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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

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Christina R. Ghaly, M.D. Chief Operations Officer APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENTS FOR TRAUMA CENTER SERVICES AND APPRORIATION ADJUSTMENT (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)

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To ensure access to high-quality, patient-centered, cost-effective health care to Los Angeles County residents through direct services at DHS facilities and through collaboration with community and university partners.

SUBJECT

Request approval of an amendment to the payment terms of the existing Trauma Center Services Agreements with twelve non-County trauma centers for the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, an Appropriation Adjustment to make the funds available to the Department of Health Services, and an amendment to extend the Trauma Centers Services Agreement with the two County trauma centers.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Authorize the Director of Health Services (Director), or his designee, to execute an Amendment to the payment terms of the existing Los Angeles County (County) Department of Health Services (DHS) Trauma Center Services (TCS) Agreements with twelve non-County trauma centers effective upon Board approval for the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.
- 2. Approve an Appropriation Adjustment to realign approximately \$0.4 million within Measure B Fund from Services and Supplies to Other Charges to cover additional intergovernmental transfer of funds totaling approximately \$12.6 million to California Department of Health Care Services for final Fiscal Year 2014-15 payment to non-County trauma centers.



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3. Authorize the Director of Health Services (Director), or his designee, to execute an Amendment to extend the term with two County designated trauma centers, effective upon Board approval for the period July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On June 4, 2014 and November 18, 2014, the Board approved two six-month extensions to the TCS Agreements, respectively, with twelve non-County trauma centers, through June 30, 2015. These extensions together provided an estimated aggregate maximum County obligation of \$44.2 million distributed to all non-County trauma centers to reimburse for the costs of indigent and other trauma services as follows:

Claims Based Funding \$11.2 million Lump Sum Funding \$26.8 million Base Station Services \$4.5 million

Richie Fund/Pediatric Trauma Allocation \$1.7 million

Under the terms of the TCS Agreements, the funds designated for Base Station Service and Pediatric Trauma are divided among the non-County trauma centers in specific amounts set forth in the Agreements' terms.

With respect to the Claims Based Funding and Lump Sum Funding, a different allocation methodology is used. The non-County trauma centers must submit their claims for care provided to indigent patients. As a first step, the County pays these claims at specified rates using the Claims Based Funding until those funds are depleted. The County then calculates how much each non-County trauma center is entitled to receive as its share of the Lump Sum Funding, based upon the proportion/percentage of the unpaid claims of each non-County trauma center as compared to the aggregated unpaid claims of all non-County trauma centers. (Note: Children's Hospital is an exception to this allocation methodology as it receives a fixed allocation of \$0.8 million, since its minor patients almost always have some form of private or Government-sponsored insurance.) For actual disbursement of Base Station Services funds and Lump Sum Funding, the County utilizes a Federally-approved State Plan Amendment (SPA) to increase payments to private trauma hospitals within Los Angeles County, by sending an intergovernmental transfer (IGT) of funds to the California Department of Health Care Services (CDHCS) to draw down Federal matching dollars for issuing enhanced Medi-Cal payments to the private trauma hospitals (i.e., ten non-County trauma centers), with payment of the IGT and matching dollars paid by CDHCS directly to each non-County trauma center. Since the State considers Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center (UCLA) and Antelope Valley Hospital (AVH) to be public hospitals which are ineligible to receive enhanced Medi-Cal payments under the SPA, the County issues a payment of Base Station Services funds and their share of Lump Sum Funding directly to UCLA and AVH.

Due to the implementation of the Affordable Care Act, all non-County trauma centers have experienced a significant decline in trauma claims for indigent patients in FY 2014-15. Based on this, DHS analyzed the Lump Sum Funding allocation methodology and determined that any methodology based on these claims would result in significant funding changes to some non-County trauma centers. DHS is cognizant of the fact that many non-County trauma centers have already used the amount that they received for FY 2013-14 as the base to accrue their estimated revenues for FY 2014-15, and any material variance from the FY 2013-14 Lump Sum Funding amount would require some of these hospitals to adjust their FY 2014-15 published accounting profits downward.

As a result, DHS is proposing that for FY 2014-15 each non-County trauma center receive the same

amount of funding that it received for FY 2013-14. In addition, the funding amount for FY 2014-15, as compared to FY 2013-14, increased by \$3,092,023 due to refunds of prior year claim payments. To allocate this increased amount, DHS is proposing the following: provide a County match of the Lump Sum Funding for AVH and UCLA (an aggregate payment of \$1,710,463) because these two hospitals do not receive Federal matching dollars due to their public hospital status; and allocate the remaining funds (\$1,381,560) equally among all twelve non-County trauma centers, with each facility receiving a payment of \$115,130.

The proposed FY 2014-15 payments to non-County trauma centers are summarized in Attachment I. DHS has met with all non-County trauma centers to discuss this proposed method for FY 2014-15 Lump Sum allocation, and all parties have indicated they will sign the proposed amendment to the TCS Agreement as described in this letter.

Approval of the first and second recommendations will authorize the Director, or his designee, to execute amendments to the existing non-County TCS Agreements for FY 2014-15 substantially similar to Exhibit I, and send the final IGT to CDHCS to draw down Federal matching dollars for ten private hospitals and issue the final payment to AVH and UCLA for FY2014-15.

Approval of the third recommendation will authorize the Director, or his designee, to execute amendments to the existing County TCS Agreements to extend the term through December 31, 2016 substantially similar to Exhibit II. Approval of the delegated authority to extend the non-County TCS Agreements through December 31, 2016 was previously approved by the Board on December 8, 2015.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommendations support Goal 1, Operational Effectiveness, of the County's Strategic Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

An Appropriation Adjustment is required, Attachment II, to realign \$0.4 million within Measure B Special Tax Fund from Services & Supplies to Other Charges to cover a total of \$12.6 million Final IGT payment to CDHCS for FY 2014-15.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to the authority granted under California Health and Safety (H&S) Code Section 1798.160, the County maintains trauma facilities as part of the regional trauma care system for treatment of potentially seriously injured persons. Division 2.5 of the H&S Code authorizes the local Emergency Medical Services Agency to designate trauma centers as part of the regional trauma care system. There are currently twelve non-County and two County-operated trauma centers in the County. The FY 2014-15 TCS Agreements provide funding to twelve non-County trauma centers under various payment terms that are funded by the following sources.

Measure B Funds

Measure B, passed by the voters on November 5, 2002, authorized the County to levy a tax on structural improvements within the County, in part, to provide funding to strengthen the Los Angeles County trauma network, particularly those trauma hospitals operated by the County, and if possible

expand it. Subsequent to Measure B's passage, the Board approved a proposal to allocate Measure B funds among the non-County trauma hospitals in proportion to the value of trauma-related care for uninsured patients. In addition, a payment to reimburse trauma hospitals for costs associated with serving as a base hospital in the Emergency Medical Services system was also approved.

On May 15, 2014, DHS sent an Initial IGT for FY 2014-15 in the amount of \$15.8 million to CDHCS to draw down Federal matching dollars for ten private hospitals. At the close of FY 2014-15, an encumbrance of \$12.2 million remained in the Measure B Fund for payment of the Final IGT to CDHCS for FY 2014-15. An Appropriation Adjustment is required to realign \$0.4 million within the Measure B Fund from Services & Supplies to Other Charges to cover the \$12.6 million Final IGT payment for FY 2014-15.

Maddy Funds and Richie Funds

The County has been receiving funds which are derived from additional penalties assessed on fines and bail forfeitures that the court collects for certain criminal offenses and motor vehicles violations. As permitted by California Government Code Section 76000.5 and H&S Code Section 1797.98a, these funds are placed in the County's Maddy Emergency Medical Services Fund (Maddy Fund) and used by DHS for trauma and emergency services. A portion of the money in the Maddy Fund is designated by statute for the support of pediatric trauma programs and are segregated in the Richie's Fund. The other Maddy Fund dollars are available to support trauma and emergency services provided by hospitals and physicians.

In accordance with state law, Maddy Fund dollars will be paid to offset a portion of unreimbursed indigent trauma days, and Richie's Fund dollars will be used to enhance pediatric trauma care.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved Exhibit I as to form.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Not applicable as these are extensions of current agreements.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommendations will provide the cash flow and funding to the non-County trauma centers to cover the costs of providing necessary trauma services and continue their participation in the trauma network.

Respectfully submitted,



Mitchell H. Katz, M.D.

Director

MHK:jw

Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office County Counsel Executive Office, Board of Supervisors

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES TRAUMA CENTER SERVICE AGREEMENT (TCSA) PROPOSED PAYMENTS FOR FY 2014-15

	(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)	(5)		(6)	(7)		(8)
Proposed Payments For FY 2014-15													
	<u>Claims</u> <u>Based</u>		Base Station		<u>Lump</u> <u>Sum</u>		Federal Match	1)+(2)+(3)+(4) <u>Subtotal</u> <u>e to FY 13-14</u> <u>Payment)</u>	<u>s</u>	County upplemental <u>Match</u>	ipplemental Payment		(5)+(6)+(7) <u>Grand</u> <u>Total</u>
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Private Hospitals

California Hospital Medical Center
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Children's Hospital LA
Henry Mayo Newhall Memorial
Providence Holy Cross Medical Center
Huntington Memorial Medical Center
Long Beach Memorial Medical Center
Northridge Hospital Medical Center
St. Francis Medical Center
St. Mary Medical Center
Subtotal

Public Hospitals

Antelope Valley Hospital Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center Subtotal

Grand Total

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

DEPT'S. 110

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

May 3, 2016

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER:

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. PLEASE CONFIRM THE ACCOUNTING ENTRIES AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

FY 2015-16

3 - VOTES

SOURCES

HEALTH SERVICES - MEASURE B - ADMINISTRATIVE
BW9-HS-5500-41010-41017

HEALTH SERVICES - MEASURE B - PRIVATE FACILITIES BW9-HS-2000-41010-41016 SERVICES & SUPPLIES DECREASE IN APPROPIRATION \$400,000

OTHER CHARGES
INCREASE IN APPROPIRATION

USES

\$400,000

SOURCES TOTAL: \$

400,000

USES TOTAL: \$

400,000

JUSTIFICATION

To realign \$0.4 million within Measure B Special Tax Fund from S&S to Other Charges to cover additional Inter-governmental Transfer (IGT) of funds totaling approximately \$12.6 million to California Department of Health Care Services (CDHCS) for Final FY 2014-15 payments to non-County trauma centers. This IGT will draw down Federal matching dollars of approximately \$12.6 million under the current State Plan Amendment for a total of \$25.1 million of enhanced Medi-Cal payments to be issued directly by CDHCS to ten non-County trauma centers.



AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE Mela Guerrero, Controller, DHS

BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S APPROVAL (AS REQUESTED/REVISED)

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LORI GLASGOW EXECUTIVE OFFICER

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR	ACTION	APPROVED AS REQUESTED
EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR	RECOMMENDATION	APPROVED AS REVISED
AUDITOR-CONTROLLER	BY Larlaw	CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER BY
B.A. NO. 179	April 15 20/6	AJRIL 22 20 16

	Agreement No.:
TRAUMA CENTER SERVI	CE AGREEMENT
Amendment No)
THIS AMENDMENT is made and entered	into this day of April, 2016,
By and between	COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (hereafter "County")
And	
	Business Address:
WHEREAS, reference is made to that cer Service Agreement," dated, and , and any amendments thereto (all he	further identified as Agreement No.
WHEREAS, it is the intent of the parties certain of its payment provisions; and	hereto to amend Agreement to modify
WHEREAS, Agreement provides that of Provisions, Paragraph 24, Merger Provision may which is formally approved and executed by the provided by	be made in the form of an Amendment
WHEREAS, Contractor warrants that it po personnel necessary to provide services con Agreement and consistent with the professional s	sistent with the requirements of this

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PARTIES HERETO AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. This Amendment shall be effective for services provided on or after July 1, 2014.
- 2. Exhibit B-1 shall be substituted for Exhibit B, and Exhibit B shall be deleted in its entirety. All reference in Agreement to Exhibit B shall be deemed to be references to Exhibit B-1.
- 3. The Parties acknowledge and agree that none of the financial provisions in the Agreement apply to services provided on or after July 1, 2015.
- 4. Except for the changes set forth hereinabove, Agreement shall not be changed in any respect by this Amendment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Amendment to be executed by the County's Director of Health Services or his authorized delegate and Contractor has caused this Amendment to be executed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, on the day, month, and year written above.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

		Ву:	Mitchell Katz Director of Health Services
		CON	TRACTOR
		Ву: _	Signature
		_	Printed Name
		_	Title
APP	ROVED AS TO FORM:		
	RY C. WICKHAM nty Counsel		
Ву	EDWARD A. MORRISSEY Principal Deputy County Counsel		

TRAUMA CENTER SERVICE AGREEMENT

EXHIBIT B-1 PROVISIONS FOR REIMBURSEMENT

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TRAUMA CENTER SERVICE AGREEMENT

<u>EXHIBIT B-1</u> PROVISIONS FOR REIMBURSEMENT

I. ELIGIBLE INDIGENT CARE FUNDING

Α. GENERAL REIMBURSEMENT CONDITIONS: The term described Exhibit only reimbursement in this is applicable to non-County trauma hospitals. County allocated certain monies as set forth herein to be used to pay Contractor for trauma care provided to eliqible patients during the term of this Agreement. For the term of this Agreement, funds and Hospital Services Account funds shall be deposited to the County administered Special Revenue Funds referenced in Paragraph I.C.2. of Exhibit B-These deposits, together with other funds, which County may at its sole discretion allocate to the account from time to time, shall be used to pay Contractor for trauma patient care.

Reimbursement to Contractor shall be provided from the Special Revenue Funds by County for the hospital component of treatment of trauma patients hereunder who are unable to pay for the treatment and for whom payment for such services has not been made and will not be made through private coverage or by any program funded in whole

in part by the federal or and/or State government. Contractor will determine and document persons who are eligible for services coverage hereunder. Only eligible patients (i.e., (1) those unable to pay for services, and (2) for whom there is no third-party coverage in part or in whole for trauma services provided), qualify under this funding program. No reimbursement shall be provided for patient care if the patient has the ability to pay for the service, but refuses or fails to pay for same. County responsible nor shall it pay for services hereunder if Contractor has failed to submit to any known third-party payer(s) for the patient, an accurate, complete, and timely billing, and for that reason has been denied payment by such payer(s). Nor shall reimbursement be due Contractor or paid by County hereunder for any patient care which is covered in, or the subject of reimbursement in, any other contract between Contractor and County.

To bill County, Contractor must at a minimum document that it has made reasonable efforts to secure payment from the patient by billing (at least monthly) for an additional period of no less than two (2) months after the date of discharge. Contractor must document that the person cannot afford to pay for the services provided by the Contractor;

and, it must also document that payment for the services will not be covered by third-party coverage or by any program funded in whole or in part by the federal government; and, that Contractor has not received payment for any portion of the amount billed.

County reimbursement is limited to trauma patients without the ability to pay for the services and for whom Contractor has made a reasonable, good faith effort to determine if there is a responsible private or public third-party source of payment, and there is no source of payment.

Contractor will continue to determine and document persons who are eligible for trauma care coverage hereunder in accordance with the procedures set forth in Attachment "B-1", Trauma Service County Eligibility ("TSCE") Protocol, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Attachment "B-1.1", Trauma Service County Eligibility ("TSCE") Agreement form shall be utilized by Contractor as the sole means for determining each patient's eligibility for trauma care coverage during the term of this Agreement. The TSCE Agreement form must be completed and signed by the patient or the patient's responsible relative(s). If a TSCE Agreement form cannot be secured because the patient

or the patient's responsible relative(s) is (are) unable to cooperate in providing the necessary financial information, then a Contractor certification to that effect (Attachment "B-1.2", Hospital Certification of Inability to Cooperate form) must be completed. The original (or electronic scan) of each such form must be maintained by Contractor as part of its financial records. Contractor shall submit a copy of the applicable form to the County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency as stated in Attachment "B-4", Instructions for Submission of Claims and Data Collection.

Documentation establish that to Contractor has complied with the aforementioned patient eligibility requirements must be maintained by Contractor and made available upon request, pursuant to Paragraph 5, of the Additional Provisions Exhibit of this Agreement, authorized County or State representatives for inspection, audit, and photocopying.

During the term of this Agreement, as required by Section 16818 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, (W&IC) Contractor shall continue to provide, at the time treatment is sought by a patient at its facility, individual notice of the availability of reduced cost hospital care under this Agreement. Additionally, Contractor shall post, in

conspicuous places in its emergency department and patient waiting rooms, notices of the procedures for applying for reduced cost hospital care hereunder. The approved "Notice" language is reflected in English in Attachment "B-2" and in Spanish in Attachment "B-3".

B. PAYMENT FOR CONTRACTOR SERVICES:

- 1. County agrees under the following conditions to reimburse Contractor for the hospital component of trauma services to eligible trauma patients described in Paragraph I.A. of Exhibit B-1, within forty-five (45) days of receipt of a valid claim:
 - a. Reimbursement by County shall be limited to payment for the hospital component of trauma services provided to eligible indigent patients for whom Contractor is required to complete a Trauma Patient Summary ("TPS") form, Attachment "D-2", of Agreement.
 - b. Contractor shall submit required forth in Attachment "B-4", reports set as Instructions for Submission of Claims and Data Collection, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference to County's Emergency Medical Services Agency, 10100 Pioneer Boulevard, Suite

200, Santa Fe Springs, California 90670, for trauma care provided under the terms of this Agreement, and this care shall be reimbursed by County pursuant to subparagraphs I.B.1.d. and f. of Exhibit B-1.

Reimbursement by County shall be limited to the hospital component of trauma services provided to eligible indigent patients during the term of this Agreement. Reimbursement shall only be made on claims for which all required data is in the Trauma and Emergency Medicine Information System (TEMIS) and which has been submitted as required by reporting procedures reflected in Attachment Reimbursement to Contractor and other contract trauma service hospitals shall be made from the Special Revenue Funds. All Contractor claims for services provided during the second six months of the County Fiscal Year (January 2015 - June 2015) must be received by County within four (4) months after the close of this contract period (June 30, 2015), no later than the last working day of October 2015.

d. Following receipt of all of the required reports and billings from Contractor and other contract trauma service hospitals subject to the funding provision below, County payment hereunder for the hospital component of services provided trauma bу Contractor eligible trauma patients, as defined hereunder, shall be based on the following all-inclusive rates:

<u>FY 2014-15</u> (July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015)

- \$ 6,425 per emergency department visit and
 assessment. (No such fee will be paid if
 the patient is admitted to the hospital as
 an inpatient from the emergency department.)
- \$12,471 for the first inpatient day; and
- \$ 5,417 for the second inpatient day; and
- \$ 4,283 for the third inpatient day; and
- \$ 4,283 for the fourth inpatient day; and
- \$ 3,023 for each day thereafter.

These payments will be the maximum amounts payable to Contractor for care hereunder, with aggregate payment for all Contractors for services provided during the term of

this Agreement until the allocated funds set forth in Paragraph I.C. of this Exhibit are exhausted.

- Once the medical condition of a trauma patient has stabilized, Contractor may contact the County's Medical Alert Center or other personnel as designated by County to request transfer of the trauma patient in accordance with County patient transfer procedures and priority criteria as approved by Director. Until the occurs, County's responsibility transfer reimbursement Contractor for to medically necessary services shall continue as described herein.
- f. and all payments received by Any Contractor from a trauma patient or from thirdparty payers, or both, for claims previously billed to the County, must be immediately reported to the County. If Contractor previously received payment from the County for such claims, the Contractor must immediately submit a refund of County's payment to the Special Funds Section, 313 North Figueroa Street, Room 505, Los Angeles, California 90012. A TRAUMA HOSPITAL

REFUND FORM (Attachment B-6) must be completed and submitted for each refund. All such refunds received by County will be deposited to Special Revenue Funds. If Contractor has not received payment from the County for such claims, withdraw the Contractor must the claim notifying the EMS Agency Reimbursement Coordinator at 10100 Pioneer Boulevard, 200, Santa Fe Springs, California 90670. Τf County payment is in transit at the time οf notification, Contractor shall refund such payment to County.

Director, at his/her discretion, deduct from payments due to Contractor any prior overpayments made under this Agreement which were paid due to County's or to Contractor's clerical resulted error or which from Contractor's subsequent receipt of payment from the patient or shall furnish third-party payer(s). County itemization Contractor with an of such deductions, which will include the identity of the patient(s) for whose care overpayment was made, amounts of overpayment, and the basis for

the finding of overpayment.

h. Upon payment of claim to Contractor by County for a trauma patient's care, and assignment and subrogation to County of any and all rights to collection as set forth herein, Contractor shall cease all current and waive all future collection efforts, by itself and by its contractors/agents, to obtain any payment from the patient.

Contractor shall pursue reimbursement from third Medi-Cal, party coverage such as Medicare, government programs, or other health insurance if they become aware of coverage. Contractor shall, verification of such third party coverage, submit a bill for its services to the third party. As soon as payment is received, Contractor shall reimburse County any payment received under the Trauma Center Service Agreement (TCSA) for that patient. Contractor agrees to assign and subrogate all rights that they may have against any patient, his/her responsible relative, any third party tortfeasor for reimbursement as a result of care and services provided by Contractor for which a claim has been paid by County under the TCSA.

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sole discretion, County and/or its Contractor may independently against proceed such parties for reimbursement to the extent permitted by law. The rights hereby assigned and subrogated to County under this provision include reimbursement up to the full amount of usual and customary fees, (including, for example, billed charges) for patient care and services regardless of any amount the Contractor has received under the TCSA. In the event Contractor is contacted by other third party's representative (e.g., insurance claim adjuster) or a patient's attorney regarding pending litigation, Contractor shall indicate that the claim for services provided to their client is assigned and subrogated to the County and refer designated County representative to the contact. Contractor shall reasonably cooperate with County in its collection efforts. In the event Contractor receives payment from a patient's attorney for a lien behalf the County, filed on of Contractor shall reimburse such payment to the County.

Examples of when these County collection efforts might occur would include, but not necessarily be limited to, situations where there are third-party

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tortfeasors responsible for a patient's medical expenses.

For trauma patients admitted to Contractor's facility prior to or on the last day during the term of this Agreement, and remaining in the hospital after that date, reports and billings to County shall be submitted only after patient has been discharged, (no partial billings). Payment by County to Contractor for such patients shall be at the rates in effect on the date of admission. Said reports and billings shall be on forms, and completed in such detail and with such attachments in accordance with procedures prescribed in writing by Director in Attachment "B-4".

Contractor hereby acknowledges receipt of such forms, attachments, and procedures. Claims for services provided between July 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014 shall be submitted to the County's EMS Agency by the last working day of April 2015. Claims for services provided between January 1, 2015 and June 30, 2015 shall be submitted to County's EMS Agency no later than the last working day of October 2015.

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- i. Any funds received by the County, pursuant to Paragraph I.B.1.h., shall be deposited into the Special Revenue Funds.
- 2. All required reports and billings submitted by Contractor shall be rendered in the name of Contractor as said name appears upon the upper portion of the first page of this Agreement.
- 3. Contractor shall maintain and upon request make available to State or County representatives records of all of the financial information referenced in this Paragraph, including records of patient and third-party payer payments, all in accordance with Paragraph 5, of the Additional Provisions Exhibit of this Agreement.
- 4. County may periodically conduct an audit of the Contractor's records. Audits shall be performed in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. The audit may be conducted on a statistically random sample of claims from the adjudicated universe for a fiscal year. The scope of the audit shall include an examination of patient medical and financial records, patient/insurance billing records, and collection agency reports associated with the sampled claims.

Audited paid claims that do not comply with program requirements shall result in a refund to the Special Revenue Funds. Any audited claim which is in violation of the Contract terms and conditions shall result in the Contractor refunding to the County the claim amount plus a penalty of fifty percent (50%) of the amount paid for that claim. Audit results may be appealed to the EMS Agency Director, or his/her designee.

Audited unpaid claims that do not comply with program requirements shall result in an adjustment in hospital's subsequent year's Lump-Sum Funding allocation.

C. CLAIMS-BASED FUNDING:

- 1. The Parties agree that the claims based payments in paragraph I.B.1.d above shall be made, in part, using revenue generate by Measure B Trauma property Assessment (TPA) Funds as allocated by the County Board of Supervisors, and the Maddy Fund. The Parties acknowledge and agree that there are adequate amounts of money from these sources which were set aside for this FY to assure that all claims submitted for this FY are paid.
 - 2. All funds collected, including audit claim penalties, shall be deposited to the County Special Revenue Funds and utilized to make payments to all County contract

trauma service hospitals at the rates set forth in subparagraph I.B.1.d. of Exhibit B-1.

- All County contract trauma hospital claims shall be paid on a first-come, first-validated basis, until all allocated funds are disbursed. All funds shall be forty-five (45) disbursed within days of receipt of validated claims by County for Contractor services performed hereunder during the term of this Agreement, all pursuant to the rate schedule identified in subparagraph I.B.1.d. of Exhibit B-1.
- 4. "Claims" for purposes of the above means validated claims at the rate defined herein. In no event, however, shall the total disbursement under this Paragraph to Contractor for a claim exceed Contractor's aggregate charges for the services provided (based upon Contractor's customary rates in effect on the dates of service).
- D. <u>BILLING AND PAYMENT PHYSICIAN SERVICES</u>: A copy of the revised Trauma Physician Services Program packet for County Fiscal Years 2013-14 through 2015-16, Attachment "B-5", is attached and incorporated herein by reference. The packet for future Fiscal Years shall be provided to Contractor as soon as available thereafter. To permit its physicians to bill County for the professional component of

un-reimbursed trauma services furnished to Contractor's trauma patients during the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall furnish members of its physician staff providing such services with a copy of said packet.

Upon request, Director shall provide Contractor with reports showing total aggregate payments to trauma physicians reimbursed by County for the professional component of un-reimbursed trauma services provided to Contractor during the term of this Agreement.

- E. <u>RECOVERY OF PAYMENT</u>: County shall recover monies paid to Contractor hereunder for any of the reasons which follow:
 - 1. Contractor fails to furnish patient specific data and reports required by this Agreement or by the State, or by both. County shall recover all funds paid to Contractor for that patient.
 - 2. Funds are used for patients deemed ineligible under this Agreement. County shall recover all amounts paid to Contractor for such patients.
 - 3. Contractor has failed to submit to any known third-party payer(s) for the patient, an accurate, complete, and timely billing, and for that reason has been denied payment by such payer(s). County shall

recover all amounts paid to Contractor for that patient.

- 4. Contractor had knowledge of a third party tortfeasor and failed to file a lien against such third party. County shall recover all amounts paid to Contractor for such patients, except as set forth in Paragraph I.B.1.h. of Exhibit B-1.
- 5. Any funds recovered by the County pursuant to Paragraph I.E. shall be deposited into the Special Revenue Funds.

II. <u>LUMP SUM FUNDING FOR CONTINUED ACCESS TO EMERGENCY CARE</u> FOR MEDI-CAL BENEFICIARIES

The parties acknowledge that a State Plan Amendment (SPA) effective July 1, 2003, was approved by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The SPA enables private trauma hospitals in Los Angeles County to receive enhanced Medi-Cal payments, including federal matching funds upon payment by the County of an intergovernmental transfer (IGT) of funds pursuant to Section 14087.3 of the W&IC. Pursuant to the SPA and a related interagency agreement between the County and the California Department of Health Care Services (CDHCS), the IGT and federal matching funds

are distributed among the County-designated private trauma hospitals in a lump sum amount to ensure continued access by Medi-Cal beneficiaries to trauma and emergency room care in the County.

acknowledge and parties agree that on-going impending discussions regarding the effect of the Affordable Care Act upon patient care providers may affect the conditions and requirements under the current SPA. The parties agree that the County may not be able to disburse these funds to the providers or submit for enhanced Medi-Cal payments, including federal matching funds.

Except for Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center and Antelope Valley Hospital, it is the intent of the County and the County shall recommend to the State that payment to each Trauma Center be the amounts set forth below, which include both funding from the County's IGT and allowable federal matching funds. Such payment shall be made pursuant to a separate agreement between the Trauma Center and the State or its intermediary, subject to the limitations set forth in the SPA.

The aggregate final amounts to be recommended for each private Trauma Center are as follows:

California Hospital Medical Center \$11,942,054

Cedars-Sinai Medical Center \$ 4,954,538					
Children's Hospital LA	\$ 1,747,862				
Henry Mayo Newhall Memorial Med. Ctr.	\$ 1,804,378				
Providence Holy Cross Medical Center	\$10,052,124				
Huntington Memorial Medical Center	\$ 636,084				
Long Beach Memorial Medical Center	\$ 5,707,438				
Northridge Hospital Medical Center	\$ 2,288,438				
St. Francis Medical Center	\$ 8,827,584				
St. Mary Medical Center	\$ 2,573,124				

The Contractor may have already received part of these funds as interim payments.

Contractor acknowledges that the amounts payable under the SPA are limited to the uncompensated costs of providing outpatient hospital services of all eligible private trauma hospitals in Los Angeles County and is also limited by the State's upper payment limit, as established in 42 C.F.R. Section 447.321. To the extent that either or both limits preclude the State from paying all of the aggregate amounts set forth below, the amount to be recommended by the County for each Trauma Center shall be reduced by the same percentage as the percentage of total allowable supplemental payments is to total recommended supplemental Medical payments to all Trauma Centers.

Due to their status as public institutions, Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center and Antelope Valley Hospital may not receive the same enhanced Medi-Cal payments as the private Trauma Centers. Instead the County shall make the following payments directly to those hospitals:

Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center \$2,717,348

Antelope Valley Hospital \$933,838

Such payments shall be made at or about the same time that the IGTs for the private Trauma Centers are sent to the State. A portion of these amounts has already been paid to the public hospitals.

III. FUNDING FOR BASE HOSPITAL SERVICES FOR CONTINUED ACCESS TO EMERGENCY CARE FOR MEDI-CAL BENEFICIARIES:

To account for the special costs incurred for those Contractors providing base hospital services and to ensure the continued access by Medi-Cal beneficiaries to emergency rooms and emergency room care in the County by maintaining efficient prehospital transport of all patients to the most appropriate emergency room, the County will recommend that to the State that it make a supplemental payment in the amount of \$693,518 per private trauma hospital pursuant to pg. 51a of Attachment 4.19B of the State Plan. (However, no such payment shall be made to

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Children's Hospital Los Angeles, which does not provide base hospital services.) This supplemental payment is in addition to the amounts set forth in Paragraph II above. The County has made an IGT of a majority of this amount and the State has, as of March, 2016, made a supplemental payment for base hospital services to the private trauma centers on an interim basis. The County intends to make to the State a full IGT equal to the nonfederal share of such recommended payments, subject to Paragraph IV below.

Due to their status as public institutions, Ronald Reagan

UCLA Medical Center and Antelope Valley Hospital may not receive

these supplemental Medi-Cal payments under the State Plan.

Accordingly, the County will directly pay each of those

hospitals the amount of \$693,517. A majority of such amount

has, as of March 2016 been paid to Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical

Center and Antelope Valley Hospital. The remaining balance will

be paid at or about the same time as County makes its IGT

payment to the State.

IV. POTENTIAL IGT FOR FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS:

The County may recommend that (1) the Lump Sum Funding stated above in paragraph II hereinabove, and (2) the Base Hospital Services Funding allocations, for the private Trauma Centers be transferred to the State as an IGT, to obtain

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enhanced trauma payments to be paid through the Medi-Cal program to include federal matching funds, and funded through an IGT.

The parties acknowledge and agree that some or all of the TGT which the County intends to make to effectuate the provisions of this Agreement may not be capable of drawing down federal matching funds under the SPA. To the extent that is true, the parties agree that the County shall have no obligation to make an IGT of such amounts and shall instead provide such funds directly to the private Trauma Centers. The amount of such direct payment shall not exceed the County funding used to calculate the payment amounts in Paragraphs II and III above.

V. FUNDING FOR PEDIATRIC TRAUMA CENTERS:

The parties acknowledge that Chapter 841 of the Statutes of 2006, authorized the County Board of Supervisors (Board), until December 31, 2008, to elect to levy an additional penalty in the amount of \$2 for every \$10, upon fines, penalties, forfeitures collected for specific criminal offenses. authority was subsequently extended to December 31, 2013 by Chapter 288 of the Statutes of 2008. New legislation (SB 191) 5, 2013 was chaptered October and Section 76000.5 Government Code was amended extending these provisions through January 1, 2017.

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SB 1773 and the subsequent SB 191 further authorized the Board to utilize fifteen percent (15%) of the funds collected pursuant to these provisions (known as Richie's fund) to provide funding to enhance pediatric trauma services by both publicly and privately owned and operated Pediatric Trauma Centers (PTCs) throughout the County.

Since the Board's implementation of SB 1773 in March 2007 and in accordance with the legislation, Richie's Fund was allocated to Northridge Hospital Medical Center (NHMC) which established a PTC in the San Fernando Valley, and the existing (County and Non-County) PTCs for expansion of pediatric trauma Actual FY 2013-14 Richie Fund collections plus care services. interest available for allocation to PTCs in FY 2014-15 are \$1,888,951.02, of which \$1.0 million is allocated to NHMC to help defray the operating losses of its PTC. The remaining balance of \$888,951.02 is allocated to all other PTCs listed below based on the percentage of pediatric trauma provided by each PTC, as compared to the aggregate pediatric trauma volume of all County and non-County PTCs in Los Angeles LAC+USC Medical Center, \$312,931.31; Harbor-UCLA County: Medical Center, \$241,506.92; Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, \$19,526.10; Children's Hospital Los Angeles, \$193,205.54; Long Beach Memorial Hospital, \$101,227.37; and The Regents of The

University of California, a California Corporation, on behalf of The University of California Los Angeles (i.e. Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center), \$20,553.78.

All PTCs were notified of actual allocations on October 6, 2014, and payments were issued on September 30, 2014.VI. Effective Dates

The provisions of this Exhibit B-1 shall only apply to trauma services provided on or after July 1, 2014 and before July 1, 2015.

Agreement No.:					
TRAUMA CENTER SER	RVICE AGREEMENT				
Amendme	ent No.				
THIS AMENDMENT is made and ente, 2016,	red into this day of				
By and between	COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (hereafter "County"),				
And	(hereafter "Contractor")				
	Business Address:				
Service Agreement," dated June 17, 2008,	certain document entitled "Trauma Center and further identified as Agreement No. hereafter referred to as "Agreement") and,				
WHEREAS, it is the intent of the partie	s hereto to amend Agreement to extend its				

WHEREAS, Agreement provides that changes in accordance to Additional Provisions, Paragraph 24, Merger Provision may be made in the form of an Amendment

term and to provide for the other changes set forth herein; and

which is formally approved and executed by the parties; and

WHEREAS, Contractor warrants that it possesses the competence, expertise and personnel necessary to provide services consistent with the requirements of this Agreement and consistent with the professional standard of care for these services.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PARTIES HERETO AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. This Amendment shall commence and be effective upon Board approval with such date shown on page 1 of this Amendment.
- 2. Agreement, Paragraph 1, Term, Subparagraph A is deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

- "A. The term of this Agreement shall commence and be effective July 1, 2008, and shall remain in full force and effect through to and including December 31, 2016. In any event, County may terminate this Agreement in accordance with the Termination Paragraphs of the Additional Provisions hereunder."
- 3. Except for the changes set forth hereinabove, Agreement shall not be changed in any respect by this Amendment.

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

	COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
	By: Mitchell H. Katz, M.D. Director of Health Services
	CONTRACTOR
	By:Signature
	Signature
	Printed Name
	Title
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
MARY C. WICKHAM County Counsel	
ByEdward A. Morrissey, Principal Deputy	County Counsel