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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVAL TO RENEW 26 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH  
PHARMACY AGREEMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-15  
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)  
(3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

Request approval to renew 26 pharmacy agreements for dispensing medication to Department of Mental Health clients throughout Los Angeles County.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Approve and authorize the Director of Mental Health (Director), or his designee, to prepare, sign, and execute the renewal of 26 pharmacy agreements, substantially similar to Attachment I, with the contractors listed in Attachment II, for a period of one year, beginning July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015, with the option to extend the agreements on a month-to-month basis for up to six months, beginning July 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015, to dispense medication to the Department of Mental Health (DMH) clients in Los Angeles County. The estimated annual cost of the 26 pharmacy agreement renewals is \$8,945,783, funded by 2011 Realignment and State Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) revenue.
2. Delegate authority to the Director, or his designee, to prepare, sign, and execute future amendments to these agreements, provided that: 1) any revision will reflect programmatic and/or policy and new agreement changes; 2) your Board has appropriated sufficient funds for all changes; 3) approval as to form by County Counsel, or his designee, is obtained prior to execution of any such amendments; and 4) the Director, or his designee, notifies your Board and the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of agreement changes in writing within 30 days after execution of each agreement or

amendment.

3. Delegate authority to the Director, or his designee, to terminate agreements with pharmacies upon their request, or for those that have closed, changed ownership, or choose not to acquire or maintain Surescripts certified pharmacy management software for the purposes of receiving electronic prescriptions submitted by County prescribers. The Director, or his designee, will notify your Board of such terminations in writing within 30 days after execution of each termination.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Board approval of the recommended actions will renew pharmacy agreements expiring on June 30, 2014, in order to continue dispensing medication to clients from contractors' own stock supply. Furthermore, Board approval will allow the Department to amend agreements as the need arises.

The short renewal term is necessary so that DMH may continue to dispense medication to clients without interruption until DMH concludes a Request for Proposal (RFP) solicitation bid process for a Pharmacy Benefit Management (PBM) agreement. It is anticipated the PBM RFP process will conclude in Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-15, at which time the PBM Company will assume responsibility for administration of DMH's prescription drug program.

A contract with a PBM is necessary because DMH's existing legacy mainframe-based Mental Health Management Information System (MHMIS) and the web-based "wrapper" of the MHMIS known as the Integrated System for claims processing functions will soon be replaced by the Integrated Behavioral Health Information System (IBHIS). The existing Prescription Authorization and Tracking System (PATS) is interfaced with and dependent on MHMIS and will be shut down once IBHIS is fully implemented.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The recommended actions are consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal 3, Integrated Services Delivery.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The total estimated cost of these 26 pharmacy agreement renewals in FY 2014-15 is \$8,945,783, funded by 2011 Realignment and State MHSA revenue, and is included in the Department's FY 2014-15 CEO Recommended Budget. Funding for future fiscal years will be requested through DMH's annual budget process.

There is no increase in net County cost associated with the above recommendations.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The renewal of the 26 pharmacy agreements, listed on Attachment II, is a critical component in the delivery of mental health services, as prescribed medications play a vital role in the treatment of mental health clients. Psychiatrists in contracted and directly operated mental health programs write prescriptions which are filled by local pharmacies.

The Agreement format includes revised or Board mandated provisions: Term of Contract, Termination Without Cause, Description of Services, Indemnification and Insurance, Nondiscrimination in Employment, Program Supervision, Monitoring and Review, Conflict of Interest, Termination for Convenience, Subcontracting, Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Contractor's Exclusion from Participation in a Federally Funded Program, Business Associate Agreement under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996, Background and Security Investigations, Time Off for Voting, Data Destruction and Public Records Act. The attached Agreement format has been approved as to form by County Counsel. The CEO has reviewed the proposed actions.

Clinical and administrative staff of DMH will continue to administer and monitor contractors' adherence to the agreements to ensure quality services are provided to clients. As mandated by your Board, DMH evaluates the performance of all contractors on an annual basis to ensure contractors are in compliance with all contract terms and performance standards.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Approval of the Board letter to renew the existing 26 pharmacy agreements, which will expire on June 30, 2014, will allow the continuation of services to Los Angeles County residents until the pending RFP solicitation process for a PBM concludes. Upon implementation of services by the new PBM Company, DMH will terminate its pharmacy agreements with the existing DMH network of pharmacy providers.

The agreements will have a one-year term, beginning July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015, with an option to extend the agreements on a month-to-month basis for up to six months, beginning July 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Board approval of the renewal agreements will allow existing contractors to continue dispensing medication to DMH clients from their own stock supply.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

6/4/2014

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Respectfully submitted, MARVIN J.  
SOUTHARD, D.S.W., Director

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MARVIN J. SOUTHARD, D.S.W.

Director of Mental Health

MJS:MM:RS:RK:pd

Enclosures

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

CONTRACTOR:

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Contract Number

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Reference Number(s)

Business Address:

\_\_\_\_\_

Supervisory District(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Mental Health Service Area(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**PHARMACY AGREEMENT**

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EXHIBIT(S)

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- C. Contractor Non-Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement
- D. Attestation Regarding Federally Funded Programs
- E. Fact Sheet on "Safely Surrendered Baby Law"
- F. Service Delivery Site(s)
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**PHARMACY AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_, 2014 by and between the County of Los Angeles (hereafter referred to as "County") and

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (hereafter referred to as "Contractor")

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, County desires to enter into an Agreement with Contractor whereby Contractor will provide services as outlined in the attached Service Exhibit for mentally ill adult clients in Los Angeles County who qualify for services which Contractor is equipped, staffed, and prepared to provide; and

WHEREAS, the objective of such services is to provide suitable care for clients no longer requiring hospitalization related to their mental illness and to provide alternatives to hospitalization; and

WHEREAS, basic care and supervision shall meet the requirements for licensure as a community care facility as defined in Section 1502 of the Health and Safety Code and in accordance Title 22, Division 6, of the California Code of Regulations hereafter referred to as "Code"; and

WHEREAS, the County will reimburse Contractor for such services to mentally ill adult clients referred by the County for whom there is a determined need in accordance with Paragraph 5 (PAYMENT); and

WHEREAS, the County will reimburse Contractor as appropriate for life support services with interim placement funding until clients or Contractor begins receiving Supplemental Social Security Income payment or other third-party payment to cover such services; and

WHEREAS, as contemplated herein, Contractor shall provide basic services to clients referred by County Department of Mental Health in accordance with the requirements of the Title 22, Division 6, of the California Code of Regulations, hereafter referred to as "Code"; and



WHEREAS, Contractor acknowledges and accepts that County has no obligation, legal or contractual, to refer or to place clients in any or all of Contractor's programs; and

WHEREAS, County believes it is in the best interest of the people of the County of Los Angeles to provide these services by contract; and

WHEREAS, the term "Director" as used herein refers to County's Director of Mental Health or his authorized designee; and

WHEREAS, the term "fiscal year" as used herein refers to County's fiscal year which commences July 1<sup>st</sup> and ends the following June 30<sup>th</sup>.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

**1. TERM OF CONTRACT:**

1.1 The term of this Agreement shall commence on July 1, 2014 and shall continue in full force and effect through June 30, 2015.

1.2 Extension Period(s): After the Initial Period stated in Section 1.1, this Agreement may be extended by DMH, in its sole discretion, for up to six additional one-month terms, unless the desire of either party to terminate this Agreement is given in writing to the other party thirty days prior to termination.

(1) First Extension Period: If this Agreement is extended, the First Extension Period shall commence on July 1, 2015 and shall continue in full force and effect through July 31, 2015.

(2) Second Extension Period: If this Agreement is extended, the Second Extension Period shall commence on August 1, 2015 and shall continue in full force and effect through August 31, 2015.

(3) Third Extension Period: If this Agreement is extended, the Third Extension Period shall commence on September 1, 2015 and shall continue in full force and effect through September 30, 2015.

(4) Fourth Extension Period: If this Agreement is extended, the Fourth Extension Period shall commence on October 1, 2015 and shall continue in full force and effect through October 31, 2015.

(5) Fifth Extension Period: If this Agreement is extended, the Fourth Extension Period shall commence on November 1, 2015 and shall continue in full force and effect through November 30, 2015.

(6) Sixth Extension Period: If this Agreement is extended, the Fourth Extension Period shall commence on December 1, 2015 and shall continue in full force and effect through December 31, 2015.

1.3 Six Months Notification of Agreement Expiration: Contractor shall notify County when this Agreement is within six (6) months of expiration. Contractor shall send such notice to those persons and addresses which are set forth in Paragraph 72 (NOTICES).

1.4 Contractor Alert Reporting Database (CARD): The County maintains databases that track/monitor contractor performance history. Information entered into such databases may be used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether the County will exercise a contract term extension option.

1.5 Termination:

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Paragraph, the failure of Contractor or its officers, agents, or employees to comply with the terms of this Agreement or any directions by or on behalf of County issued pursuant thereto shall constitute a material breach hereof and the Agreement may be terminated immediately.

(2) Failure to provide or bill for services to DMH clients for a period of twelve consecutive months will result in the automatic termination of this Agreement, which shall be effective upon written notice to Contractor by DMH. County's failure to exercise this right of termination shall not constitute waiver of such right, which may be exercised at any subsequent time.

(3) In the event of termination of the Interim Funding portion of this Agreement and upon receipt by Contractor of notice of termination, Contractor shall make immediate and appropriate plans to transfer or refer all clients treated under this Agreement to other agencies for continuing care in accordance with the clients' needs. Such plans shall be approved by the Director or his authorized designee, except in such instances, as determined by Contractor, where an immediate client transfer or

referral is indicated. In such instances, Contractor may make an immediate transfer or referral.

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

2. **TERMINATION WITHOUT CAUSE:** This Agreement may be terminated by either party at any time without cause by giving at least 30 calendar days prior written notice to the other party. County may also terminate this Agreement immediately if County determines that any Federal, State, and/or County funds are not budgeted or available for this Agreement or any portion hereof. Any termination of this Agreement by County pursuant to this Paragraph 2 shall be approved by County's Board of Supervisors.

3. **IMMEDIATE TERMINATION BY COUNTY:**

A. In addition to any other provisions for termination provided in this Agreement, this Agreement may be terminated by County immediately if County determines that:

(1) Contractor has failed to initiate delivery of services within 30 calendar days of the commencement date of this Agreement; or

(2) Contractor has failed to comply with any of the provisions of Paragraphs 12 (INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE), 13 (NONDISCRIMINATION IN SERVICES), 14 (NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT), 24 (CERTIFICATION OF DRUG-FREE WORK PLACE), 30 (DELEGATION AND ASSIGNMENT), 33 (CONFLICT OF INTEREST), 41 (SUBCONTRACTING), 44 (CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM), 51 (CONTRACTOR'S EXCLUSION FROM PARTICIPATION IN A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM), 52 (WARRANTY AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES) and/or 65 (CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM); or

(3) In accordance with Paragraphs 35 (TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT), 36 (TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION), 37 (TERMINATION FOR INSOLVENCY), 56

(COUNTY LOBBYISTS), and/or 66 (TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM).

**4. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:**

A. Properly valid licensed pharmacists employed by Contractor shall prepare and dispense drugs and medications to such County patients in accordance with accepted pharmaceutical standards prevailing in the community. Contractor shall be required to maintain Surescripts certified pharmacy management software with electronic prescribing (e-prescribing) functionality enabled OR register with Surescripts for electronic faxing to receive electronic prescriptions (e-prescriptions) transmitted to Contractor by County prescribers. E-prescriptions will be transmitted for consumers who have health insurance, e.g. Medi-Cal, Medi-Cal HMO, Medicare Part D, private health insurance, or any other third-party payor.

B. Before dispensing medications to consumers who have no health insurance, Contractor shall verify the accuracy of prescription details entered into the Department of Mental Health (DMH) Prescription Authorization Tracking System (PATS), ensure authorization for all prescriptions printed from the VeriFone system, and retain documentation records as follows:

(1) Copy or facsimile of the handwritten PATS prescription with the prescriber's/furnisher's original signature; or

(2) Print out of the DMH Integrated Systems "Medications Write RX" or "Medications Current" screen with the prescriber's/furnisher's original signature; or

(3) Documentation of verbal confirmation provided by clinic staff of the accuracy of the PATS prescription.

C. Contractor shall dispense medications and drugs pursuant to this Agreement only to consumers who have health insurance and whose prescriptions are transmitted electronically or who have no health insurance and present a valid DMH PATS card. The Contract pharmacies shall maintain an adequate inventory of the DMH formulary medications necessary to fill these prescriptions. If Contractor is out of stock, or does not have enough medication for a full prescription, it will do one of the following:

(1) Order necessary medication and have in stock within 24 hours (unless weekend or holiday).

(2) Give patient note or indicate on prescription label amount of medication owed (short).

(3) Return prescriptions to the PATS system and allow consumer to go to another contract Pharmacyor, for insured clients with e-prescriptions, transfer the prescription to another pharmacy of the consumer's choice.

D. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as excusing either party from the duty of reasonable inspection and inquiry in regard to any drugs and medication used in the performance of this Agreement.

E. The following language applies only to Contractors found eligible to provide mental health services claimable under the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA): Contractor has been found eligible to provide mental health services claimable as MHSA services. Contractor has demonstrated experience and training in its specialized field and has submitted to the County a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) in response to County's Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) for the provision of such services, and Contractor has met the minimum qualifications listed in the RFSQ and has been selected for recommendation for placement on a MHSA Master Agreement eligibility list. Placement on the Master Agreement eligibility list does not guarantee that Contractor will be selected to provide mental health services claimable as MHSA services. In order to provide mental health services claimable as MHSA services, a provider must have been selected to provide MHSA services pursuant to a Request for Services.

**5. PAYMENT:**

A. For branded medications, County shall reimburse Contractor at the Wholesale Acquisition Cost (WAC) plus 3.75%. For generic medications, County shall reimburse Contractor at the Federal Upper Limit (FUL), at 1.5 times the Wholesale Acquisition Cost (WAC), or at the Average Wholesale Price (AWP) minus 13.5%, whichever is lowest. County will pay Contractor a \$5.35 dispensing fee for each prescription dispensed. Reimbursement rates are subject to modification by

County as changes in industry drug pricing standards or other marketplace events occur. Pharmacies shall use only generic medications that are "A" or "AB" rated in the Federal Drug Administration's APPROVED DRUG PRODUCT WITH THERAPEUTIC EQUIVALENTS manual also known as the "Orange Book."

(1) Definition of "Prescription" for which DMH will reimburse for the purpose of this Agreement is the printed form that is generated from the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH) Prescription Authorization Tracking System (PATS), which utilizes a VeriFone machine for retrieval of prescriptions. In addition, paper prescriptions may be authorized from time to time by LACDMH's Pharmacy Services, pursuant to special circumstances, including system failures or technical issues.

(2) At the first of each month, the County will mail to each Contractor a PATS statement, which lists by date all the prescriptions dispensed by the Contractor for LACDMH consumers who have no health insurance and the reimbursement due. Any discrepancies found in this statement must be brought to the County's attention for correction within 60 days of statement date. Within a reasonable period of time, the County shall make payment in accordance with the rate of reimbursement.

(3) Contractors have up to a maximum of six (6) months from the date that prescriptions were filled and medications dispensed to LACDMH consumers to bill LACDMH for reimbursement. LACDMH will not pay Contractors for any late invoices submitted after the six-month limit from the date of dispensed medications.

(4) LACDMH is the payor of last resort. LACDMH is only responsible for consumers who have no health insurance. If the consumer has other health insurance, e.g., Medi-Cal, Medi-Cal HMO, Medicare Part D, private health insurance, or any other third-party payor, it must be billed first for the pharmacy services, NOT LACDMH. It is the responsibility of Contractor to ensure that: 1) claims are billed appropriately by checking the monthly statement issued by LACDMH. Should billing errors be discovered, Contractor shall return funds for which claims were inappropriately submitted by issuing a refund check to the County within thirty (30) days upon receipt of notification from County; 2) a consumer's eligibility or ineligibility is verified for a Third-Party Insurer (e.g., Medi-Cal, Medi-Cal HMO,

Medicare Part D, private health insurance) prior to dispensing of medications. Should a consumer be covered by a Third-Party Insurer, Contractor shall not submit any claim to LACDMH; 3) proof of documentation relevant to the consumer's Medi-Cal eligibility status is obtained and maintained before billing LACDMH; and 4) employees are appropriately trained in use of the VeriFone system for submission or non-submission of claims. LACDMH reserves the right to recover funds for inappropriately billed claims by withholding payments or by requesting reimbursement from Contractor. Repeated improper billing practices may be cause for termination of the agreement.

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

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

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

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**6. LIMITATION OF PAYMENTS BASED ON FUNDING AND BUDGETARY RESTRICTIONS:**

A. This Agreement shall be subject to any restrictions, limitations, or conditions imposed by State which may in any way affect the provisions or funding of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, those contained in State's Budget Act.

B. This Agreement shall also be subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, or conditions imposed by the Federal government which may in any way affect the provisions or funding of this Agreement.

C. In the event that the County's Board of Supervisors adopts, in any fiscal year, a County Budget which provides for reductions in County contracts, the County reserves the right to unilaterally reduce its payment obligation under this Agreement to implement such Board reductions for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Agreement, and the services to be provided by the Contractor under this Agreement shall also be reduced correspondingly. The County's notice to the Contractor regarding said reduction in payment obligation shall be provided within 30 calendar days of the Board's approval of such action. Except as set forth above in this Paragraph 6 the Contractor shall continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Agreement.

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

**7. ADMINISTRATION:** The Director of Mental Health (Director) shall have the authority to administer this Agreement on behalf of the County. All references to the actions or decisions to be made by the County in this Agreement shall be made by the Director unless otherwise expressly provided.

A. The Director may designate one or more persons to act as his/her designee for the purposes of administering this Agreement. Therefore "Director" shall mean "Director and/or his/her



designee.”

B. Contractor shall designate in writing a Contract Manager who shall function as liaison with County regarding Contractor's performance hereunder.

8. **PRIOR AGREEMENT(S) SUPERSEDED:** Reference is made to that (those) certain document(s) entitled:

| <u>TITLE</u> | <u>COUNTY AGREEMENT NUMBER</u> | <u>DATE OF EXECUTION</u> |
|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| N/A          | N/A                            | N/A                      |
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The parties agree that the provisions of such prior Agreement(s) and all Amendments thereto, shall be entirely superseded, as of date of execution by County's Board of Supervisors, by the provisions of this Agreement.

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

10. **WAIVER:** No waiver by County of any breach of any provision of this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any other breach of such provision. Failure of County to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver thereof. The rights and remedies set forth in this Paragraph 10 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

11. **PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND OUTCOME MEASURES:** The Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, State, and County policies and procedures relating to performance standards and outcome measures, including but not limited to those performance standards and outcome measures required by specific federal or State rules for entities receiving their funding.

Performance standards and/or outcome measures will be used as part of the determination of the effectiveness of the services delivered by Contractor.

**12. INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE:**

A. Indemnification: 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 Agreement, except for such loss or damage arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County Indemnitees.

B. General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage: Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County, and in the performance of this Agreement and until all of its obligations pursuant to this Agreement have been met, Contractor shall provide and maintain at its own expense insurance coverage satisfying the requirements specified in Subparagraphs B and C of this Paragraph 12. 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 Agreement. 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 Agreement.

1) Evidence of Coverage and Notice to County

(a) 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 Agreement.

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

(c) Certificates shall identify all Required Insurance coverage types and limits specified herein, reference this Agreement 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 Agreement. 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 (\$50,000.00) dollars, and list any County required endorsement forms.

(d) 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:

**Los Angeles County - Department of Mental Health  
Contracts Development and Administration Division  
550 S. Vermont Ave., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90020**

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 or any of its Sub-Contractors which arises from or relates to this Agreement, and could result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County.

2) Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage

The County of Los Angeles, its 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.

3) Cancellation of Insurance 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.

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 Agreement, upon which County immediately may withhold payments due to Contractor, and/or suspend or terminate this Agreement. 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.

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.

6) Contractor's Insurance Shall Be Primary

Contractor's insurance policies, with respect to any claims related to this Agreement, 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.

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 Agreement. The Contractor shall require its insurers to execute any waiver of subrogation endorsements which may be necessary to effect such waiver.

8) Subcontractor Insurance Coverage Requirements

Contractor shall include all Subcontractors as insureds under Contractor's own policies, or shall provide County with each Subcontractor's separate evidence of insurance coverage. Contractor shall be responsible for verifying each Subcontractor complies with the Required Insurance provisions herein, and shall require that each Subcontractor name the County and Contractor as additional insureds on the Subcontractor's General Liability policy. Contractor shall obtain County's prior review and approval of any Subcontractor request for modification of the Required Insurance.

9) 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.

10) 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 Agreement. Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following Agreement expiration, termination or cancellation.

11) Application of Excess Liability Coverage

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

12) 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.

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13) 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.

14) 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.

C. Insurance Coverage

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:

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

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 Agreement, including owned, leased, hired, and/or non-owned autos, as each may be applicable.

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.

4) Unique Insurance Coverage

(a) 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.

**13. NONDISCRIMINATION IN SERVICES:**

A. Contractor shall not discriminate in the provision of services hereunder because of race, religion, national origin, ancestry, gender, age, marital status, sexual orientation and/or physical or mental handicap or medical conditions (except to the extent clinically appropriate), in accordance with requirements of federal and State law. For the purpose of this Paragraph 13, discrimination in the provision of services may include, but is not limited to, the following: denying any person any service or benefit or the availability of a facility; providing any service or benefit to any person which is different or is provided in a different manner or at a different time from that provided to others; subjecting any person to segregation or separate treatment in any matter related to the receipt of any service; restricting any person in any way in the enjoyment of any advantage or privilege enjoyed by others receiving any service or benefit; and treating any person differently from others in determining admission, enrollment, eligibility, membership, or any other requirement or condition which persons must meet in order to be provided any service or benefit. Contractor shall take affirmative steps to ensure that those persons who qualify for services under this Agreement are provided services without regard to ability to pay or source of payment, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, gender, age, marital status, sexual orientation and/or physical or mental handicap, or medical conditions.

B. Contractor shall establish and maintain written complaint procedures under which any person applying for or receiving any services under this Agreement may seek resolution from Contractor

of a complaint with respect to any alleged discrimination in the rendering of services by Contractor's personnel. Such procedures shall also include a provision whereby any such person, who is dissatisfied with Contractor's resolution of the matter, shall be referred by Contractor to Director for the purpose of presenting his complaint of the alleged discrimination. Such complaint procedures shall also indicate that if such person is not satisfied with County's resolution or decision with respect to the complaint of alleged discrimination, such person may appeal the matter to the State, if appropriate.

C. If direct services (e.g., 24-hour services, day services, targeted case management, mental health services, medication support, and crisis intervention) are provided hereunder, Contractor shall have admission policies which are in accordance with CCR Title 9, Sections 526 and 527, and which shall be in writing and available to the public. Contractor shall not employ discriminatory practices in the admission of any person, assignment of accommodations, or otherwise. Any time any person applies for services under this Agreement, such person shall be advised by Contractor of the complaint procedures described in the above paragraph. A copy of such complaint procedures shall be posted by Contractor in each of Contractor's facilities where services are provided under this Agreement in a conspicuous place, available and open to the public.

**14. NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT:**

A. Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and will be treated equally by it without regard to, or because of, race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, gender, age (over 40), marital status, sexual orientation, condition of physical disability (including HIV and AIDS) or mental disability, medical condition (e.g., cancer), denial of family care leave, or political affiliation, status as a disabled veteran or veteran of the Vietnam era and in compliance with all applicable federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. The applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Government Code Section 12990 (a-f), set forth in Chapter 5 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, are incorporated into this Agreement by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full. Contractor and its subcontractors shall give written notice of their obligations under this clause to labor organizations with which they have a collective bargaining or other agreement.



B. Contractor shall certify to, and comply with, the provisions of Exhibit H – Contractor’s Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Certification.

C. Contractor shall take affirmative steps to ensure that qualified applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, gender, age (over 40), marital status, sexual orientation, condition of physical handicap (including HIV and AIDS) or mental handicap, disability, medical condition (e.g., cancer), denial of family care leave, political affiliation, status as a disabled veteran or veteran of the Vietnam era and in compliance with all applicable federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Such treatment shall include, but is not limited to, the following actions: employment, upgrading, promotion, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, selection for training, including apprenticeship, and granting or denying family care leave. Contractor shall not discriminate against or harass, nor shall it permit harassment of, its employees during employment based upon race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, gender, age (over 40), marital status, sexual orientation, condition of physical handicap (including HIV and AIDS) or mental handicap, disability, medical condition (e.g., cancer), denial of family care leave, or political affiliation, status as a disabled veteran or veteran of the Vietnam era and in compliance with all applicable federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Contractor shall ensure that the evaluation and treatment of its employees and applicants for employment are free from such discrimination and harassment, and will comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code section 12990 et seq.) and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Section 7285.0 et seq.).

D. Contractor shall deal with its subcontractors, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, gender, age, marital status, sexual orientation, condition of physical handicap (including HIV and AIDS) or mental handicap, disability, medical condition (e.g., cancer), denial of family care leave, political affiliation, status as a disabled veteran or veteran of the Vietnam era and in compliance with all applicable federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Further, Contractor shall give written notice of its obligations under this Paragraph 14 to labor organizations with which it has a collective bargaining or other agreement.

E. Contractor shall allow State and/or County representative's access to its books, accounts, and records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this Paragraph 19 when so requested by Director.

F. If County finds that any of the above provisions has been violated, the same shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate, cancel, or suspend this Agreement. The County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Agreement have been violated. In addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment Practices Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that Contractor has violated State or federal anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by County that Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Agreement.

G. In the event that Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph 14, County shall be entitled, at its option, to the sum of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500) pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Agreement.

H. Contractor shall include the provisions of this Paragraph 14 in every subcontract or purchase order unless otherwise expressly exempted.

**15. FAIR LABOR STANDARDS:** Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, 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 services performed by Contractor's employees for which County may be found jointly or solely liable.

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

terminate or suspend this Agreement.

**17. PATIENTS'/CLIENTS' RIGHTS:** Contractor shall comply with all applicable patients'/clients' rights provisions, including, but not limited to, WIC Section 5325 et seq., CCR Title 9, Section 850 et seq., and CCR Title 22. Further, Contractor shall comply with all patients'/clients' rights policies provided by County. County Patients' Rights Advocates shall be given access by Contractor to all patients'/clients' records, and Contractor's personnel in order to monitor Contractor's compliance with all applicable statutes, regulations, manuals and policies.

**18. REPORTING OF PATIENT/CLIENT ABUSE AND RELATED PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS:**

A. Elders and Dependent Adult Abuse: Contractor, and all persons employed or subcontracted by Contractor, shall comply with WIC Section 15600 et seq. and shall report all known or suspected instances of physical abuse of elders and dependent adults under the care of Contractor either to an appropriate County adult protective services agency or to a local law enforcement agency, as mandated by WIC Sections 15630, and permitted by Sections 15631, and 15632. Contractor and all persons employed or subcontracted by Contractor, shall make the report on such abuse, and shall submit all required information in accordance with WIC Sections 15630, 15633, and 15633.5.

B. Minor Children Abuse: Contractor and all persons employed or subcontracted by Contractor, shall comply with California Penal Code Section 11164 et seq. and shall report all known or suspected instances of child abuse to an appropriate child protective agency, as mandated by California Penal Code 11164 and 11166. Contractor and all persons employed or subcontracted by Contractor, shall make the report on such abuse, and shall submit all required information, in accordance with California Penal Code Sections 11166 and 11167.

C. Contractor Staff:

(1) Contractor shall assure that any person who enters into employment as a care custodian of elders, dependent adults or minor children, or who enters into employment as a health or other practitioner, prior to commencing employment, and as a prerequisite to that employment, shall sign a statement on a form provided by Contractor in accordance with the above code sections to the effect that such person has knowledge of, and will comply with, these code sections.

(2) Contractor shall assure that clerical and other non-treatment staffs, who are not legally required to directly report suspected cases of abuse, consult with mandated reporters upon suspecting any abuse.

(3) For the safety and welfare of elders, dependent adults, and minor children, Contractor shall, to the maximum extent permitted by law, ascertain arrest and conviction records for all current and prospective employees and shall not employ or continue to employ any person convicted of any crime involving any harm to elders, dependent adults, or minor children.

(4) Contractor shall not employ or continue to employ any person whom Contractor knows, or reasonably suspects, has committed any acts which are inimical to the health, morals, welfare, or safety of elders, dependent adults or minor children, or which otherwise make it inappropriate for such person to be employed by Contractor.

**19. CONFIDENTIALITY:** Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information, including, but not limited to, claims, County records, patient/client records and information, and County claims processing information system records, in accordance with WIC Sections 5328 through 5330, inclusive, and all other applicable County, State, and federal laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, manuals, guidelines, and directives, relating to confidentiality and privacy.

A. 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, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with this Paragraph 19, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph 19 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 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.

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

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

D. Contractor shall cause each employee performing services covered by this Contract to sign and adhere to the provisions of the "Contractor Employee Acknowledgment and Confidentiality Agreement", Exhibit B.

E. Contractor shall cause each non-employee performing services covered by this Contract to sign and adhere to the provisions of the "Contractor Non-Employee Acknowledgment and Confidentiality Agreement", Exhibit C.

**20. REPORTS:** Contractor shall make reports as required by Director or by State regarding Contractor's activities and operations as they relate to Contractor's performance of this Agreement. In no event may County require such reports unless it has provided Contractor with at least 30 calendar days' prior written notification. County shall provide Contractor with a written explanation of the procedures for reporting the required information.

**21. AUDIT:** Contractor shall maintain books, records, documents, and other evidence, accounting procedures, and practices sufficient to reflect properly all direct and indirect costs of whatever nature claimed to have been incurred and is anticipated to be incurred in the performance of this Agreement.

Included in these costs, but not limited, should be the Contractor's wholesale costs of drugs and medications such as copies or listing of vendor's invoices supplied from Contractor's own stock. Contractor shall allow DMH or any other authorized COUNTY, State or Federal agency or any duly authorized representative thereof to access, examine, audit, excerpt, copy or transcribe any pertinent transaction, or other records relating to this Agreement during the term of this Agreement and for a period of five (5) years after the end of its term.

In the event that an audit is conducted of Contractor by any Federal or State Auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by Contractor or otherwise, Contractor shall file a copy of such audit report(s) with County Auditor-Controller, within 30 days of receipt thereof unless otherwise provided under this Agreement, or under applicable State regulations. County shall maintain confidentiality of such audit report(s). Failure of Contractor to comply with these terms shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County may cancel, terminate, or suspend this Agreement.

**22. PROGRAM SUPERVISION, MONITORING AND REVIEW:**

A. Pursuant to WIC Section 5608 and CCR Title 9, Section 521, all services hereunder shall be provided by Contractor under the general supervision of Director or designee. Director shall have the right to monitor and specify the kind, quality, appropriateness, timeliness, and amount of services, and the criteria for determining the persons to be served.

B. Upon receipt of any contract monitoring report pertaining to services/activities under this Agreement, Contractor shall respond in writing to person(s) identified within the time specified in the contract monitoring report. Contractor shall, in its written response, either acknowledge the reported deficiencies or present additional evidence to dispute the findings. In addition, Contractor must submit a plan for immediate correction of all deficiencies.

C. In the event of a State audit of this Agreement, if State auditors disagree with County's official written instructions to Contractor in its performance of this Agreement, and if such disagreement results in a State disallowance of any of Contractor's costs hereunder, then County shall be liable for Contractor's disallowed costs as determined by State.

D. To assure compliance with this Agreement and for any other reasonable purpose relating to performance of this Agreement, and subject to the provisions of State and federal law, authorized County, State, and/or federal representatives and designees shall have the right to enter Contractor's premises (including all other places where duties under this Agreement are being performed), with or without notice, to: inspect, monitor and/or audit Contractor's facilities, programs and procedures, or to otherwise evaluate the work performed or being performed; review and copy any records and supporting documentation pertaining to the performance of this Agreement; and elicit information regarding the

performance of this Agreement or any related work. The representatives and designees of such agencies may examine, audit and copy such records at the site at which they are located. Contractor shall provide access to facilities and shall cooperate and assist County, State, and/or federal representatives and designees in the performance of their duties. Unless otherwise agreed upon in writing, Contractor must provide specified data upon request by County, State, and/or federal representatives and designees within three (3) business days.

**23. MAINTENANCE STANDARDS FOR SERVICE DELIVERY SITES:** Contractor shall assure that all locations where services are provided under this Agreement are operated at all times in accordance with all County community standards with regard to property maintenance and repair, graffiti abatement, refuse removal, fire safety, landscaping, and in full compliance with all applicable local laws, ordinances, and regulations relating to the property. County's periodic monitoring visits to Contractor's facility (ies) shall include a review of compliance with this Paragraph 23.

**24. CERTIFICATION OF DRUG-FREE WORK PLACE:** Contractor certifies and agrees that Contractor and its employees shall comply with DMH's policy of maintaining a drug-free work place. Contractor and its employees shall not manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess, or use any controlled substances as defined in 21 United States Code, Section 812, including, but not limited to, marijuana, heroin, cocaine, and amphetamines, at any of Contractor's facilities or work sites or County's facilities or work sites. If Contractor or any of its employees is convicted of or pleads nolo contendere to any criminal drug statute violation occurring at any such facility or work site, then Contractor, within five (5) days thereafter, shall notify Director in writing.

**25. EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION:** Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all federal statutes and regulations regarding employment of aliens and others and that all its employees performing services hereunder meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in federal statutes and regulations. Contractor shall obtain, from all covered employees performing services hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by federal statutes and regulations as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. Contractor shall retain all such documentation for the period prescribed by law. Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and

hold harmless County, its officers and employees from and against any employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against Contractor or County in connection with any alleged violation of any federal statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of persons performing services under this Agreement.

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

**27. NOTICE OF DELAYS:** Except as otherwise provided herein, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Agreement, that party shall, within three (3) working days, give written notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

**28. STAFF TRAINING AND SUPERVISION:** Contractor shall institute and maintain appropriate supervision of all persons providing services under this Agreement with particular emphasis on the supervision of para-professionals, interns, students, and clinical volunteers in accordance with Departmental clinical supervision policy. Contractor shall be responsible for the provision of mandatory training for all staff at the time of initial employment and on an ongoing basis as required by federal and State law, including but not limited to HIPAA and Sexual Harassment, and other State and County policies and procedures as well as on any other matters that County may reasonably require.

Contractor shall document and make available upon request by the federal, State and/or County the type and number of hours of training provided to Contractor's officers, employees, agents, and subcontractors.

**29. UNLAWFUL SOLICITATION:** Contractor shall require all of its employees to acknowledge, in writing, understanding of and agreement to comply with the provisions of Article 9 of Chapter 4 of Division 3



(commencing with Section 6150) of California Business and Professions Code (i.e., State Bar Act provisions regarding unlawful solicitation as a runner or capper for attorneys) and shall take positive and affirmative steps in its performance hereunder to insure that there is no violation of such provisions by its employees. Contractor shall utilize the attorney referral services of all those bar associations within the County of Los Angeles that have such a service.

**30. DELEGATION AND ASSIGNMENT BY CONTRACTOR:**

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

B. Shareholders, partners, members, or other equity holders of Contractor may transfer, sell, exchange, assign, or divest themselves of any interest they may have in Contractor. 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 entity other than the majority controlling interest therein at the time of execution of this Agreement, such disposition shall be deemed an assignment requiring the prior written consent of County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Agreement.

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

**31. CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP:** This Agreement shall terminate effective the date of sale, change of ownership or change of business operations of said Facility. Contractor shall notify DMH's Contracts Development and Administration Division in writing detailing such changes 60 days prior to any such changes. Failure of Contractor to notify the County within 60 days of the proposed changes shall result in liquidated damages assessed at \$100.00 per day for every day Contractor fails to notify County of said changes.

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

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

No addition to, or alteration of, the terms of the body of this Agreement, whether by written or oral understanding of the parties, their officers, employees or agents, shall be valid and effective unless made in the form of a written amendment to this Agreement which is formally approved and executed by the parties in the same manner as this Agreement.

**33. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

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

ongoing evaluation of such services.

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

**34. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE:** Any of the parties to this Agreement may terminate services by written notice to the other party, which termination shall become effective thirty (30) days from the date of the written notice. Any party providing such termination shall not be liable or responsible for any liability, monetary or otherwise, resulting from any termination, in whole or in part, of that party's involvement in this Agreement. Termination shall be final and shall release the party from any further responsibility to provide service under the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Any termination of this Agreement by County pursuant to this Paragraph 34 shall be approved by County's Board of Supervisors.

**35. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT:**

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

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

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

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

C. The rights and remedies of County provided in this Paragraph 35 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

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

Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (213) 974-0914 or (800) 544-6861.

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

**37. TERMINATION FOR INSOLVENCY:**

A. County may terminate this Agreement immediately in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:

(1) Insolvency of Contractor. 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 Contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code.

(2) The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition regarding Contractor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code.

(3) The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for Contractor.

(4) The execution by Contractor of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

B. The rights and remedies of County provided in this Paragraph 37 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

**38. CONTRACTOR BUSINESS LOCATION:**

A. Contractor's facility(ies) where services are to be provided hereunder is(are) located on the Service Delivery Site attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit F.

B. Contractor shall notify in writing the County's Department of Mental Health, Contracts Development and Administration Division, of any change in its business address at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date thereof.

**39. LICENSES, PERMITS, REGISTRATIONS, ACCREDITATIONS, AND CERTIFICATES:**

Contractor shall obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all licenses, permits, registrations, accreditations, and certificates, as required by all federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, manuals, guidelines, and directives, which are required by law for the operation of its facility and for the provision of services hereunder. Further contractor shall supply to County, on a yearly basis, proof of payment of its state license renewal.. Contractor shall further ensure that all of its officers, employees, and agents, who perform services hereunder, shall obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement all licenses, permits, registrations, accreditations, and certificates which are applicable to their performance hereunder. A copy of each such license, permit, registration, accreditation, and certificate as required by all applicable federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, manuals, guidelines and directives shall be provided, in duplicate, to DMH's Contracts Development and Administration Division.

**40. INDEPENDENT STATUS OF CONTRACTOR:**

A. This Agreement is by and between the County and 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 County and 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.

B. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Agreement all compensation and benefits. 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 Contractor.

C. Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing services pursuant to this Agreement are, for purposes of workers' compensation liability, the sole employees of Contractor and not employees of County. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all workers' compensation benefits to any person as a result of injuries arising from or connected with any services performed by or on behalf of Contractor pursuant to this Agreement.

D. The Contractor shall adhere to the provisions stated in Subparagraph 19 – Confidentiality.

**41. SUBCONTRACTING:**

A. No performance of this Agreement, or any portion thereof, shall be subcontracted by Contractor without the prior written consent of County as provided in this Paragraph 41. Any attempt by Contractor to subcontract any performance, obligation, or responsibility under this Agreement, without the prior written consent of County, 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.

B. If Contractor desires to subcontract any portion of its performance, obligations, or responsibilities under this Agreement, Contractor shall make a written request to County for written approval to enter into the particular subcontract. Contractor's request to County shall include:

- (1) The reasons for the particular subcontract.

(2) A detailed description of the services to be provided by the subcontract.

(3) Identification of the proposed subcontractor and an explanation of why and how the proposed subcontractor was selected, including the degree of competition involved.

(4) A description of the proposed subcontract amount and manner of compensation, together with Contractor's cost or price analysis thereof.

(5) A copy of the proposed subcontract which shall contain the following provision:

"This contract is a subcontract under the terms of the prime contract with the County of Los Angeles and shall be subject to all of the provisions of such prime contract."

(6) A copy of the proposed subcontract, if in excess of \$10,000 and utilizes public funds, shall also contain the following provision: "The contracting parties shall be subject to the examination and audit of the State Auditor, pursuant to the California Government Code, Section 8546.7, for a period of seven (7) years from the end of the Fiscal Year in which such services were provided or until final resolution of any audits, whichever occurs later."

Further, the Contractor will also be subject to the examination and audit of the State Auditor, pursuant to the Government Code, Section 8546.7, for a period of seven (7) years from the end of the Fiscal Year in which such services were provided or until final resolution of any audits, which ever occurs later.

(7) Any other information and/or certifications requested by County.

C. County shall review Contractor's request to subcontract and shall determine, in its sole discretion, whether or not to consent to such request on a case-by-case basis.

D. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all liability, damages, costs, and expenses, including, but not limited to, defense costs and legal fees, arising from or related to Contractor's use of any subcontractor, including any officers, employees, or agents of any subcontractor, in the same manner as required for Contractor, its officers, employees, and agents, under this Agreement.

E. Notwithstanding any County consent to any subcontracting, Contractor shall remain fully liable and responsible for any and all performance required of it under this Agreement, and no subcontract

shall bind or purport to bind County. Further, County approval of any subcontract shall not be construed to limit in any way Contractor's performance, obligations, or responsibilities, to County, nor shall such approval limit in any way any of County's rights or remedies contained in this Agreement. Additionally, County approval of any subcontract shall not be construed in any way to constitute the determination of the allow ability or appropriateness of any cost or payment under this Agreement.

F. In the event that County consents to any subcontracting, such consent shall be subject to County's right to give prior and continuing approval of any and all subcontractor personnel providing services under such subcontract. Contractor shall assure that any subcontractor personnel not approved by County shall be immediately removed from the provision of any services under the particular subcontract or that other action is taken as requested by County. County shall not be liable or responsible in any way to Contractor, to any subcontractor, or to any officers, employees, or agents of Contractor or any subcontractor, for any liability, damages, costs or expenses arising from or related to County's exercise of such right.

G. In the event that County consents to any subcontracting, such consent shall be subject to County's right to terminate, in whole or in part, any subcontract at any time upon written notice to Contractor when such action is deemed by County to be in its best interest. County shall not be liable or responsible in any way to Contractor, to any subcontractor, or to any officers, employees, or agents of Contractor or any subcontractor, for any liability, damages, costs, or expenses arising from or related to County's exercise of such right.

H. In the event that County consents to any subcontracting, each and all of the provisions of this Agreement and any amendment thereto shall extend to, be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the successors or administrators of the respective parties.

I. In the event that County consents to any subcontracting, such consent shall apply to each particular subcontract only and shall not be, or be construed to be, a waiver of this Paragraph 41, or a blanket consent to any further subcontracting.

J. In the event that County consents to any subcontracting, Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for any and all payments and/or other compensation to all subcontractors and their officers,



employees, and agents. County shall have no liability or responsibility whatsoever for any payment and/or other compensation for any subcontractors or their officers, employees, and agents.

K. Contractor shall deliver to the Chief of DMH's Contracts Development and Administration Division, a fully executed copy of each subcontract entered into by Contractor pursuant to this Paragraph 41, on or immediately after the effective date of the subcontract but in no event later than the date any services are performed under the subcontract.

L. In the event that County consents to any subcontracting, Contractor shall obtain and maintain on file an executed Contractor Non-Employee Acknowledgment and Confidentiality Agreement, in the form as contained in Exhibit C of this Agreement, for each of the subcontractor's employees performing services under the subcontract. Such Acknowledgments shall be obtained and maintained on file and made available upon request on or immediately after the commencement date of the particular subcontract but in no event later than the date such employee first performs any services under the subcontract.

M. County shall have no liability or responsibility whatsoever for any payment or other compensation for any subcontractor or its officers, employees, and agents.

N. Director or his designee is hereby authorized to act for and on behalf of County pursuant to this Paragraph 41, including, but not limited to, consenting to any subcontracting.

**42. THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES:** 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.

**43. QUALITY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM:** The Contractor's level of performance under this Agreement shall be evaluated by the County no less than annually. Failure to meet performance standards may place Contractor's Agreement in jeopardy; performance deficits that are not remedied will be reported to the Board of Supervisors. The report shall include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, County may terminate this Agreement or invoke other remedies as specified in this Agreement.

**44. CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM:****A. Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program:**

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

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

**B. Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Child Support Compliance Program:** Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Subparagraph A (Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program) shall constitute default under this Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this Agreement, failure of Contractor to cure such default within 90 calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this Agreement pursuant to Paragraph 35 (TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT) and pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

**45. CONSIDERATION OF GREATER AVENUES FOR INDEPENDENCE (GAIN) OR GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW) PARTICIPANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT:**

Should contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this agreement, contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services' Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General

Relief Opportunities for Work (GROW) Program who meet contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. If contractor decides to pursue consideration of GAIN/GROW participants for hiring, contractor shall provide information regarding job openings and job requirements to Department of Public Social Services' GAIN/GROW staff at GAINGROW@dpss.lacounty.gov. County will refer GAIN/GROW participants, by job category, to contractor.

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

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

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

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

**49. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT:** The following requirements set forth in the County's Non-Responsibility and Debarment Ordinance (Title 2, Chapter 2.202 of the County Code) are effective for this Agreement, except to the extent applicable State and/or federal laws are inconsistent with the terms of the Ordinance.

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

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

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

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

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

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

adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Hearing Board.

G If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (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.

H. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (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.

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

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

50. **CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION – LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS (45 C.F.R. PART 76)**: The Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County is prohibited from contracting with and making sub-

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

**51. CONTRACTOR'S EXCLUSION FROM PARTICIPATION IN A FEDERALLY FUNDED**

**PROGRAM:** Contractor hereby warrants that neither it nor any of its staff members is restricted, excluded or suspended from providing services under any health care program funded by the federal government, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, and that Contractor will notify Director within 30 calendar days in writing of: (1) any event that would require Contractor or a staff member's mandatory exclusion or suspension from participation in a federally funded health care program; and (2) any exclusionary or suspension action taken by any agency of the federal or State governments against Contractor or one or more staff members barring it or the staff members from participation in a federally funded health care program, whether such bar is direct or indirect, or whether such bar is in whole or in part.

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

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

substances, or (2) convictions related to patient abuse.

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

Contractor shall indemnify and hold County harmless against any and all loss or damage County may suffer arising from any federal or State exclusion or suspension of Contractor or its staff members from such participation in a federally funded health care program. Contractor shall provide the certification set forth in Exhibit D (Attestation Regarding Federally Funded Program) as part of its obligation under this Paragraph 51.

Failure by Contractor to meet the requirements of this Paragraph 51 shall constitute a material breach of Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

**52. WARRANTY AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES:** Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Agreement upon any agreement or understanding for any commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by Contractor for the purpose of securing business. For Contractor's breach or violation of this warranty, County may, in its sole discretion, deduct from the Agreement price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

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**53. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW:**

A. Contractor shall comply with all federal laws, including, but not limited to, Title XIX of the Social Security Act, State, and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, manuals, guidelines, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, and directives applicable to its performance hereunder. Further, all provisions required thereby to be included in this Agreement are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

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

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

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

**54. CAPTIONS AND PARAGRAPH HEADINGS:** Captions and paragraph headings used in this Agreement are for convenience only and are not a part of this Agreement and shall not be used in construing this Agreement.

**55. ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** The body of this Agreement as approved in writing by Director, including any addenda thereto as approved in writing by Director, which are hereby incorporated herein by reference but not attached, shall constitute the complete and exclusive statement of understanding between the parties which supersedes all previous agreements, written or oral, and all other communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the definition or interpretation of any word, responsibility, or schedule, or the contents or description of any service or other work, or otherwise, between the body of this Agreement and the other referenced documents, or between



such other documents, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the body of this Agreement.

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

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

**58. BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT UNDER THE HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996 ("HIPAA"):** County is a Covered Entity as defined by, and subject to the requirements and prohibitions of, the Administrative Simplification provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191 ("HIPAA"), and regulations promulgated thereunder, including the Privacy, Security, Breach Notification, and Enforcement Rules at 45 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Parts 160 and 164 (collectively, the "HIPAA Rules").

Contractor performs or provides functions, activities or services to County that require Contractor in order to provide such functions, activities or services to create, access, receive, maintain, and/or transmit information that includes or that may include Protected Health Information, as defined by the HIPAA Rules. As such, Contractor is a Business Associate, as defined by the HIPAA Rules, and is therefore subject to those provisions of the HIPAA Rules that are applicable to Business Associates.

The HIPAA Rules require a written agreement ("Business Associate Agreement") between County and Contractor in order to mandate certain protections for the privacy and security of Protected Health Information, and these HIPAA Rules prohibit the disclosure to or use of Protected Health Information by Contractor if such an agreement is not in place.

This Business Associate Agreement and its provisions are intended to protect the privacy and provide for the security of Protected Health Information disclosed to or used by Contractor in compliance with the HIPAA Rules.

Therefore, the parties agree as follows:

**1. DEFINITIONS**

1.1 "Breach" has the same meaning as the term "breach" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.402.

1.2 "Business Associate" has the same meaning as the term "business associate" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. For the convenience of the parties, a "business associate" is a person or entity, other than a member of the workforce of covered entity, who performs functions or activities on behalf of, or provides certain services to, a covered entity that involve access by the business associate to Protected Health Information. A "business associate" also is a subcontractor that creates, receives, maintains, or transmits Protected Health Information on behalf of another business associate. And in reference to the party to this Business Associate Agreement "Business Associate" shall mean Contractor.

1.3 "Covered Entity" has the same meaning as the term "covered entity" at 45 CFR § 160.103, and in reference to the party to this Business Associate Agreement, "Covered Entity" shall mean County.

1.4 "Data Aggregation" has the same meaning as the term "data aggregation" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.501.

1.5 "De-identification" refers to the de-identification standard at 45 C.F.R. § 164.514.

1.6 "Designated Record Set" has the same meaning as the term "designated record set" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.501.

1.7 "Disclose" and "Disclosure" mean, with respect to Protected Health Information, the release, transfer, provision of access to, or divulging in any other manner of Protected Health Information outside Business Associate's internal operations or to other than its workforce. (See 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.)

1.8 "Electronic Health Record" means an electronic record of health-related information on an individual that is created, gathered, managed, and consulted by authorized health care clinicians and staff. (See 42 U.S. C. § 17921.)

1.9 "Electronic Media" has the same meaning as the term "electronic media" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. For the convenience of the parties, electronic media means (1) Electronic storage material on which data is or may be recorded electronically, including, for example, devices in computers (hard drives) and any removable/transportable digital memory medium, such as magnetic tape or disk, optical disk, or digital memory card; (2) Transmission media used to exchange information already in electronic storage media. Transmission media include, for example, the Internet, extranet or intranet, leased lines, dial-up lines, private networks, and the physical movement of removable/transportable electronic storage media. Certain transmissions, including of paper, via facsimile, and of voice, via telephone, are not considered to be transmissions via electronic media if the information being exchanged did not exist in electronic form immediately before the transmission.

1.10 "Electronic Protected Health Information" has the same meaning as the term "electronic protected health information" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103, limited to Protected Health Information created or received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity. For the convenience of the parties, Electronic Protected Health Information means Protected Health Information that is (i) transmitted by electronic media; (ii) maintained in electronic media.

1.11 "Health Care Operations" has the same meaning as the term "health care operations" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.501.

1.12 "Individual" has the same meaning as the term "individual" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. For the convenience of the parties, Individual means the person who is the subject of Protected Health Information and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.502 (g).

1.13 "Law Enforcement Official" has the same meaning as the term "law enforcement official" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.103.

1.14 "Minimum Necessary" refers to the minimum necessary standard at 45 C.F.R. § 162.502 (b).

1.15 "Protected Health Information" has the same meaning as the term "protected health information" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103, limited to the information created or received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity. For the convenience of the parties, Protected Health Information includes information that (i) relates to the past, present or future physical or mental health or condition of an Individual; the provision of health care to an Individual, or the past, present or future payment for the provision of health care to an Individual; (ii) identifies the Individual (or for which there is a reasonable basis for believing that the information can be used to identify the Individual); and (iii) is created, received, maintained, or transmitted by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity, and includes Protected Health Information that is made accessible to Business Associate by Covered Entity. "Protected Health Information" includes Electronic Protected Health Information.

1.16 "Required by Law" " has the same meaning as the term "required by law" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.103.

1.17 "Secretary" has the same meaning as the term "secretary" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103

1.18 "Security Incident" has the same meaning as the term "security incident" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.304.

1.19 "Services" means, unless otherwise specified, those functions, activities, or services in the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, or Purchase Order or other service arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate.

1.20 "Subcontractor" has the same meaning as the term "subcontractor" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.

1.21 "Unsecured Protected Health Information" has the same meaning as the term "unsecured protected health information" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.402.

1.22 “Use” or “Uses” means, with respect to Protected Health Information, the sharing, employment, application, utilization, examination or analysis of such Information within Business Associate’s internal operations. (See 45 C.F.R § 164.103.)

1.23 Terms used, but not otherwise defined in this Business Associate Agreement, have the same meaning as those terms in the HIPAA Rules.

**2. PERMITTED AND REQUIRED USES AND DISCLOSURES OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION**

2.1 Business Associate may only Use and/or Disclose Protected Health Information as necessary to perform Services, and/or as necessary to comply with the obligations of this Business Associate Agreement.

2.2 Business Associate may Use Protected Health Information for de-identification of the information if de-identification of the information is required to provide Services.

2.3 Business Associate may Use or Disclose Protected Health Information as Required by Law.

2.4 Business Associate shall make Uses and Disclosures and requests for Protected Health Information consistent with the applicable Covered Entity’s Minimum Necessary policies and procedures.

2.5 Business Associate may Use Protected Health Information as necessary for the proper management and administration of its business or to carry out its legal responsibilities.

2.6 Business Associate may Disclose Protected Health Information as necessary for the proper management and administration of its business or to carry out its legal responsibilities, provided the Disclosure is Required by Law.

2.7 Business Associate may provide Data Aggregation services relating to Covered Entity’s Health Care Operations if such Data Aggregation services are necessary in order to provide Services.

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**3. PROHIBITED USES AND DISCLOSURES OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION**

3.1 Business Associate shall not Use or Disclose Protected Health Information other than as permitted or required by this Business Associate Agreement or as Required by Law.

3.2 Business Associate shall not Use or Disclose Protected Health Information in a manner that would violate Subpart E of 45 C.F.R. Part 164 if done by Covered Entity, except for the specific Uses and Disclosures set forth in Sections 2.5 and 2.6.

3.3 Business Associate shall not Use or Disclose Protected Health Information for de-identification of the information except as set forth in section 2.2.

**4. OBLIGATIONS TO SAFEGUARD PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION**

4.1 Business Associate shall implement, use, and maintain appropriate safeguards to prevent the Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information other than as provided for by this Business Associate Agreement.

4.2 Business Associate shall comply with Subpart C of 45 C.F.R Part 164 with respect to Electronic Protected Health Information, to prevent the Use or Disclosure of such information other than as provided for by this Business Associate Agreement.

**5. REPORTING NON-PERMITTED USES OR DISCLOSURES, SECURITY INCIDENTS, AND BREACHES OF UNSECURED PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION**

5.1 Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity any Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information not permitted by this Business Associate Agreement, any Security Incident, and/ or any Breach of Unsecured Protected Health Information as further described in Sections 5.1.1, 5.1.2, and 5.1.3.

5.1.1 Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity any Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information by Business Associate, its employees, representatives, agents or Subcontractors not provided for by this Agreement of which Business Associate becomes aware.

5.1.2 Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity any Security Incident of which Business Associate becomes aware.

5.1.3 Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity any Breach by Business Associate, its employees, representatives, agents, workforce members, or Subcontractors of Unsecured Protected Health Information that is known to Business Associate or, by exercising reasonable diligence, would have been known to Business Associate. Business Associate shall be deemed to have knowledge of a Breach of Unsecured Protected Health Information if the Breach is known, or by exercising reasonable diligence would have been known, to any person, other than the person committing the Breach, who is an employee, officer, or other agent of Business Associate, including a Subcontractor, as determined in accordance with the federal common law of agency.

5.2 Except as provided in Section 5.3, for any reporting required by Section 5.1, Business Associate shall provide, to the extent available, all information required by, and within the times frames specified in, Sections 5.2.1 and 5.2.2.

5.2.1 Business Associate shall make an immediate telephonic report upon discovery of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information, Security Incident or Breach of Unsecured Protected Health Information to **(562) 940-3335** that minimally includes:

(a) A brief description of what happened, including the date of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure, Security Incident, or Breach and the date of Discovery of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure, Security Incident, or Breach, if known;

(b) The number of Individuals whose Protected Health Information is involved;

(c) A description of the specific type of Protected Health Information involved in the non-permitted Use or Disclosure, Security Incident, or Breach (such as whether full name, social security number, date of birth, home address, account number, diagnosis, disability code or other types of information were involved);

(d) The name and contact information for a person highly knowledgeable of the facts and circumstances of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure of PHI, Security Incident, or Breach

5.2.2 Business Associate shall make a written report without unreasonable delay and in no event later than three (3) business days from the date of discovery by Business Associate of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information, Security Incident, or Breach of Unsecured Protected Health Information and to the **Chief HIPAA Privacy Officer at: Chief HIPAA Privacy Officer, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street, Suite 525, Los Angeles, California 90012, HIPAA@auditor.lacounty.gov**, that includes, to the extent possible:

(a) A brief description of what happened, including the date of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure, Security Incident, or Breach and the date of Discovery of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure, Security Incident, or Breach, if known;

(b) The number of Individuals whose Protected Health Information is involved;

(c) A description of the specific type of Protected Health Information involved in the non-permitted Use or Disclosure, Security Incident, or Breach (such as whether full name, social security number, date of birth, home address, account number, diagnosis, disability code or other types of information were involved);

(d) The identification of each Individual whose Unsecured Protected Health Information has been, or is reasonably believed by Business Associate to have been, accessed, acquired, Used, or Disclosed;

(e) Any other information necessary to conduct an assessment of whether notification to the Individual(s) under 45 C.F.R. § 164.404 is required;

(f) Any steps Business Associate believes that the Individual(s) could take to protect him or herself from potential harm from the non-permitted Use or Disclosure, Security Incident, or Breach;

(g) A brief description of what Business Associate is doing to investigate, to mitigate harm to the Individual(s), and to protect against any further similar occurrences;  
and



(h) The name and contact information for a person highly knowledgeable of the facts and circumstances of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure of PHI, Security Incident, or Breach.

5.2.3 If Business Associate is not able to provide the information specified in Section 5.2.1 or 5.2.2 at the time of the required report, Business Associate shall provide such information promptly thereafter as such information becomes available.

5.3 Business Associate may delay the notification required by Section 5.1.3, if a law enforcement official states to Business Associate that notification would impede a criminal investigation or cause damage to national security.

5.3.1 If the law enforcement official's statement is in writing and specifies the time for which a delay is required, Business Associate shall delay its reporting and/or notification obligation(s) for the time period specified by the official.

5.3.2 If the statement is made orally, Business Associate shall document the statement, including the identity of the official making the statement, and delay its reporting and/or notification obligation(s) temporarily and no longer than 30 days from the date of the oral statement, unless a written statement as described in Section 5.3.1 is submitted during that time.

**6. WRITTEN ASSURANCES OF SUBCONTRACTORS**

6.1 In accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.502 (e)(1)(ii) and § 164.308 (b)(2), if applicable, Business Associate shall ensure that any Subcontractor that creates, receives, maintains, or transmits Protected Health Information on behalf of Business Associate is made aware of its status as a Business Associate with respect to such information and that Subcontractor agrees in writing to the same restrictions, conditions, and requirements that apply to Business Associate with respect to such information.

6.2 Business Associate shall take reasonable steps to cure any material breach or violation by Subcontractor of the agreement required by Section 6.1.

6.3 If the steps required by Section 6.2 do not cure the breach or end the violation, Contractor shall terminate, if feasible, any arrangement with Subcontractor by which Subcontractor creates, receives, maintains, or transmits Protected Health Information on behalf of Business Associate.

6.4 If neither cure nor termination as set forth in Sections 6.2 and 6.3 is feasible, Business Associate shall immediately notify County.

6.5 Without limiting the requirements of Section 6.1, the agreement required by Section 6.1 (Subcontractor Business Associate Agreement) shall require Subcontractor to contemporaneously notify Covered Entity in the event of a Breach of Unsecured Protected Health Information.

6.6 Without limiting the requirements of Section 6.1, agreement required by Section 6.1 (Subcontractor Business Associate Agreement) shall include a provision requiring Subcontractor to destroy, or in the alternative to return to Business Associate, any Protected Health Information created, received, maintained, or transmitted by Subcontractor on behalf of Business Associate so as to enable Business Associate to comply with the provisions of Section 18.4.

6.7 Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity, at Covered Entity's request, a copy of any and all Subcontractor Business Associate Agreements required by Section 6.1.

6.8 Sections 6.1 and 6.7 are not intended by the parties to limit in any way the scope of Business Associate's obligations related to Subcontracts or Subcontracting in the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order, or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate.

**7. ACCESS TO PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION**

7.1 To the extent Covered Entity determines that Protected Health Information is maintained by Business Associate or its agents or Subcontractors in a Designated Record Set, Business Associate shall, within two (2) business days after receipt of a request from Covered Entity, make the Protected Health Information specified by Covered Entity available to the Individual(s) identified by Covered Entity as being entitled to access and shall provide such Individuals(s) or other person(s)

designated by Covered Entity with a copy the specified Protected Health Information, in order for Covered Entity to meet the requirements of 45 C.F.R. § 164.524.

7.2 If any Individual requests access to Protected Health Information directly from Business Associate or its agents or Subcontractors, Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity in writing within two (2) days of the receipt of the request. Whether access shall be provided or denied shall be determined by Covered Entity.

7.3 To the extent that Business Associate maintains Protected Health Information that is subject to access as set forth above in one or more Designated Record Sets electronically and if the Individual requests an electronic copy of such information, Business Associate shall provide the Individual with access to the Protected Health Information in the electronic form and format requested by the Individual, if it is readily producible in such form and format; or, if not, in a readable electronic form and format as agreed to by Covered Entity and the Individual.

**8. AMENDMENT OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION**

8.1 To the extent Covered Entity determines that any Protected Health Information is maintained by Business Associate or its agents or Subcontractors in a Designated Record Set, Business Associate shall, within ten (10) business days after receipt of a written request from Covered Entity, make any amendments to such Protected Health Information that are requested by Covered Entity, in order for Covered Entity to meet the requirements of 45 C.F.R. § 164.526.

8.2 If any Individual requests an amendment to Protected Health Information directly from Business Associate or its agents or Subcontractors, Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity in writing within five (5) days of the receipt of the request. Whether an amendment shall be granted or denied shall be determined by Covered Entity.

**9. ACCOUNTING OF DISCLOSURES OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION**

9.1 Business Associate shall maintain an accounting of each Disclosure of Protected Health Information made by Business Associate or its employees, agents, representatives or Subcontractors, as is determined by Covered Entity to be necessary in order to permit Covered Entity to

respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528.

9.1.1 Any accounting of disclosures provided by Business Associate under Section 9.1 shall include:

- (a) The date of the Disclosure;
  - (b) The name, and address if known, of the entity or person who received the Protected Health Information;
  - (c) A brief description of the Protected Health Information Disclosed;
- and
- (d) A brief statement of the purpose of the Disclosure.

9.1.2 For each Disclosure that could require an accounting under Section 9.1, Business Associate shall document the information specified in Section 9.1.1, and shall maintain the information for six (6) years from the date of the Disclosure.

9.2 Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity, within ten (10) business days after receipt of a written request from Covered Entity, information collected in accordance with Section 9.1.1 to permit Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528

9.3 If any Individual requests an accounting of disclosures directly from Business Associate or its agents or Subcontractors, Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity in writing within five (5) days of the receipt of the request, and shall provide the requested accounting of disclosures to the Individual(s) within 30 days. The information provided in the accounting shall be in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528.

**10. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE HIPAA RULES**

10.1 To the extent Business Associate is to carry out one or more of Covered Entity's obligation(s) under Subpart E of 45 C.F.R. Part 164, Business Associate shall comply with the requirements of Subpart E that apply to Covered Entity's performance of such obligation(s).

10.2 Business Associate shall comply with all HIPAA Rules applicable to Business Associate in the performance of Services.

**11. AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS**

11.1 Business Associate shall make its internal practices, books, and records relating to the Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information received from, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity available to the Secretary for purposes of determining Covered Entity's compliance with the Privacy and Security Regulations.

11.2 Unless prohibited by the Secretary, Business Associate shall immediately notify Covered Entity of any requests made by the Secretary and provide Covered Entity with copies of any documents produced in response to such request.

**12. MITIGATION OF HARMFUL EFFECTS**

12.1 Business Associate shall mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect of a Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information by Business Associate in violation of the requirements of this Business Associate Agreement that is known to Business Associate.

**13. BREACH NOTIFICATION TO INDIVIDUALS**

13.1 Business Associate shall, to the extent Covered Entity determines that there has been a Breach of Unsecured Protected Health Information by Business Associate, its employees, representatives, agents or Subcontractors, provide breach notification to the Individual in a manner that permits Covered Entity to comply with its obligations under 45 C.F.R. § 164.404.

13.1.1 Business Associate shall notify, subject to the review and approval of Covered Entity, each Individual whose Unsecured Protected Health Information has been, or is reasonably believed to have been, accessed, acquired, Used, or Disclosed as a result of any such Breach.

13.1.2 The notification provided by Business Associate shall be written in plain language, shall be subject to review and approval by Covered Entity, and shall include, to the extent possible:

(a) A brief description of what happened, including the date of the Breach and the date of the Discovery of the Breach, if known;

(b) A description of the types of Unsecured Protected Health Information that were involved in the Breach (such as whether full name, social security number, date of birth, home address, account number, diagnosis, disability code, or other types of information were involved);

(c) Any steps the Individual should take to protect him or herself from potential harm resulting from the Breach;

(d) A brief description of what Business Associate is doing to investigate the Breach, to mitigate harm to Individual(s), and to protect against any further Breaches; and

(e) Contact procedures for Individual(s) to ask questions or learn additional information, which shall include a toll-free telephone number, an e-mail address, Web site, or postal address.

13.2 Covered Entity, in its sole discretion, may elect to provide the notification required by Section 13.1 and/or to establish the contact procedures described in Section 13.1.2.

13.3 Business Associate shall reimburse Covered Entity any and all costs incurred by Covered Entity, in complying with Subpart D of 45 C.F.R. Part 164, including but not limited to costs of notification, internet posting, or media publication, as a result of Business Associate's Breach of Unsecured Protected Health Information; Covered Entity shall not be responsible for any costs incurred by Business Associate in providing the notification required by 13.1 or in establishing the contact procedures required by Section 13.1.2.

**14. INDEMNIFICATION**

14.1 Business Associate shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Covered Entity, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), and penalties and/or fines (including regulatory penalties and/or fines), arising

from or connected with Business Associate's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Business Associate Agreement, including, but not limited to, compliance and/or enforcement actions and/or activities, whether formal or informal, by the Secretary or by the Attorney General of the State of California.

14.2 Section 14.1 is not intended by the parties to limit in any way the scope of Business Associate's obligations related to Insurance and/or Indemnification in the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order, or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate.

**15. OBLIGATIONS OF COVERED ENTITY**

15.1 Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any current or future restrictions or limitations on the Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information that would affect Business Associate's performance of the Services, and Business Associate shall thereafter restrict or limit its own Uses and Disclosures accordingly.

15.2 Covered Entity shall not request Business Associate to Use or Disclose Protected Health Information in any manner that would not be permissible under Subpart E of 45 C.F.R. Part 164 if done by Covered Entity, except to the extent that Business Associate may Use or Disclose Protected Health Information as provided in Sections 2.3, 2.5, and 2.6.

**16. TERM**

16.1 Unless sooner terminated as set forth in Section 17, the term of this Business Associate Agreement shall be the same as the term of the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order, or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate.

16.2 Notwithstanding Section 16.1, Business Associate's obligations under Sections 18.1 to 18.4 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Business Associate Agreement.

**17. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE**

17.1 In addition to and notwithstanding the termination provisions set forth in the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order, or other

services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate, if either party determines that the other party has violated a material term of this Business Associate Agreement, and the breaching party has not cured the breach or ended the violation within the time specified by the non-breaching party, which shall be reasonable given the nature of the breach and/or violation, the non-breaching party may terminate this Business Associate Agreement.

17.2 In addition to and notwithstanding the termination provisions set forth in the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order, or services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate, if either party determines that the other party has violated a material term of this Business Associate Agreement, and cure is not feasible, the non-breaching party may terminate this Business Associate Agreement immediately.

**18. DISPOSITION OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION UPON TERMINATION OR EXPIRATION**

18.1 Except as provided in Section 18.3, upon termination for any reason or expiration of this Business Associate Agreement, Business Associate shall return or, if agreed to by Covered entity, shall destroy as provided for in Section 18.2, all Protected Health Information received from Covered Entity, or created, maintained, or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity, that Business Associate, including any Subcontractor, still maintains in any form. Business Associate shall retain no copies of the Protected Health Information.

18.2 Destruction for purposes of Section 18.2 and Section 6.6 shall mean that media on which the Protected Health Information is stored or recorded has been destroyed and/or electronic media have been cleared, purged, or destroyed in accordance with the use of a technology or methodology specified by the Secretary in guidance for rendering Protected Health Information unusable, unreadable, or indecipherable to unauthorized individuals.

18.3 Notwithstanding Section 18.1, in the event that Business Associate determines that any such Protected Health Information is necessary for Business Associate to continue its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities, Business Associate may retain



that Protected Health Information which is necessary for Business Associate to continue its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities and shall return or destroy all other Protected Health Information.

18.3.1 Business Associate shall extend the protections of this Business Associate Agreement to such Protected Health Information, including continuing to use appropriate safeguards and continuing to comply with Subpart C of 45 C.F.R Part 164 with respect to Electronic Protected Health Information, to prevent the Use or Disclosure of such information other than as provided for in Sections 2.5 and 2.6 for so long as such Protected Health Information is retained, and Business Associate shall not Use or Disclose such Protected Health Information other than for the purposes for which such Protected Health Information was retained.

18.3.2 Business Associate shall return or, if agreed to by Covered entity, destroy the Protected Health Information retained by Business Associate when it is no longer needed by Business Associate for Business Associate's proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities.

18.4 Business Associate shall ensure that all Protected Health Information created, maintained, or received by Subcontractors is returned or, if agreed to by Covered entity, destroyed as provided for in Section 18.2.

**19. AUDIT, INSPECTION, AND EXAMINATION**

19.1 Covered Entity reserves the right to conduct a reasonable inspection of the facilities, systems, information systems, books, records, agreements, and policies and procedures relating to the Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information for the purpose of determining whether Business Associate is in compliance with the terms of this Business Associate Agreement and any non-compliance may be a basis for termination of this Business Associate Agreement and the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate, as provided for in Section 17.

19.2 Covered Entity and Business Associate shall mutually agree in advance upon the scope, timing, and location of any such inspection.

19.3 At Business Associate's request, and to the extent permitted by law, Covered Entity shall execute a nondisclosure agreement, upon terms and conditions mutually agreed to by the parties.

19.4 Covered Entity inspects, fails to inspect, or has the right to inspect as provided for in Section 19.1 does not relieve Business Associate of its responsibility to comply with this Business Associate Agreement and/or the HIPAA Rules or impose on Covered Entity any responsibility for Business Associate's compliance with any applicable HIPAA Rules.

19.5 Covered Entity's failure to detect, its detection but failure to notify Business Associate, or its detection but failure to require remediation by Business Associate of an unsatisfactory practice by Business Associate, shall not constitute acceptance of such practice or a waiver of Covered Entity's enforcement rights under this Business Associate Agreement or the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate.

19.6 Section 19.1 is not intended by the parties to limit in any way the scope of Business Associate's obligations related to Inspection and/or Audit and/or similar review in the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order, or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate.

**20. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

20.1 Disclaimer. Covered Entity makes no warranty or representation that compliance by Business Associate with the terms and conditions of this Business Associate Agreement will be adequate or satisfactory to meet the business needs or legal obligations of Business Associate.

20.2 HIPAA Requirements. The Parties agree that the provisions under HIPAA Rules that are required by law to be incorporated into this Amendment are hereby incorporated into this Agreement.

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

20.4 Construction. In the event that a provision of this Business Associate Agreement is contrary to a provision of the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order, or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate, the provision of this Business Associate Agreement shall control. Otherwise, this Business Associate Agreement shall be construed under, and in accordance with, the terms of the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate.

20.5 Regulatory References. A reference in this Business Associate Agreement to a section in the HIPAA Rules means the section as in effect or as amended.

20.6 Interpretation. Any ambiguity in this Business Associate Agreement shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that permits the parties to comply with the HIPAA Rules.

20.7 Amendment. The parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Business Associate Agreement from time to time as is necessary for Covered Entity or Business Associate to comply with the requirements of the HIPAA Rules and any other privacy laws governing Protected Health Information.

**59. COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S JURY SERVICE PROGRAM:**

A. Jury Service Program: This Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service ("Jury Service Program") as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit I and incorporated by reference into and made a part of this Agreement.

B. Written Employee Jury Service Policy:

(1) Unless Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the

County Code) or that Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), Contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five (5) days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that Employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the Employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.

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

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

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

**60. NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW:** The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby.

The fact sheet is set forth in Exhibit E of this Agreement and is also available on the Internet at [www.babysafela.org](http://www.babysafela.org) for printing purposes.

**61. CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW:** The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post the County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at the Contractor's place of business. The Contractor will also encourage its subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the subcontractor's place of business. The County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply the Contractor with the poster to be used. Information on how to receive the poster can be found on the Internet at [www.babysafela.org](http://www.babysafela.org).

**62. CONTRACTOR'S CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COMPLIANCE:** The Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act regulates entities receiving or raising charitable contributions. The "Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004" (SB 1262, Chapter 919) increased Charitable Purposes Act requirements. By requiring Contractors to complete the certification in Exhibit G, 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)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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64. **FORCE MAJEURE:**

A. 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 subcontractors), freight embargoes, or other similar events to those describe 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 sub-paragraph as "force majeure events").

B. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default be a subcontractor of Contractor shall not constitute a force majeure event, unless such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both Contractor and such subcontractor, and without any fault or negligence of either or them. In such case, Contractor shall not be liable for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit Contractor to meet its obligations under this agreement. As used in this sub-paragraph, the term "subcontractor" and subcontractors" mean subcontractors at any tier.

C. 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.

65. **CONTRACTOR'S 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.

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**66. 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 65 (CONTRACTOR'S 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 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.

**67. BACKGROUND AND SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS:**

A. All Contractor staff performing services under this Contract who are in a designated sensitive position, as determined by County in County's sole discretion, 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 if the member of Contractor's staff passes or fails the background investigation.

B. If a member of Contractor's staff does not pass the background investigation, County may request that the member of Contractor's staff be immediately removed from performing services under the Contract 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.

C. 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.

D. Disqualification of any member of Contractor's staff pursuant to this Paragraph 67 shall not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.



**68. TIME OFF FOR VOTING:** The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the time off for voting law (Elections Code Section 1400). Not less than 10 days before every statewide election, every Contractor and subcontractors 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.

**69. DATA DESTRUCTION:** Contractor that has maintained, processed, or stored the County of Los Angeles' ("County") data and/or information, implied or expressed, has the sole responsibility to certify that the data and information has 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 that certifies and validates the data and information were placed in one or more of the following stored states: unusable, unreadable, and indecipherable.

Contractor 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*. Contractor 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.

**70. PUBLIC RECORDS ACT:**

A. 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 Paragraph 21 – Audit of this Agreement; as well as those documents which were required to be submitted in response to any solicitation conducted by the County for any services and/or programs 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.

(1) County shall notify Contractor upon receipt of a request for such marked documents.

B. 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 agree 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.

**71. 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 I - Contractor’s Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Certification.

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72. **NOTICES:** All notices or demands required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered with signed receipt or mailed by first class, registered or certified mail, postage pre-paid, addressed to the parties at the following addresses and to the attention of the persons named. Director shall have the authority to execute all notices or demands which are required or permitted by County under this Agreement. Addresses and persons to be notified may be changed by either party by giving ten (10) days prior written notice thereof to the other party.

To Contractor: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Attention: \_\_\_\_\_

To County 1: Contracts Development and Administration Division  
550 South Vermont Ave., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Attention: Chief Richard Kushi

To County 2: Office of the Medical Director  
550 South Vermont Ave., 9<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Attention: Russel Kim, Pharmacy Services Chief

To County 3: Accounting Division  
550 South Vermont Ave., 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Attention: Chief Mike Motodani

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

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By \_\_\_\_\_  
MARVIN J. SOUTHARD, D.S.W.  
Director of Mental Health

\_\_\_\_\_  
CONTRACTOR

By \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_  
(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL HERE)

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

APPROVED AS TO CONTRACT  
ADMINISTRATION:

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief, Contracts Development and  
Administration Division CCRF b1rplte FY 2014-15

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, Contractors, 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: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

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: \_\_\_\_\_

**When completed, this form must be maintained on file by CONTRACTOR in accordance with all applicable County, State and Federal requirements and made available for inspection and/or audit by authorized representatives of County, State, and/or Federal governments.**

**CONTRACTOR NON-EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT**

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: \_\_\_\_\_

**When completed, this form must be maintained on file by CONTRACTOR in accordance with all applicable County, State and Federal requirements and made available for inspection and/or audit by authorized representatives of County, State, and/or Federal governments.**

**ATTESTATION REGARDING FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS**

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

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

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

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

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

Name of authorized official \_\_\_\_\_

Please print name

Signature of authorized official \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

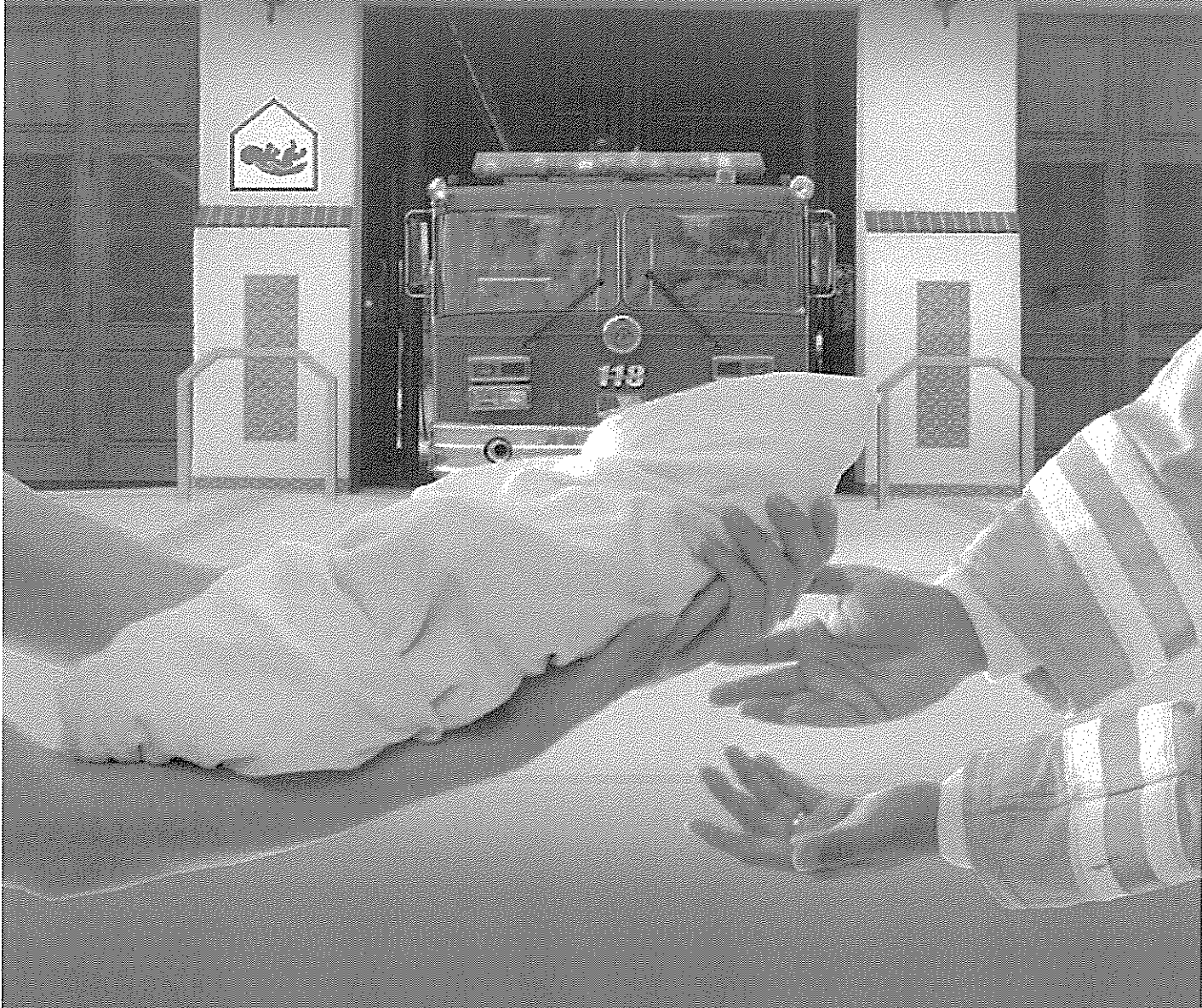


# **SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW**

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# Safely Surrendered Baby Law

## What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

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

## How does it work?

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

## What if a parent wants the baby back?

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

## Can only a parent bring in the baby?

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

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

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

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

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

## What happens to the baby?

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

## What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

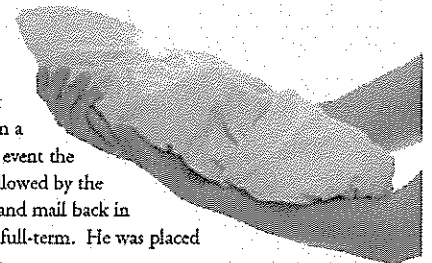
Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

## Why is California doing this?

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

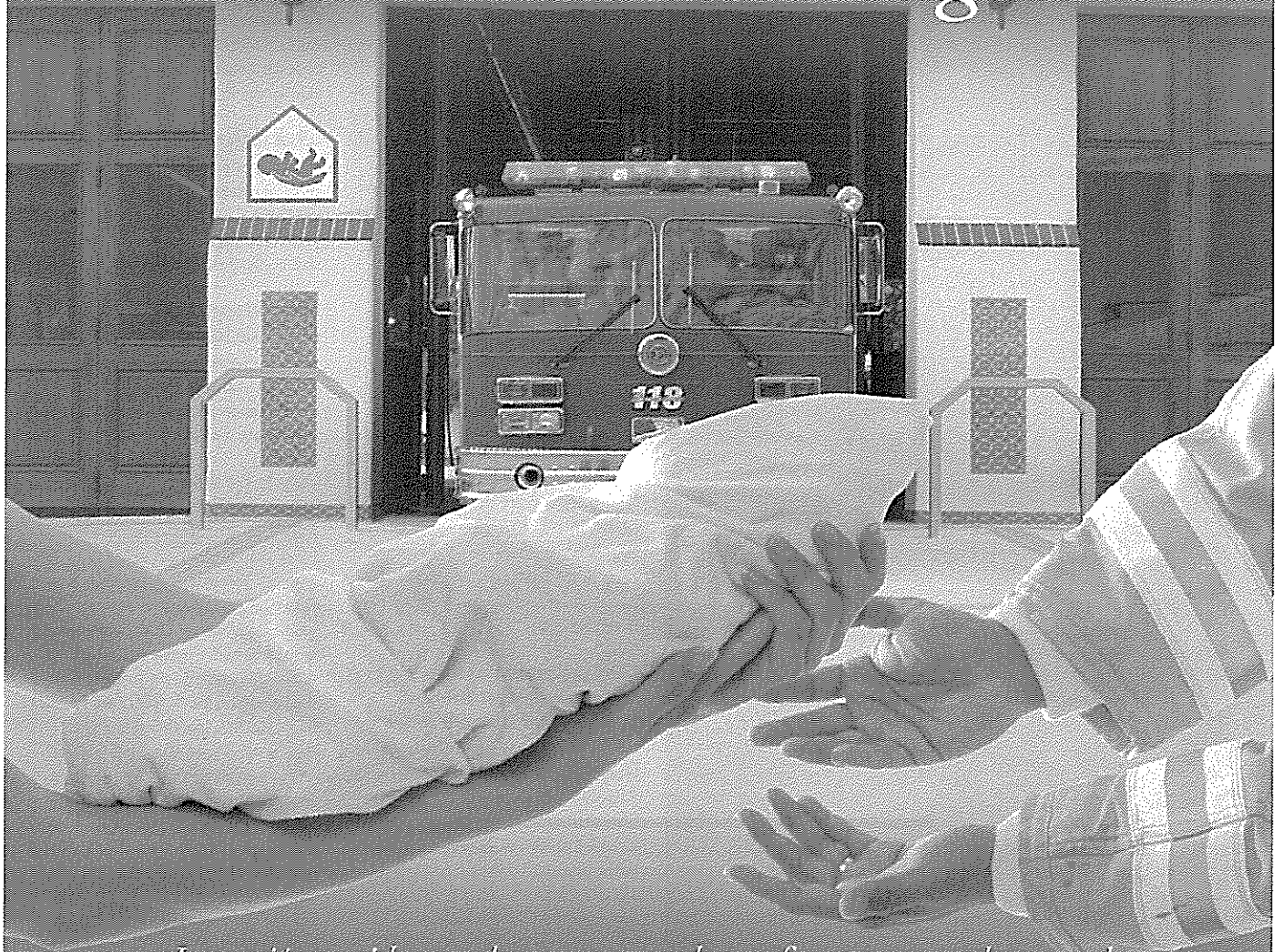
## A baby's story

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





# *Ley de* Entrega de Bebés *Sin Peligro*



*Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados en forma segura al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles*

**Sin pena. Sin culpa. Sin nombres.**

En el Condado de Los Ángeles: 1-877-BABY SAFE • 1-877-222-9723

[www.babysafela.org](http://www.babysafela.org)



# 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 Angeles. 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 Angeles 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?

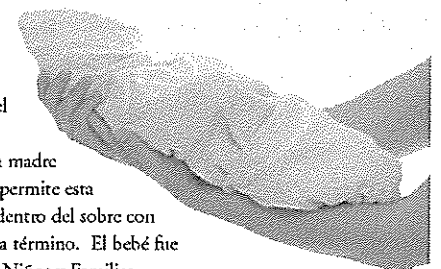
Una vez que los padres o adulto hayan entregado al bebé al personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos, pueden irse en cualquier momento.

## ¿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.





**CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

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

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

**Check the Certification below that is applicable to your company.**

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

**OR**

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title of Signer (please print)

**CONTRACTOR'S EEO CERTIFICATION**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

**GENERAL**

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 written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment.  | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. The Contractor periodically conducts a self-analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.  | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. The Contractor has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.   | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. When problem areas are identified in employment practices, The Contractor has a system for taking reasonable corrective action to include establishment of goal and/or timetables. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Official's Printed Name and Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Official's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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.

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- 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.
- A. "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.
- A. 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)
- B.

**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 J – DMH PHARMACY AGREEMENT

### DEFINITIONS

The following terms, as used in this Agreement, shall have the following meanings:

- A. “Master Agreement List”: means a list of contractors who have submitted a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) in response to County’s Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ), have met the minimum qualifications listed in the RFSQ, and have an executed Master Agreement.
- B. “Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Funds”: The MHSA, adopted by the California electorate on November 2, 2004 creates a new permanent revenue source, administered by the State Department of Mental Health (SDMH), for the transformation and expanded delivery of mental health services provided by State and county agencies and requires the development of integrated plans for prevention, innovation, and system of care services.
- C. “Request for Services (RFS)”: is a second solicitation process to contractors on a pre-qualified Master Agreement that requests specific and detailed services as defined in a Statement of Work at a time when such services are needed.
- D. “Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ)”: A solicitation based on establishing a pool of qualified vendors/contractors to provider services through a Master Agreement.”
- E. “Statement of Qualifications (SOQ)”: means a contractor’s response to an RFSQ.
- F. “Statement of Work (SOW)”: means a written description of services desired by County for a specific Work Order.

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|----|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 1  | A.A.M. Health Group, Inc      | Canoga Park Pharmacy                 | 3                          | 22330 Sherman Way, Suite C3          | Canoga Park     | CA           | 91303           |
| 2  | Alchemy Pharmacies, Inc.      | Abrams and Clark Pharmacy            | 4                          | 3841 Atlantic Avenue                 | Long Beach      | CA           | 90807           |
| 3  | B & G Pharmacy, Inc.          |                                      | 3                          | 5101 Hollywood Blvd.                 | Los Angeles     | CA           | 90027           |
| 4  | B.D.O. Corporation            | Fairfax Pharmacy                     | 3                          | 1111 North Fairfax Avenue, Suite 110 | Los Angeles     | CA           | 90046           |
| 5  | Cassel Boys, Inc.             | Short Stop Pharmacy                  | 2                          | 645 E. Carson St.                    | Carson          | CA           | 90745           |
| 6  | Chong W. Roh                  | El Camino Pharmacy                   | 3                          | 10940 Victory Blvd.                  | North Hollywood | CA           | 91606           |
| 7  | Community Pharmacy, Inc.      | Harbor Outpatient Community Pharmacy | 2                          | 1001 W. Carson St., Suite D          | Torrance        | CA           | 90502           |
| 8  | Dildax Corporation            | Medic Pharmacy                       | 4                          | 16900 Bellflower Blvd.               | Bellflower      | CA           | 90706           |
| 9  | Glesener Pharmacy, Inc.       |                                      | 5                          | 321 N. Citrus Avenue                 | Covina          | CA           | 91723           |
| 10 | Goldfarb Rx Enterprises, Inc. | Central Pharmacy                     | 3                          | 900 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 104        | Santa Monica    | CA           | 90401           |

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|----|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 11 | John's Shop-Rite Pharmacy, Inc. |                             | 4                          | 3717 East South Street         | Long Beach       | CA           | 90805           |
| 12 | Marvin Lieblein, Incorporated   | Family Pharmacy             | 4                          | 1400 Atlantic Avenue           | Long Beach       | CA           | 90813           |
| 13 | Mike Lord                       | Crown Drugs                 | 2                          | 657 E. University Dr.          | Carson           | CA           | 90746           |
| 14 | Nisha Pharmacy, Inc.            | Alpha Drugs                 | Out of County              | 1240 South Magnolia Avenue     | Anaheim          | CA           | 92804           |
| 15 | Olympic Gerhart Pharmacy, Inc.  | Olympic Pharmacy            | 1                          | 5724 E. Olympic Blvd.          | City of Commerce | CA           | 90022           |
| 16 | Phnom Pich Pharmacy, Inc.       | Phnom Pich Pharmacy, Inc.   | 4                          | 2338 E. Anaheim St., Suite 100 | Long Beach       | CA           | 90804           |
| 17 | Plaza Pharmacy                  |                             | 2                          | 11930 Hawthorne Boulevard      | Hawthorne        | CA           | 90250           |
| 18 | RelyOn Pharmacy, Inc.           | Value Care Pharmacy         | Out of County              | 17662 Irvine Blvd. Ste. 14     | Tustin           | CA           | 92780-3133      |
| 19 | Roxsan Pharmacy Inc.            |                             | 3                          | 465 N. Roxbury Drive           | Beverly Hills    | CA           | 90210           |
| 20 | RXTS Drug Co.                   | Yee's Prescription Pharmacy | 4                          | 1703 Termino Avenue            | Long Beach       | CA           | 90804           |
| 21 | Sumi Pharmacies, Inc.           | Wards Pharmacy              | 4                          | 653 Long Beach Boulevard       | Long Beach       | CA           | 90802           |
| 22 | Super Market Pharmacy           |                             | 1                          | 6039 E. Florence Avenue        | Bell Gardens     | CA           | 90201           |

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|----|---|---|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 23 | Thu Pharmacy                                  |   | 2                          | 15735 Hawthorne Blvd., Suite 110 | Lawndale    | CA           | 90260           |
| 24 | Vine Discount Pharmacy & Medical Supply, Inc. | Vine Discount Pharmacy & Medical Supply | 3                          | 1253 N. Vine, Suite 11           | Los Angeles | CA           | 90038           |
| 25 | William Chung                                 | CBC Royalty Pharmacy                    | 1                          | 2095 W. Arrow Route              | Upland      | CA           | 91786           |
| 26 | Zaher Pharmacy & Medical Supply, Inc.         | Nofel Pharmacy                          | 1                          | 507 S. Spring Street             | Los Angeles | CA           | 90013           |