State of California or any county, municipality, or district of the State at prices below those set forth in this Contract, then such lower prices shall be immediately extended to the County.

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8.28 Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action

8.28.1 The Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and shall be treated equally without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations.

8.28.2 The Contractor shall certify to, and comply with, the provisions of Exhibit C - Contractor's EEO Certification.

8.28.3 The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Such action shall include, but is not limited to: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

8.28.4 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its Sub-Contractors, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation.

8.28.5 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies shall comply with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract.

8.28.6 The Contractor shall allow County representatives access to the Contractor's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this subparagraph 8.28 when so requested by the County.

8.28.7 If the County finds that any provisions of this subparagraph 8.28 have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Contract. While the County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment and Housing Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that the Contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by the County that the Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract.

8.28.8 The parties agree that in the event the Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract, the County shall, at its sole option, be entitled to the sum of five hundred dollars ($500) for each such violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Contract.

8.29 **Non Exclusivity**

Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement with the Contractor. This Contract shall not restrict County from acquiring similar, equal or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources.

8.30 **Notice of Delays**

Except as otherwise provided under this Contract, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Contract, that party shall, within one (1) business day, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

8.31 **Notice of Disputes**

The Contractor shall bring to the attention of the County's Project Manager and/or County's Project Director any dispute between the County and the Contractor regarding the performance of services as stated in this Contract. If the County's Project Manager or County's Project Director is not able to resolve the dispute, the Acting Director of Mental Health, or her designee shall resolve it.

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8.32 **Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit**

The Contractor shall 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 No. 1015.

8.33 **Notice to Employees Regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law**

The Contractor shall 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 Exhibit H of this Contract and is also available on the Internet at www.babysafela.org for printing purposes.

8.34 **Notices**

All notices or demands required or permitted to be given or made under this Contract 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 as identified in Exhibits D - County's Administration and E - Contractor's Administration. Addresses may be changed by either party giving ten (10) days' prior written notice thereof to the other party. The Acting Director of Mental Health shall have the authority to issue all notices or demands required or permitted by the County under this Contract.

8.35 **Prohibition Against Inducement or Persuasion**

Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor and the County agree that, during the term of this Contract and for a period of one year thereafter, neither party shall in any way intentionally induce or persuade any employee of one party to become an employee or agent of the other party. No bar exists against any hiring action initiated through a public announcement.

8.36 **Public Records Act**

8.36.1 Any documents submitted by the Contractor; all information obtained in connection with the County's right to audit and inspect the Contractor's documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to subparagraph 8.38 - Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement of this Contract; as well as

those documents which were required to be submitted in response to the Statement of Eligibility and Interests (SEI) used in the solicitation process for this Contract, become the exclusive property of the County. All such documents become a matter of public record and shall be regarded as public records. Exceptions will be those elements in the California Government Code Section 6250 et seq. (Public Records Act) and which are marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary". The County shall not in any way be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such records including, without limitation, those so marked, if disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

8.36.2 In the event the County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of a proposal marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary", the Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify the County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, in action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

8.37 **Publicity**

8.37.1 The Contractor shall not disclose any details in connection with this Contract to any person or entity except as may be otherwise provided hereunder or required by law. However, in recognizing the Contractor's need to identify its services and related clients to sustain itself, the County shall not inhibit the Contractor from publishing its role under this Contract within the following conditions:

- The Contractor shall develop all publicity material in a professional manner; and

- During the term of this Contract, the Contractor shall not, and shall not authorize another to, publish or disseminate any commercial advertisements, press releases, feature articles, or other materials using the name of the County without the prior written consent of the County's Project Director. The County shall not unreasonably withhold written consent.

8.37.2 The Contractor may, without the prior written consent of County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this Contract with the County of Los Angeles, provided that the requirements of this

subparagraph 8.37 shall apply.

8.38 **Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement**

The Contractor shall maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Contract in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Contractor shall also maintain accurate and complete employment and other records relating to its performance of this Contract. The Contractor agrees that the County, or its authorized representatives, shall have access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe any pertinent transaction, activity, or record relating to this Contract. All such material, including, but not limited to, all financial records, bank statements, cancelled checks or other proof of payment, timecards, sign-in/sign-out sheets and other time and employment records, and proprietary data and information, shall be kept and maintained by the Contractor and shall be made available to the County during the term of this Contract and for a period of five (5) years thereafter unless the County's written permission is given to dispose of any such material prior to such time. All such material shall be maintained by the Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County, provided that if any such material is located outside Los Angeles County, then, at the County's option, the Contractor shall pay the County for travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by the County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe such material at such other location.

8.38.1 In the event that an audit of the Contractor is conducted specifically regarding this Contract by any Federal or State auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by the Contractor or otherwise, then the Contractor shall file a copy of such audit report with the County's Auditor-Controller within thirty (30) days of the Contractor's receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided by applicable Federal or State law or under this Contract. Subject to applicable law, the County shall make a reasonable effort to maintain the confidentiality of such audit report(s).

8.38.2 Failure on the part of the Contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this subparagraph 8.38 shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Contract.

8.38.3 If, at any time during the term of this Contract or within five (5) years after the expiration or termination of this Contract, representatives of the County conduct an audit of the Contractor regarding the work performed under this Contract,

and if such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for any such work is less than payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be either: a) repaid by the Contractor to the County by cash payment upon demand or b) at the sole option of the County's Auditor-Controller, deducted from any amounts due to the Contractor from the County, whether under this Contract or otherwise. If such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for such work is more than the payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be paid to the Contractor by the County by cash payment, provided that in no event shall the County's maximum obligation for this Contract exceed the funds appropriated by the County for the purpose of this Contract.

8.39 **Recycled Bond Paper**

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 this Contract.

8.40 **Subcontracting**

No performance of this Agreement, or any portion thereof, shall be subcontracted by Contractor. Any attempt by Contractor to subcontract any performance, obligation, or responsibility under this Agreement, shall be null and void and shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, in the event of any such breach by Contractor, this Agreement may be terminated forthwith by County. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the parties do not in any way intend that any person or entity shall acquire any rights as a third party beneficiary of this Agreement.

8.41 **Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Child Support Compliance Program**

Failure of the Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in subparagraph 8.14 - Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program, shall constitute default under this Contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to the County under any other provision of this Contract, failure of the Contractor to cure such default within ninety (90) calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which the County may terminate this Contract pursuant to subparagraph 8.43 - Termination for Default and pursue debarment of the Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

8.42 **Termination for Convenience**

8.42.1 This Contract may be terminated, in whole or in part, from time to time, when such action is deemed by the County, in its sole discretion, to be in its best interest. Termination of work hereunder shall be effected by notice of termination to the Contractor specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The date upon which such termination becomes effective shall be no less than ten (10) days after the notice is sent.

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

- Stop work under this Contract on the date and to the extent specified in such notice, and

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

8.42.3 All material including books, records, documents, or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Contractor under this Contract shall be maintained by the Contractor in accordance with subparagraph 8.38, Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement.

8.43 **Termination for Default**

8.43.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this Contract, if, in the judgment of County's Project Director:

- Contractor has materially breached this Contract; or

- Contractor fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required either under this Contract; or

- Contractor fails to demonstrate a high probability of timely fulfillment of performance requirements under this Contract, or of any obligations of this Contract and in either case, fails to demonstrate convincing progress toward a cure within five (5) working days (or such longer period as the County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from the County specifying such failure.

8.43.2 In the event that the County terminates this Contract in whole or in part as provided in subparagraph 8.43.1, the County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the County may deem appropriate, goods and services similar to those so terminated. The Contractor shall be liable to the County for any and all excess costs incurred by the County, as determined by the County, for such similar goods and services. The Contractor shall continue the performance of this Contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this subparagraph.

8.43.3 The Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs of the type identified in subparagraph 8.43.2 if its failure to perform this Contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not limited to: acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of the County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of Federal or State governments in their sovereign capacities, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but in every case, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor.

8.43.4 If, after the County has given notice of termination under the provisions of this subparagraph 8.43, it is determined by the County that the Contractor was not in default under the provisions of this subparagraph 8.43, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of subparagraph 8.43.3, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to subparagraph 8.42 - Termination for Convenience.

8.43.5 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this subparagraph 8.43 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

8.44 **Termination for Improper Consideration**

8.44.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, immediately terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Contract if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by the Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing this Contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or

extension of this Contract or the making of any determinations with respect to the Contractor's performance pursuant to this Contract. In the event of such termination, the County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.

8.44.2 The 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.

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

8.45 **Termination for Insolvency**

8.45.1 The County may terminate this Contract forthwith in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:

- Insolvency of the Contractor. The Contractor shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts for at least sixty (60) days in the ordinary course of business or cannot pay its debts as they become due, whether or not a petition has been filed under the Federal Bankruptcy Code and whether or not the Contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
- The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition regarding the Contractor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
- The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for the Contractor; or
- The execution by the Contractor of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

8.45.2 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this subparagraph 8.45 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

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8.46 **Termination for Non-Adherence of County Lobbyist Ordinance**

The Contractor, and each County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm as defined in County Code Section 2.160.010 retained by the Contractor, shall fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance, County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of the Contractor or any County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm retained by the Contractor to fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Contract, upon which the County may in its sole discretion, immediately terminate or suspend this Contract.

8.47 **Termination for Non-Appropriation of Funds**

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, the County shall not be obligated for the Contractor's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Contract during any of the County's future fiscal years unless and until the County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for this Contract in the County's Budget for each such future fiscal year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Contract, then this Contract shall terminate as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any such non-allocation of funds at the earliest possible date.

8.48 **Validity**

If any provision of this Contract or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Contract and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

8.49 **Waiver**

No waiver by the County of any breach of any provision of this Contract shall constitute a waiver of any other breach or of such provision. Failure of the County to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver thereof. The rights and remedies set forth in this subparagraph 8.49 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

8.50 **Warranty Against Contingent Fees**

8.50.1 The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon any Contract or understanding for a commission,

percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business.

8.50.2 For breach of this warranty, the County shall have the right to terminate this Contract and, at its sole discretion, deduct from the Contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

8.51 **Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program**

Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals and businesses that benefit financially from County through contract are current in paying their property tax obligations (secured and unsecured roll) in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.

Unless Contractor qualifies for an exemption or exclusion, Contractor warrants and certifies that to the best of its knowledge it is now in compliance, and during the term of this contract will maintain compliance, with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.206.

8.52 **Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program**

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Paragraph 8.51 "Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program" shall constitute default under this contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this contract, failure of Contractor to cure such default within ten (10) days of notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this contract and/or pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.206.

8.53 **Time Off for Voting**

The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the time off for voting law (Elections Code Section 14000). Not less than ten (10) days before every statewide election, every Contractor shall keep posted conspicuously at the place of work, if practicable, or elsewhere where it can be seen as

employees come or go to their place of work, a notice setting forth the provisions of Section 14000.

9.0 UNIQUE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

9.1 Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA")

Inadvertent Access – Contractor is neither a Covered Entity nor Business Associate. Contractor or its employees are not intended to have any access to patient medical records/patient information, but in the course of the performance of Agreement services, may have inadvertent access to such records.

9.1.1 Contractor expressly acknowledges and agrees that the provision of services under this Agreement does not require or permit access by Contractor or any of its officers, employees, or agents, to any patient medical records/patient information. Accordingly, Contractor shall instruct its officers, employees, and agents, that they are not to pursue, or gain access to, patient medical records/patient information for any reason whatsoever.

9.1.3 Notwithstanding the forgoing, the parties acknowledge that in the course of the provision of services hereunder, Contractor or its officers, employees, and agents, may have inadvertent access to patient medical records/patient information. Contractor understands and agrees that neither it nor its officers, employees, or agents, are to take advantage of such access for any purpose whatsoever.

9.1.4 Additionally, in the event of such inadvertent access, Contractor and its officers, employees, and agents, shall maintain the confidentiality of any information obtained and shall notify the Acting Director of Mental Health that such access has been gained immediately, or upon the first reasonable opportunity to do so. In the event of any access, whether inadvertent or intentional, Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to, actions, claims, costs, demands, expenses, and fees (including attorney and expert witness fees) arising from or connected with Contractor's or its officers', employees', or agents', access to patient medical records/patient information. Contractor agrees to provide appropriate training to its employees regarding their obligations as described hereinabove.

9.2 Ownership of Materials, Software and Copyright

9.2.1 County shall be the sole owner of all right, title and interest, including copyright, in and to all software, plans, diagrams, facilities, and tools (hereafter "materials") which are originated or created through the Contractor's work pursuant to this Contract. The Contractor, for valuable consideration herein provided, shall execute all documents necessary to assign and transfer to, and vest in the County all of the Contractor's right, title and interest in and to such original materials, including any copyright, patent and trade secret rights which arise pursuant to the Contractor's work under this Contract.

9.2.2 During the term of this Contract and for five (5) years thereafter, the Contractor shall maintain and provide security for all of the Contractor's working papers prepared under this Contract. County shall have the right to inspect, copy and use at any time during and subsequent to the term of this Contract, any and all such working papers and all information contained therein.

9.2.3 Any and all materials, software and tools which are developed or were originally acquired by the Contractor outside the scope of this Contract, which the Contractor desires to use hereunder, and which the Contractor considers to be proprietary or confidential, must be specifically identified by the Contractor to the County's Project Manager as proprietary or confidential, and shall be plainly and prominently marked by the Contractor as "Proprietary" or "Confidential" on each appropriate page of any document containing such material.

9.2.4 The County will use reasonable means to ensure that the Contractor's proprietary and/or confidential items are safeguarded and held in confidence. The County agrees not to reproduce, distribute or disclose to non-County entities any such proprietary and/or confidential items without the prior written consent of the Contractor.

9.2.5 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, the County will not be obligated to the Contractor in any way under subparagraph 9.2.4 for any of the Contractor's proprietary and/or confidential items which are not plainly and prominently marked with restrictive legends as required by subparagraph 9.2.3 or for any disclosure which the

County is required to make under any state or federal law or order of court.

9.2.6 All the rights and obligations of this subparagraph 9.2 shall survive the expiration or termination of this Contract.

9.3 **Patent, Copyright and Trade Secret Indemnification**

9.3.1 The Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend County from and against any and all liability, damages, costs, and expenses, including, but not limited to, defense costs and attorneys' fees, for or by reason of any actual infringement of any third party's patent or copyright, or any actual or alleged unauthorized trade secret disclosure, arising from or related to the operation and utilization of the Contractor's work under this Contract. County shall inform the Contractor as soon as practicable of any claim or action alleging such infringement or unauthorized disclosure, and shall support the Contractor's defense and settlement thereof.

9.3.2 In the event any equipment, part thereof, or software product becomes the subject of any complaint, claim, or proceeding alleging infringement or unauthorized disclosure, such that County's continued use of such item is formally restrained, enjoined, or subjected to a risk of damages, the Contractor, at its sole expense, and providing that County's continued use of the system is not materially impeded, shall either:

- Procure for County all rights to continued use of the questioned equipment, part, or software product; or
- Replace the questioned equipment, part, or software product with a non-questioned item; or
- Modify the questioned equipment, part, or software so that it is free of claims.

9.3.3 The Contractor shall have no liability if the alleged infringement or unauthorized disclosure is based upon a use of the questioned product, either alone or in combination with other items not supplied by the Contractor, in a manner for which the questioned product was not designed nor intended.

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9.4 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 Charitable Contributions Certification, Exhibit I, 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)

9.5 Data Destruction

Contractor(s) and Vendor(s) that have maintained, processed, or stored the County of Los Angeles' ("County") data and/or information, implied or expressed, have the sole responsibility to certify that the data and information have been appropriately destroyed consistent with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication SP 800-88 titled *Guidelines for Media Sanitization*. Available at:
http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/PubsDrafts.html#SP-800-88 Rev.%201

The data and/or information may be stored on purchased, leased, or rented electronic storage equipment (e.g., printers, hard drives) and electronic devices (e.g., servers, workstations) that are geographically located within the County, or external to the County's boundaries. The County must receive within ten (10) business days, a signed document from Contractor(s) and Vendor(s) that certifies and validates the data and information were placed in one or more of the following stored states: unusable, unreadable, and indecipherable.

Vendor shall certify that any County data stored on purchased, leased, or rented electronic storage equipment and electronic devices, including, but not limited to printers, hard drives, servers, and/or workstations are destroyed consistent with the current National Institute of Standard and Technology (NIST) Special Publication SP-800-88, *Guidelines for Media Sanitization.* Vendor shall provide County with written certification, within ten (10) business days of removal of any electronic storage equipment and devices, that validates that any and all County data was destroyed and is unusable, unreadable, and/or undecipherable.

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

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By_____
Robin Kay, Ph.D.
Acting Director of Mental Health

Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc.
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 _____
Interim Chief, Contracts Development
and Administration Division

EXHIBIT A

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
CHILDREN'S SYSTEMS OF CARE ADMINISTRATION
RESPITE CARE SERVICES PROGRAM (RCSP)
STATEMENT OF WORK

I. RESPITE CARE SERVICES PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (DMH) seeks to provide respite care services to parents, relative caregivers, and non-relative caregivers caring for a child with a Severe Emotional Disturbance (SED).

Respite care services are positive, supportive services intended to relieve families from the stress and strain that may result from providing continuous care to a child with a SED. Respite care services are an adjunct service that Full Service Partnership (FSP)/Field Capable Clinical Services (FCCS) families can access. These services will allow caregivers the opportunity to address their personal and/or other familial care needs. Caregivers can leave the home to take care of personal errands knowing that their child is safe and being supervised at home by a respite caregiver.

The Respite Care Services Program (RCSP) was developed through a stakeholder's process and was included in the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan under the Community Services and Supports (CSS) Plan.

Respite care is an option which can be used to keep the child at home, in a safe and positive environment.

The purpose of the RCSP is to:

1. Prevent out of home placement or the disruption of the current placement;
2. Provide short-term relief to caregivers providing in-home care; and
3. Provide appropriate care and supervision in the absence of family member(s) and/or caregiver(s).

II. POPULATION TO BE SERVED

The RCSP targets parents (i.e. biological, adoptive and foster) and relative caregivers, defined as a relative and extended family member caregiver or guardian caring for a child being supervised by the Child Welfare System with either open or closed cases.

The RCSP shall serve parents/caregivers caring for children and youth with a SED meeting the following criteria:

1. Birth to 15 years of age, with specific focus on infants and children who are birth to five (5) years of age;
2. Have a parent/caregiver who has expressed feeling overwhelmed/stressed and has exhausted all other available formal and/or informal sources of support to care for the child at home; and

3. Are currently receiving mental health services through FSP or FCCS from a DMH contracted agency; and at least one of the following:

   - Are at risk of out-of-home placement due to high stress caused on the parent because of continued caretaking without respite care; or
   - Are experiencing school challenges due to behavioral concerns; or
   - Have an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) due to behavioral concerns at school

III. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES/DELIVERABLES

The Contractor shall have the staffing capacity to provide respite care services in all eight (8) Service Areas (SA) of Los Angeles County.

A. Contractor will receive referrals directly from DMH contracted Child FSP/FCCS providers. Contractor must develop protocols on how referrals are received and processed including how families are engaged and begin receiving respite services. This includes:

   1. Creating a referral tracking system, to be approved by DMH, which monitors referrals, response time, and services rendered on a regular basis;
   2. Verifying child's participation in FSP/FCCS prior to initiation of services;
   3. Coordinating behavioral plans with treatment providers; and
   4. Submitting required documentation of services to referring agency and DMH necessary to track client participation in respite care.

B. Respite care services shall be provided in families' homes by an experienced respite caregiver. The respite caregiver shall:

   1. Provide supervision to ensure child safety;
   2. Provide positive behavior supports to address minor behavioral issues;
   3. Engage the child in recreational activities which may include art and music;
   4. Assist the child to maintain their daily routines;
   5. Prepare meals;
   6. Provide homework assistance; and
   7. Teach and model socialization skills.

C. Respite care shall be provided to each client/family for a maximum of 192 hours, over 12 consecutive months as determined by client/family, treatment team, and DMH consensus. The need for more hours shall be assessed on a case-by-case basis and shall require pre-approval by DMH.

1. Contractor shall notify the FSP/FCCS provider and family when approaching the allotted maximum of service hours, no later than 176 hours of service, and prior to termination of respite care services.
2. If the FSP/FCCS clinician determines that the parent/caregiver has a need for additional hours, which exceed the allotted maximum number of service hours, Contractor shall ensure that approval is obtained from DMH prior to the provision of additional hours of service.

D. Scheduled respite care services shall be available 24-hours per day, seven (7) days per week, 365 days per year.

E. Contractor shall contact recipient families within 72 (seventy-two) hours of receiving the referral.

F. Contractor shall provide families with a replacement respite care service provider if their provider is unavailable on the day the service is scheduled to be provided or the provider is not a good fit for the family. No family is to be left without services.

G. Contractor shall arrive at families' homes on time and leave when the shift is completed.

H. Contractor shall adhere to its own reporting guidelines pertaining to child, elderly or disabled abuse as appropriate.

I. Contractor shall ensure that all respite care staff have the ability to provide emergency care including Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), first-aid response and execute appropriate emergency plans.

J. The Contractor shall have a written protocol for respite care staff to obtain information about the child's medication and medical problems, such as information about asthma or allergic reactions. This information and appropriate responses in the event of an emergency shall be collected from parents/caregivers prior to initiation of services. Contractor shall develop a detailed emergency plan with parents/caregivers prior to the initiation of services.

K. Contractor shall submit a 30-day notification to DMH prior to termination of respite care services.

IV. STAFFING REQUIREMENTS

Contractor shall conform to the following staff requirements:

Criminal Clearances: Contractor shall ensure that criminal clearances and background checks have been conducted for all staff prior to beginning and continuing work under this contract. The cost of such criminal clearances and

background checks is the responsibility of the Contractor whether or not the Contractor staff passes or fails the background and criminal clearance investigations.

Language Ability: Contractor's personnel who are performing services under this Contract shall be able to read, write, speak, and understand English in order to conduct business with the County, and shall be able to speak and understand other languages as necessary to provide respite care services to targeted families.

Driver's License: Contractor shall maintain copies of current driver's licenses and proof of auto insurance for all personnel providing services required in this SOW.

License and Experience: Contractor shall be responsible for securing and maintaining qualified staff to provide services required in this SOW. The Contractor shall ensure that respite care staff has a minimum of one (1) year of experience working with children with behavioral issues. In addition, staff must be current with all licenses, permits, registrations, accreditations and/or certificates required by Federal, State and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, guidelines and directives, which are applicable to Contractor's facility(ies) and/or services.

Documentation: Contractor shall maintain documentation in the personnel files of all staff. This documentation shall include: (1) licenses, permits, registrations, accreditations, and/or certificates as applicable; (2) copies of resumes, degrees, and professional licenses; and (3) current criminal clearances.

Rosters: Contractor shall provide DMH, at the beginning of each Contract term and within 30 days of any staff change(s), a roster of all staff that includes for each staff member: (1) name and position; (2) work schedule; and (3) fax and telephone numbers.

Changes in Staffing: Contractor shall advise DMH in writing of any change(s) in Contractor's administrator and/or any other staff that is directly working with DMH on this contract at least 24 (twenty-four) hours before proposed change(s), including name and qualifications of new personnel. Contractor shall ensure that no interruption of services occurs as a result of a change in personnel.

V. QUALITY MANAGEMENT AND DATA COLLECTION

A. QUALITY MANAGEMENT

Contractor shall implement a comprehensive written Quality Management Program and Plan including Quality Assurance and Quality Improvement processes to ensure the Respite Care Agency monitors, documents and reports on required program services provided and that identified measurable performance outcomes are attained. The plan shall be submitted to DMH for review and approval within 30 days of contract execution. The Plan shall be updated and re-submitted as changes are needed and/or as changes occur.

The Contractor's plan shall describe the following:

1. The methods by which performance outcomes will be measured and attained;
2. The quality monitoring methods and activities to be implemented to assure the stated measurable performance outcomes and specified Agreement requirements are met;
3. Qualifications of monitoring staff, samples of monitoring forms and identification of related accountability reporting documents;
4. The methods and frequency by which the qualifying knowledge, skills, experience, and appropriate licenses and/or credentials of professional staff is properly assured, supervised, and maintained during the life of the Agreement;
5. The methods for identifying, preventing and correcting barriers/deficiencies/problems related to the quality of services provided before the level of performance becomes unacceptable; and
6. Quality improvement strategies and interventions.

B. DATA COLLECTION

Contractor shall submit data required by DMH, including but not limited to demographic, referral date, dates of service (including start and end dates) and reason for termination of services. Data shall be submitted to DMH on a quarterly basis.

C. SURVEYS

Contractor shall submit to DMH a copy of each completed participating family intake referral form. At termination of services, DMH will conduct telephonic survey with participating families to evaluate the quality and benefits of the services received.

VI. PERFORMANCE-BASED CRITERIA

DMH shall evaluate Contractor on Performance-Based Criteria indicated in table below. The Department will conduct data analyses to determine program effectiveness utilizing family satisfaction surveys and database reviews (Outcome Measures Application (OMA) and DMH Respite Care Database).

DMH shall conduct regularly scheduled program monitoring, which may include review of agency and program records, site visits, requests for data and reports, telephonic conferences, correspondence, and meetings with Contractor to evaluate adherence to the performance-based criteria. DMH will notify Contractor whenever there are changes to County policies or procedures that apply to contract provision at least, where feasible, 30 calendar days prior to implementation.

PERFORMANCE-BASED CRITERIA	MEASUREMENT	PERFORMANCE TARGETS
1. Services available at times requested by family	Intake Referral Form and Parent/Caregiver Post Services Surveys	100% compliance providing services at the times requested by parents/ caregivers
2. Families to be contacted within 72 hours of receipt of referral	Parent/Caregiver Post Services Survey Respite Care Database	100% compliance with contacting parents/caregivers within 72 hours of receiving referrals
3. Report Placement Permanency as a result of receiving respite care services	Outcome Measures Application (OMA) Intake Referral Form Post Services Surveys Respite Care Database	A minimum of 85% of families receiving services, will identify respite care services as a contributing factor to maintaining placement stability
4. Report satisfaction of respite care services	Parent/Caregiver Post Services Survey	100% of parents/caregivers will report satisfaction with respite care services
5. Report of stress reduction as a result from receiving respite care services	Intake Referral Form Parent/Caregiver Post Services Survey	A minimum of 85% of parents/caregivers will report reduction in stress due to receiving respite care services
6. Report improved relationship between parent/caregiver and child as a result of receiving respite care services	Intake Referral Form and Parent/Caregiver Post Services Survey	A minimum of 85% of parents/caregivers will report improvement in the quality of relationship between themselves and child due to receiving respite care services

EXHIBIT B

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

MAXIM HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC.
RESPITE CARE PROGRAM SERVICES
FEE SCHEDULE

I. DISBURSEMENT SCHEDULE

The Department of Mental Health (DMH) shall pay Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. for respite care services (per Exhibit A-Statement of Work) rendered during the term of this Agreement, from _____, 2016 through June 30, 2018, as follows:

1. Up to $1,000,000, funded by State Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) revenue, but payment shall not exceed $500,000 in any fiscal year during the term of this Agreement; and
2. Should additional funding become available, payment shall be made in accordance with funding regulations.

Payment to Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. for respite care services rendered shall be based on monthly invoices from Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. to DMH as described on the following pages. No payment shall be made without prior approval of a designated County Project Manager as referenced in this Agreement. The County Project Manager shall review the invoice and supplemental documents referenced below to determine whether Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. is in substantial compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

II. INVOICE SUBMISSION PROCESS AND MONTHLY REPORT

Submission Process

Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. shall submit to DMH monthly invoices and the accompanying monthly report within 30 (thirty) days of the last date services were provided. The Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. Program Administrator shall certify that invoices are for services and costs eligible under the terms and conditions for reimbursement.

Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. shall submit invoices to:

LOS ANGELES COUNTY – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENT SECTION
550 SOUTH VERMONT AVENUE, 8TH FLOOR
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90020

Supplemental Documents

The following documents and procedures are required for Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. to receive reimbursement:

- Respite Care Expense Reimbursement Claim Form (EXHIBIT B-Attachment 1).
- Number of respite service hours rendered on each invoice.
- In addition to the invoice, Contractor will submit timesheets signed by respite care staff and parent/caregiver.

Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. is required to itemize monthly Respite Care expenditures on the Respite Expense Reimbursement Claim Form before submitting it to DMH for review and payment.

When completing the claim form, Contractor must select program type, either FCCS or FSP, and enter the client's IS number, name, date of service, number of hours provided, number of clients served, service rate, reimbursement amount and total reimbursement (EXHIBIT B-Attachment 1).

Cost will be based on the following hourly rate schedule:

Service	**Rate**
Individual Rate	$30 per hour
Sibling Rate 1:1 (1 respite staff per client)	$30 per hour
Sibling Rate 1:2 (1 respite staff for 2 clients)	$45 per hour

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS FOR REIMBURSEMENT

The following supportive documentation shall be maintained on file in accordance with Paragraph 8.38, Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement, of the Agreement:

1. Original receipts to support payment invoices that identify individual clients and/or bulk purchases. If an original receipt is not obtainable, a copy of the receipt or justification as to why the receipt was not obtained should be retained;
2. Copies of signed checks issued; and
3. Copies of staff time records identifying time spent providing respite care.

Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. is required to archive all of its Respite Care expenditure receipts for a period of at least seven (7) years, and provide such receipts to DMH upon request.

III. PAYMENT PROCEDURES

Upon receipt of invoices from Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., DMH shall make payment to Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. within 45 (forty-five) days of the date the invoice was approved for payment. If any portion of the invoice is disputed by DMH, DMH shall reimburse Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. for the undisputed services contained on the invoice and work diligently with Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. to resolve the disputed portion of the claim in a timely manner.

DMH shall make reimbursement payable to Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. and shall send payments to:

Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc.
12559 Collections Center Drive
Chicago, IL 60693-0195

IV. MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT FUNDS

In the event Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funds are not available to pay MHSA claims or if the State denies any or all of the MHSA claims submitted by County on behalf of Contractor, County is not responsible for any substantive payment obligation.

County shall evaluate Contractor utilization of MHSA funding allocated under this Agreement and shall adjust and reallocate amounts to any one or a combination of the following: 1) another contractor, 2) DMH directly operated clinics, and/or 3) the County DMH reserve of unallocated funding for MHSA services. Amounts to be reduced and reallocated will be based on County's projected underutilization of such MHSA funds.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

EXHIBIT B-ATTACHMENT 1

RESPITE CARE SERVICES PROGRAM REIMBURSEMENT CLAIM

PROGRAM: ☐ **FCCS** ☐ **FSP**

Provider Name: _____ **Fiscal Year:** _____

Provider Number: _____ **Billing Month:** _____

IS #	Client(s) Name(s)	Date of Service	# of Hours Provided	# of Clients Served	Service Rate	Reimbursement Amount
					Total Reimbursement:	**$**

AGENCY VERIFICATION & APPROVAL	DMH APPROVAL
I hereby certify that all information contained above are services and costs eligible under the terms and conditions for reimbursement under Client Support Services and is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. All supporting documentation will be maintained in a separate file for the period specified under the provisions of the Agreement - Paragraph 8.38, Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement.	
Provider Approving Signature _____ Date _____	DMH Approving Signature _____ Date _____
Print Name _____ Title _____	Print Name _____ Title _____

EXHIBIT C

CONTRACTOR'S EEO CERTIFICATION

_____
Contractor Name

_____
Address

_____
Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

GENERAL CERTIFICATION

In accordance with Section 4.32.010 of the Code of the County of Los Angeles, the contractor, supplier, or 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.

CONTRACTOR'S SPECIFIC CERTIFICATIONS

1.	The Contractor has a written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment.	Yes ☐	No ☐
2.	The Contractor periodically conducts a self-analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.	Yes ☐	No ☐
3.	The Contractor has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.	Yes ☐	No ☐
4.	Where problem areas are identified in employment practices, the Contractor has a system for taking reasonable corrective action, to include establishment of goals or timetables.	Yes ☐	No ☐

_____
Authorized Official's Printed Name and Title

_____ _____
Authorized Official's Signature Date

EXHIBIT D

COUNTY'S ADMINISTRATION

CONTRACT NO. _____

COUNTY PROJECT DIRECTOR:

Name: Kalene Gilbert, LCSW

Title: Mental Health Clinical Program Manager III

Address: 600 S. Commonwealth Avenue 6th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90005

Telephone: 213-739-5403 Facsimile: 213-252-0238

E-Mail Address: KGilbert@dmh.lacounty.gov

COUNTY PROJECT MANAGER:

Name: Kanchana Tate

Title: Mental Health Clinical Supervisor

Address: 600 S. Commonwealth Avenue 6th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90005

Telephone: 213-739-5481 Facsimile: 213-252-0238

E-Mail Address: ktate@dmh.lacounty.gov

COUNTY CONTRACT PROJECT MONITOR:

Name: Rebeca Hurtado

Title: Mental Health Clinical Supervisor

Address: 600 S. Commonwealth Avenue 6th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90005

Telephone: 213-739-5409 Facsimile: 213-252-0238

E-Mail Address: RHurtado@dmh.lacount.gov

EXHIBIT E

CONTRACTOR'S ADMINISTRATION

CONTRACTOR'S NAME:_____

CONTRACT NO: _____

CONTRACTOR'S PROJECT MANAGER: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

_____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

CONTRACTOR'S AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL(S)

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

_____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

_____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Notices to Contractor shall be sent to the following:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

_____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

EXHIBIT F1

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

CONTRACTOR NAME _____ Contract No._____

GENERAL INFORMATION:

The Contractor referenced above has entered into a contract with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires the Corporation to sign this Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement.

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor employees, consultants, Outsourced Vendors and independent contractors (Contractor's Staff) that will provide services in the above referenced agreement are Contractor's sole responsibility. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff must rely exclusively upon Contractor for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable by virtue of Contractor's Staff's performance of work under the above-referenced contract.

Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff are not employees of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that Contractor's Staff 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. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff 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:

Contractor and Contractor's Staff may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, Contractor and Contractor's Staff may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, Contractor and Contractor's Staff may also have access to proprietary information supplied 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, criminal, and welfare recipient records. Contractor and Contractor's Staff understand that if they are involved in County work, the County must ensure that Contractor and Contractor's Staff, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, Contractor must sign this Confidentiality Agreement as a condition of work to be provided by Contractor's Staff for the County.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff hereby agrees that they will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced contract between Contractor and the County of Los Angeles. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received to County's Project Manager.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to keep confidential all 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, Contractor proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to Contractor and Contractor's Staff under the above-referenced contract. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than Contractor or County employees who have a need to know the information. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me during this employment, Contractor and Contractor's Staff shall keep such information confidential.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to report any and all violations of this agreement by Contractor and Contractor's Staff and/or by any other person of whom Contractor and Contractor's Staff become aware.

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

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____/_____/_____

PRINTED NAME: _____

POSITION: _____

EXHIBIT F2

CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

Note: This certification is to be executed and returned to County with Contractor's executed Contract. Work cannot begin on the Contract until County receives this executed document.

Contractor Name _____ Contract No._____

Employee Name _____

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Your employer referenced above has entered into a contract with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires your signature on this Contractor Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement.

EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

I understand and agree that the Contractor referenced above is my sole employer for purposes of the above-referenced contract. I understand and agree that I must rely exclusively upon my employer for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable to me or on my behalf by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced contract.

I understand and agree 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.

I understand and agree that I may be required to undergo a background and security investigation(s). I understand and agree that my continued performance of work under the above-referenced contract is contingent upon my passing, to the satisfaction of the County, any and all such investigations. I understand and agree that my failure to pass, to the satisfaction of the County, any such investigation shall result in my immediate release from performance under this and/or any future contract.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

I may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, I may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, I may also have access to proprietary information supplied 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, criminal, and welfare recipient records. I understand that if I am involved in County work, the County must ensure that I, too, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, I understand that I must sign this agreement as a condition of my work to be provided by my employer for the County. I have read this agreement and have taken 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 between my employer and the County of Los Angeles. I agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received by me to my immediate supervisor.

I agree to keep confidential all 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, Contractor 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 my employer or County employees who have a need to know the information. I agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me during this employment, I shall keep such information confidential.

I agree to report to my immediate supervisor any and all violations of this agreement by myself and/or by any other person of whom I become aware. I agree to return all confidential materials to my immediate supervisor upon completion of this contract or termination of my employment with my employer, whichever occurs first.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____/_____/_____

PRINTED NAME: _____

POSITION: _____

EXHIBIT F3

CONTRACTOR NON-EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

Note: This certification is to be executed and returned to County with Contractor's executed Contract. Work cannot begin on the Contract until County receives this executed document.

Contractor Name _____ Contract No._____

Non-Employee Name _____

GENERAL INFORMATION:

The Contractor referenced above has entered into a contract with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires your signature on this Contractor Non-Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement.

NON-EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

I understand and agree that the Contractor referenced above has exclusive control for purposes of the above-referenced contract. I understand and agree that I must rely exclusively upon the Contractor referenced above for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable to me or on my behalf by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced contract.

I understand and agree 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.

I understand and agree that I may be required to undergo a background and security investigation(s). I understand and agree that my continued performance of work under the above-referenced contract is contingent upon my passing, to the satisfaction of the County, any and all such investigations. I understand and agree that my failure to pass, to the satisfaction of the County, any such investigation shall result in my immediate release from performance under this and/or any future contract.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

I may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, I may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, I may also have access to proprietary information supplied 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, criminal, and welfare recipient records. I understand that if I am involved in County work, the County must ensure that I, too, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, I understand that I must sign this agreement as a condition of my work to be provided by the above-referenced Contractor for the County. I have read this agreement and have taken 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 between the above-referenced Contractor and the County of Los Angeles. I agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received by me to the above-referenced Contractor.

I agree to keep confidential all 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, Contractor 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 the above-referenced Contractor or County employees who have a need to know the information. I agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me, I shall keep such information confidential.

I agree to report to the above-referenced Contractor any and all violations of this agreement by myself and/or by any other person of whom I become aware. I agree to return all confidential materials to the above-referenced Contractor upon completion of this contract or termination of my services hereunder, whichever occurs first.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____/_____/_____

PRINTED NAME: _____

POSITION: _____

EXHIBIT G

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)

EXHIBIT H

SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

EXHIBIT H

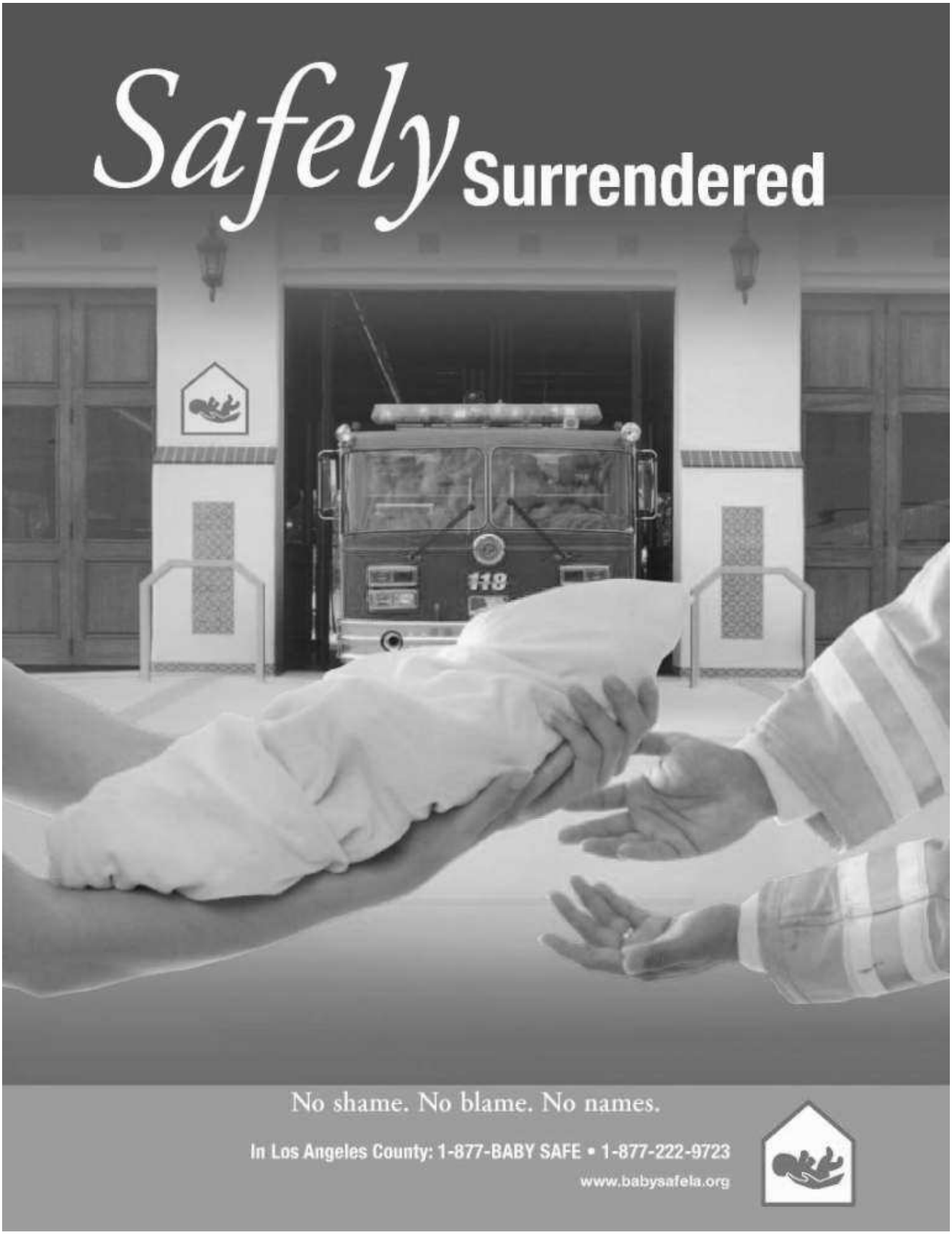
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EXHIBIT H

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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.

Every baby deserves a chance for a healthy life. If someone you know is considering abandoning a baby, let her know there are other options. For three days (72 hours) after birth, a baby can be surrendered to staff at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County.

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.

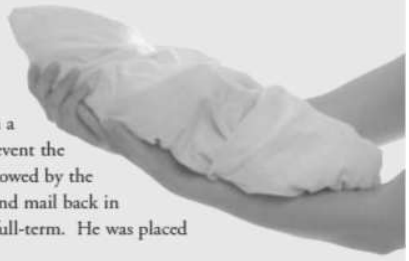
What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

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?

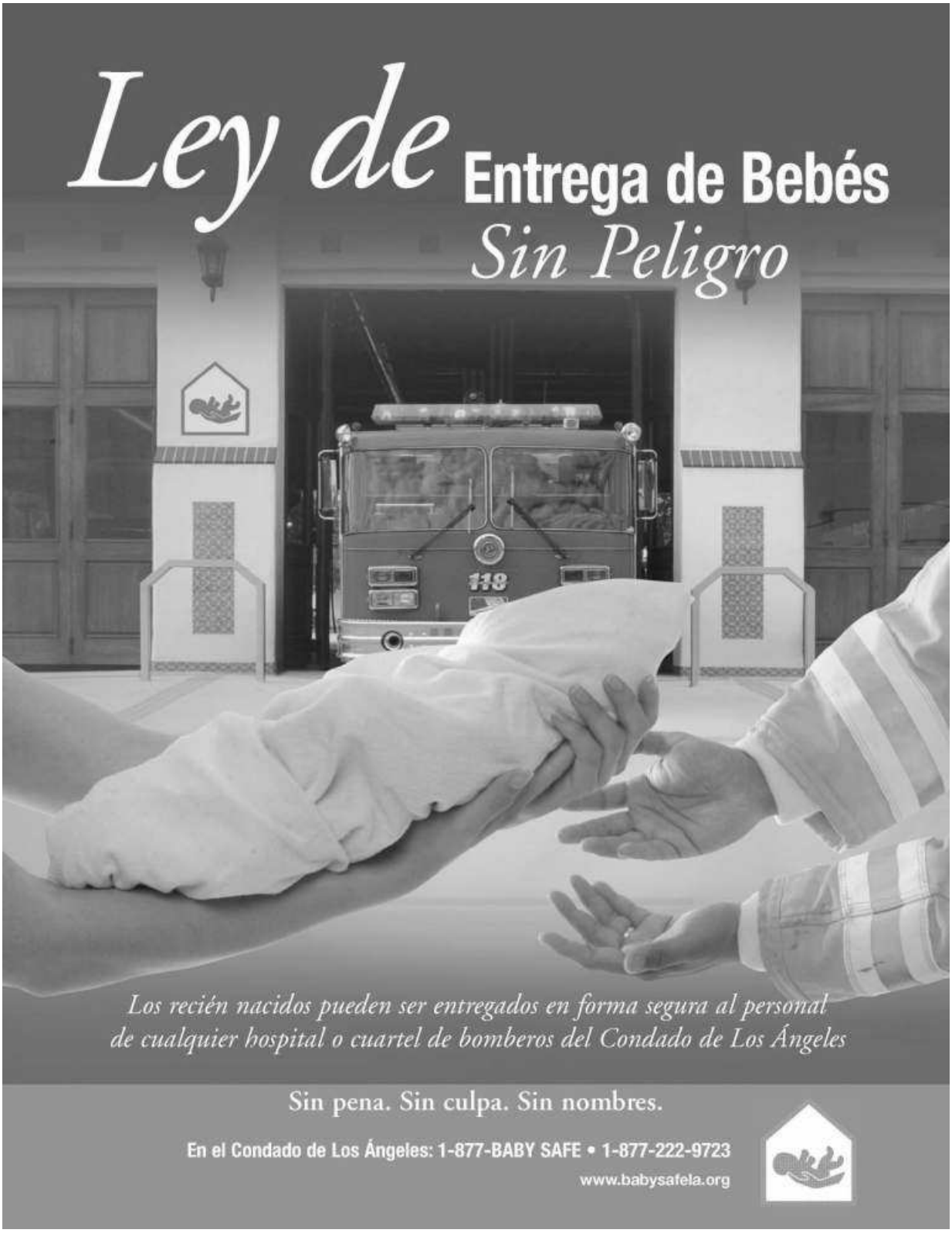
The purpose of the **Safely Surrendered Baby Law** is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their 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.

EXHIBIT H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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 I

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION

_____
Company Name

_____
Address

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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

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Name and Title of Signer (please print)

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August 2, 2016

TO: Each Supervisor

Robin Kay, Ph.D.

FROM: Robin Kay, Ph.D.
Acting Director

SUBJECT: **NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO APPROVE A PERCENTAGE INCREASE EXCEEDING TEN PERCENT OF THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT FOR ONE RESPITE CARE SERVICES PROGRAM AGREEMENT FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES**

This is to advise your Board that the Department of Mental Health (DMH) is scheduling a Board letter for the August 30, 2016, agenda requesting approval to execute an agreement with Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., for the provision of the Respite Care Services Program. The Board letter also requests an additional ten percent for a total of twenty percent delegated authority to increase the Total Contract Amount (TCA) of the Agreement.

In accordance with Board of Supervisors Policy No. 5.120, prior Board notice is required for any department requesting delegated authority to increase Board-approved contracts over ten percent.

JUSTIFICATION

This authority will allow DMH and Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., to maintain business continuity in the provision of respite care services throughout Los Angeles County. In most instances where speed and response time are of key importance, the increased delegated authority will allow DMH and Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., to maximize, prioritize, and increase access to services on a continuous and ever-increasing basis to its ever-growing clientele, which more effectively meets the County's mission, "To Enrich Lives Through Effective And Caring Service."

Should there be a need to exceed the twenty percent delegated authority, DMH will return to your Board with a request for authority to amend the contracts accordingly.

NOTIFICATION TIMELINE

Consistent with the procedures of Board Policy No. 5.120, we are informing your Board of our intention to proceed with filing the Board letter with the Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors for the August 30, 2016, Board meeting.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me, or your staff may contact Angel Baker, Interim Chief, Contracts Development and Administration Division, at (213) 738-4684.

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