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DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

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



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**Dear Supervisors:** 

# RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD MASTER AGREEMENTS FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT COMMUNITY SERVICES AND SUPPORTS PLAN SERVICES (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

# IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Approve and authorize the Director of Mental Health or his designee to establish a Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Master Agreement list of pre-qualified contractors and to prepare, sign, and execute a MHSA Master Agreements/Amendments with each of the 103 pre-qualified contractors listed on Attachment I, in formats substantially similar to the sample Master Agreement/Master Amendment provided in Attachments II and III, which have been approved as to form by County Counsel. The MHSA Master Agreements/Master Amendments will be effective the date of execution with two (2) one-year renewal options exercisable by DMH. A MHSA Master Agreement will be issued to new Department of Mental Health (DMH) contractors and a MHSA Master Amendment will be issued to existing DMH contractors.
- 2. Delegate authority to the Director of Mental Health to sign MHSA Master Agreements/Master Amendments with additional contractors during the ensuing three-year period that meet all minimum requirements and qualifications as outlined in the initial Request for Statement of Qualifications approved by your Board under Item No. 16 of Agenda dated November 15, 2005, and to update DMH's MHSA Master Agreement list with additional pre-qualified contractors.

# PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the requested actions is to establish a MHSA Master Agreement list (Attachment I) comprised of 103 pre-qualified contractors in accordance with the Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) process approved by your Board on November 15, 2005. The establishment of a MHSA Master Agreement list is a key component in the RFSQ process (initial and ongoing) which provides a streamlined solicitation process that is a fair and equitable alternative to the Request for Proposals (RFP) process and meets County policies. All contractors have met the minimum qualifications listed in the RFSQ and have demonstrated relevant experience and capacity to provide the various services detailed in DMH's Community Services and Supports (CSS) Plan approved by the State Department of Mental Health (SDMH) on February 14, 2006. DMH will, on a continuous basis, accept and evaluate proposers' Statement of Qualifications (SOQs) and execute MHSA Master Agreements/Master Amendments with qualified contractors. The execution of a MHSA Master Agreement/Master Amendment does not guarantee a contractor any amount of MHSA funding.

Once your Board has approved the issuance of MHSA Master Agreements/Master Amendments with the 103 contractors, DMH can proceed with Phase II – Request for Services (RFS) of the RFSQ solicitation process. During the RFS Phase II and based on SDMH's approval of each component of DMH's CSS Plan and the development of detailed and specific Statements of Work (SOWs), a RFS will be sent to contractors on the MHSA Master Agreement list for the solicitation of specific service categories and target populations.

# Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended Board actions are consistent with the principles of the County's Organizational Goal No. 3, "Organizational Effectiveness." Approval of the initial MHSA Master Agreement list and the implementation of Phase II of the RFSQ process will improve the delivery, efficiency, and effectiveness of mental health operations governed by the MHSA across the entire service delivery system of directly-operated and contract providers, fee-for-service network providers, and hospitals.

# FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no impact on net County cost.

Approval of MHSA Master Agreements/Master Amendments does not guarantee any contract amount or allocation of resources. Approval of these proposed actions merely provides DMH with a list of qualified contractors who will then be used, through the RFS process, to allocate MHSA resources.

It is anticipated that DMH will return to your Board in March 2006 with a request for acceptance of the MHSA funds, a spending plan, and a matching Budget Adjustment.

# FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The DMH CSS Plan, a conceptual framework designed to create a culturally competent mental health system, which promotes recovery and wellness for adults and older adults with severe mental illness and resiliency for children and youth with serious emotional disorders and their families, was submitted to SDMH on October 13, 2005, and approved on February 14, 2006. DMH has implemented a two-phase, ongoing RFSQ solicitation process, approved by your Board, to establish a MHSA Master Agreement list of pre-qualified contractors that will provide mental health services in accordance with DMH's CSS Plan.

- Phase I: Statement of Qualifications (SOQ): The intent of this phase is to qualify proposers for multiple parts of the CSS Plan. Utilizing the RFSQ ongoing process, DMH has been and will continue to solicit for various types of services under the CSS Plan. The first section of the RFSQ includes Countywide requirements, such as insurance coverage, financial viability, jury service, child support, etc. This section will remain the same for all services solicited under the CSS Plan. The second section of the RFSQ identifies skill categories, experience, and capacities required for each specific service. The SOQ allows potential contractors, upfront, to identify what services they are qualified for or capable of providing. Phase I has enabled and will continue to enable DMH to assess and ensure that proposers not only meet the minimum County qualifications, but also identify the general services for which they are eligible/able to provide. The SOQ responses from proposers have been used to establish the initial MHSA Master Agreement list that, in turn, will be used to identify and select qualified contractors during Phase II.
- Phase II: Request for Services (RFS): The intent of Phase II is to select contractors identified in Phase I that represent a capacity to deliver specific services, depending on the RFS' SOW for each service, age and/or focal population category. Based on SDMH approval of each component of the CSS Plan and the development of SOWs, a RFS will be sent to all contractors that have been pre-qualified under the RFSQ, are on the MHSA Master Agreement list, and have indicated an interest in providing a specific service or serving a specific age group. Those RFS that include very detailed and explicit SOWs identifying service categories and target populations will be issued only to those contractors on the Master Agreement list that would best be able to fulfill the SOW based on their pre-qualifications.

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At this point DMH does not anticipate narrowing the list of MHSA Master Agreement contractors to be sent a RFS under Phase II. If such narrowing does occur in the future, then DMH will develop a formal policy and issue an Addendum to the RFSQ that will state such selection criteria.

Details on monitoring and measurement of required performance outcomes will be determined with each SOW, as will the development of the necessary infrastructure to track outcomes over time.

DMH developed a methodology based on poverty and other factors to determine distribution of the Full Service Partnership (FSP) slots across the County. FSPs are only one component of the CSS Plan, but they represent over 51 percent of the total dollars. Multiple providers will be chosen in each of the Service Areas to provide FSPs on a competitive basis. As scope of works are developed for additional components of the CSS Plan, careful attention will be paid to ensuring an equitable distribution of services across the service areas using methodologies similar to that used for FSPs.

*Initial Round Contractor Selection*: The emphasis on the first round of contractor selection has been on those with demonstrated experience. This will enable DMH to provide services as quickly as possible under the MHSA CSS Plan funding. Because SDMH did not issue approval of the CSS Plan until February 14, 2006, services utilizing FY 2005-2006 funds can most expeditiously be delivered by experienced mental health providers. Consequently, the initial MHSA Master Agreement list includes those contractors with the capacity to provide services immediately. DMH will encourage subcontracting with community-based organizations and building the infrastructure for agencies that do not meet the initial requirements under the RFSQ.

DMH has already begun establishing formal policies and procedures for evaluating proposals and selecting contractors under Phase II. DMH has developed drafts for an Evaluation Guide for proposals submitted under the MHSACSS Plan, a Confidentiality Statement to be signed by evaluators, a Statement of Non-Conflict of Interest to be signed by evaluators, Instructions for Scoring Proposals, and Proposal Evaluation Worksheets for each of the FSP age-specific proposals.

#### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

As stated earlier, on November 15, 2005, your Board approved DMH's MHSA RFSQ solicitation process for MHSA services as detailed in the CSS Plan. Then, on November 16, 2005, the MHSA RFSQ was distributed to the public via 1) a mailing to approximately 1,200 agencies on the Department's Bidders' list that included a Compact Disk (CD) containing the entire RFSQ solicitation document; and 2) a posting under "Bids and RFP's" on the County's Internet site as well as an "open solicitation" posting on DMH's own website. Announcements were published in 18 newspapers

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whose circulations are based either on 1) Countywide (i.e., Los Angeles Times), 2) ethnic (i.e., Asberez, Chinese Daily News, Korea Times, La Opinon), and/or 3) local community (i.e., Antelope Valley Press, Compton Bulletin, Pasadena Star News, Whittier Daily News) distributions.

Listed on Attachment I are 103 contractors that met the minimum qualifications set forth in the MHSA RFSQ during the initial round of solicitation reviews. Presently the list of 103 pre-qualified contractors is comprised of current DMH contractors; solicitation reviews of new, non-DMH contractors' SOQs have yet to be completed. Once such reviews are completed and it has been determined that new, non-DMH contractors' SOQs meet minimum qualifications, they will be added to the MHSA Master Agreement list via delegated authority.

Upon Board approval, DMH will execute MHSA Master Agreement/Master Amendments with contractors listed on Attachment I and establish a MHSA Master Agreement list of pre-qualified contractors. Execution of a MHSA Master Agreement/Master Amendment does not guarantee any contract amount or allocation of resources.

When the initial MHSA Master Agreement list is established, DMH will move to the second step of the RFSQ process issuing specific RFSs that include detailed and specific SOWs by service type, target population, and area of service delivery.

Three (3) contractors - Child and Family Guidance Center, Kedren Community Health Center, and Pacific Clinics - currently have outstanding Settlement Agreements with DMH. These contractors have been selected to be on the Master Agreement list; however, there will be a moratorium on expansion and/or implementation of any new programs for these and other contractors with Settlement Agreements during the repayment period. Any exemption from this penalty will require justification that this restriction would negatively impact planned program services.

The MHSA Master Agreement/Master Amendment format has been approved as to form by County Counsel. The CAO has reviewed the proposed actions. Clinical and administrative staff of DMH will also continue to administer and supervise the agreements, evaluate programs to ensure that quality services are being provided to clients, and ensure that Master Agreement/Master Amendment provisions and DMH policies are being followed.

This is not a Proposition A or cafeteria services contract; the Living Wage requirements are, therefore, not applicable. All recommended contractors will agree to abide by the County's Indemnification and Insurance requirements and all Board mandated requirements that include, but are not limited to, Contractor Responsibility and Debarment and Contractor's Charitable Activities Compliance requirements.

### IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

Approval of the MHSA Master Agreement list and the eventual acceptance of MHSA funds from SDMH will begin the contracting process that will increase the service delivery system to include more contractors who will have the capability of "doing whatever it takes" to meet the needs of the CCS Plan target populations to attain their goals toward recovery.

### **CONCLUSION**

The Department of Mental Health will need one (1) copy of the adopted Board's action. It is requested that the Executive Officer of the Board notifies the Department of Mental Health's Contracts Development and Administration Division at (213) 738-4684 when this document is available.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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Attachments (3)

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#### LOS ANGELES COUNTY - DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH Contracts and Administration Division

### MHSA Master Agreement List

| 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | LICE<br>Diside     | Contractor   | Type of Contract | Contract No. |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--|------------------|--------------|
| 1                                     | Amaria de Carelera | 8025 Sepulveda LLC   | Residential Care | 02182        |
| 2                                     | 2                  | Akila Concepts   | Basic Living     | 02033        |
| 3                                     | 1                  | ASC Treatment Group  | Legal Entity     | 02270        |
| 4                                     | 1                  | Associated League of Mexican Americans, Inc.                       | Legal Entity     | 02273        |
| 5                                     | 2                  | Barbour & Floyd Medical Associates                                 | Legal Entity     | 02097        |
| 6                                     | 2                  | Behavioral Health Services, Inc.                                   | Legal Entity     | 02098        |
| 7                                     | 1                  | Bell Gradens Pharmacy  | Pharmacy         | 01669        |
| 8                                     | 5                  | Bienvenidos Children's Center, Inc.                                | Legal Entity     | 02274        |
| 9                                     | 3                  | California Care Centers, Inc.                                      | Residential Care | 01703        |
| 10                                    | 1                  | California Hispanic Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Inc.     | Legal Entity     | 02099        |
| 11                                    | 3                  | Cedars-Sinai Medical Center  | Legal Entity     | 02280        |
| 12                                    | 5                  | Center for Integrated Family and Health Services, Inc.             | Legal Entity     | 02281        |
| 13                                    | 5                  | Child & Family Center  | Legal Entity     | 02282        |
| 14                                    | 3                  | Child and Family Guidance Center                                   | Legal Entity     | 02283        |
| 15                                    | 2                  | Children's Institute, Inc.   | Legal Entity     | 02286        |
| 16                                    | 5                  | Clevert S. King, Ph.D.   | Assessor         | 01318        |
| 17                                    | 1                  | Community Counseling Service (Amanecer)                            | Legal Entity     | 02288        |
| 18                                    | 4                  | Community Family Guidance Center                                   | Legal Entity     | 02289        |
| 19                                    | 4                  | Counseling & Research Associates                                   | Legal Entity     | 02104        |
| 20                                    | 3                  | Counseling4Kids  | Legal Entity     | 02290        |
| 21                                    | 5                  | David & Margaret Home, Inc.  | Legal Entity     | 02291        |
| 22                                    | 5                  | David M. McCully, LCSW   | Assessor         | 02238        |
| 23                                    | All                | Devereux California  | Legal Entity     | 02292        |
| 24                                    | 2                  | Didi Hirsch Psychiatric Service                                    | Legal Entity     | 02293        |
| 25                                    | 4                  | Dildax Corporation   | Pharmacy         | 01887        |
| 26                                    | 2                  | Drew Child Development Corporation                                 | Legal Entity     | 02294        |
| 27                                    | 3                  | Dubnoff Center for Child Development and Educational Therapy, Inc. | Legal Entity     | 02295        |
| 28                                    | 5                  | D'Veal Corporation   | Legal Entity     | 02105        |
| 29                                    | 3                  | El Camino Pharmacy   | Pharmacy         | 01678        |
| 30                                    | 1                  | El Centro Del Pueblo   | Legal Entity     | 02297        |
| 31                                    | 5                  | El Dorado Community Service Center                                 | LE Oganizational | 02298        |
| 32                                    | 4                  | Emergency Ambulance Service, Inc.                                  | Ambulance Svce.  | 02057        |
| 33                                    | 5                  | Enki Health & Research Systems, Inc.                               | Legal Entity     | 02300        |
| 34                                    | 1                  | Ettie Lee Homes, Inc.  | Legal Entity     | 02302        |
| 35                                    | 2                  | Exodus Recovery, Inc.  | Legal Entity     | 02303        |
| 36                                    |                    | Florence Crittenton Center   | Legal Entity     | 02307        |
|                                       | Out of             |  |                  |              |
| 37                                    | County             | Florence Crittenton Services for Children & Families, Inc.         | Legal Entity     | 02308        |
| 38                                    | 5                  | Foothill Family Service  | Legal Entity     | 02309        |
| 39                                    | 4                  | For the Child, Inc.  | Legal Entity     | 02310        |
| 40                                    | 1                  | Gateways Hospital & Mental Health Center                           | Legal Entity     | 02311        |
| 41                                    | 2                  | Gay and Lesbian Adolescent Social Services, Inc.                   | Legal Entity     | 02312        |
| 42                                    | 3                  | Hamburger Home   | Legal Entity     | 02313        |
| 43                                    | 4                  | Harbor View Rehabilitation Center (Sunbridge)                      | Legal Entity     | 02106        |
| 44                                    | 5                  | Hathaway-Sycamores Child and Family Services                       | Legal Entity     | 02314        |
| 45                                    | 4                  | Healthview Inc.  | Legal Entity     | 02316        |
| 46                                    | 4                  | Helpline Youth Counseling, Inc.                                    | Legal Entity     | 02317        |
| 47                                    | 5                  | Heritage Clinic  | Legal Entity     | 02318        |

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| 48 | 5   | Hillsides   | Legal Entity      | 02319        |
| 49 | 3   | Hillview Mental Health Center, Inc.                                       | Legal Entity      | 02320        |
| 50 | 4   | Homes for Life Foundation   | Legal Entity      | 02321        |
| 51 | 2   | Institute for Multicultural Counseling & Education Services, Inc.         | Legal Entity      | 02322        |
| 52 | 5   | Institute for The Redesign of Learning                                    | Legal Entity      | 02323        |
| 53 | 1   | Intercommunity Child Guidance Center                                      | Legal Entity      | 02324        |
| 54 | 2   | Kedren Community Health Center, Inc.                                      | Legal Entity      | 02327        |
| 55 | 3   | Kids First Foundation   | Legal Entity      | 02328        |
| 56 | 2   | Koreatown Youth & Community Center  | Legal Entity      | 02329        |
| 57 | 2   | Lamp Community  | Legal Entity      | 02330        |
| 58 | 5   | Life Peace Counseling Services, Inc.                                      | Ind. FFS provider | 23557        |
| 59 | All | Lisa Wulkan, LCSW   | Assessor          | 02263        |
| 60 | All | Lorah L. Joe  | Assessor          | 02228        |
| 61 | 2   | Los Angeles Child Guidance Clinic   | Legal Entity      | 02332        |
| 62 | 3   | Los Angeles Orphans Home Society  | Legal Entity      | 02109        |
| 63 | 1   | Los Angeles Unified School District (97th St. Clinic)                     | Legal Entity      | 02335        |
| 64 | 5   | McKinley Children's Center  | Legal Entity      | 02337        |
| 65 | 2   | Memorial MediCal Center Pharmacy  | Pharmacy          | 02153        |
| 66 | 3   | Meyers Pharmacy   | Pharmacy          | 02154        |
| 67 | 4   | National Mental Health Association of Greater Los Angeles                 | Legal Entity      | 02339        |
| 68 | 3   | Ocean Park Community Center   | Legal Entity      | 02341        |
| 69 | 1   | Olympic Pharmacy  | Pharmacy          | 01689        |
| 70 | 5   | Pacific Clinics   | Legal Entity      | 02343        |
| 71 | 2   | Para Los Ninos  | Legal Entity      | 02345        |
| 72 | 2   | Parenting Institute Incorporated  | LE Oganizational  | 02346        |
| 73 | 5   | Pasadena Unified School District  | Legal Entity      | 02348        |
| 74 | 3   | Penny Lane Centers  | Legal Entity      | 02114        |
| 75 | 3   | Phoenix Houses of Los Angeles, Inc.                                       | Legal Entity      | 02115        |
| 76 | 2   | Portals   | Legal Entity      | 02351        |
| 77 | 2   | Prototypes, Centers for Innovation in Health, Mental Health and Social Se | Legal Entity      | 02352        |
| 78 | 4   | Providence Community Services (Aspen)                                     | Legal Entity      | 02272        |
| 79 | 5   | Rosemary Children's Services  | Legal Entity      | 02353        |
| 80 | 3   | San Fernando Valley Community Mental Health Center, Inc.                  | Legal Entity      | 02354        |
| 81 | 5   | San Garbiel Children's Center, Inc.                                       | Legal Entity      | 02355        |
| 82 | 2   | SHIELDS For Families, Inc.  | Legal Entity      | 02120        |
| 83 | 1   | Skid Row Development Corporation  | Basic Living      | 02045        |
| 84 | 5   | Social Model Recovery Systems, Inc.                                       | Legal Entity      | 02357        |
| 85 | 4   | South Bay Children's Health Center Association, Inc.                      | Legal Entity      | 02358        |
| 86 | 2   | South Central Health & Rehabilitation Program                             | Legal Entity      | 02359        |
| 87 | 1   | Special Service for Groups  | Legal Entity      | 02360        |
| 88 | 1   | St. Anne's  | Legal Entity      | 02361        |
| 89 | 3   | St. John's Child and Family Development Center                            | Legal Entity      | 12362        |
| 90 | 4   | Star View Adolescent Center, Inc.   | Legal Entity      | 02122        |
| 91 | 3   | Step Up on Second   | Legal Entity      | 02123        |
| 92 | 3   | Tarzana Treatment Centers, Inc.   | Legal Entity      | 02124        |
| 93 | 4   | Telecare Corporation  | Legal Entity      | 02125        |
| 94 | 5   | The Children's Center of the Antelope Valley                              | Legal Entity      | 02364        |
| 95 | 4   | The Guidance Center   | Legal Entity      | 02365        |

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| 97  | 2                     | The Village Family Services                     | Legal Entity     | 02367        |
| 98  | 2                     | Transitional Living Centers                     | Legal Entity     | 02370        |
| 99  | 1                     | Trinity Youth Services                          | Legal Entity     | 02372        |
| 100 | 5                     | Verdugo Mental Health                           | Legal Entity     | 02374        |
| 101 | 1                     | VIP Community Health Center, Inc.               | Legal Entity     | 02375        |
| 102 | 2                     | Vista del Mar Child and Family Services         | Legal Entity     | 02376        |
| 103 | 8                     | Yee's Prescription Pharmacy (RXTS Drug Company) | Pharmacy         | 01693        |

# **ATTACHMENT II**

CONTRACT NUMBER

REFERENCE NUMBER

Business Address:

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Supervisorial District(s)

### MASTER AGREEMENT

# MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT

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- B. CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT
- C. CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT
- D. ATTESTATION REGARDING FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS
- E. FACT SHEET "SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW"
- F. CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION

#### MASTER AGREEMENT

THIS MASTER AGREEMENT (hereafter "Agreement") is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2005, by and between \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_\_ (hereafter "Contractor") and the County of Los Angeles, on behalf of its Department of Mental Health (hereafter "County") with the following business address at \_\_\_\_\_\_.

# RECITALS

WHEREAS, the County has a need for, and desires to engage the services of an individual or firm with special expertise and experience to act as a Contractor to the County for the provision of \_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_; and

WHEREAS, Contractor is specifically trained and possesses the skills, experience, education, and competency to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to provide to those persons in Los Angeles County who qualify therefor, certain mental health services contemplated and authorized by the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) adopted by the California electorate on November 2, 2004, and solicited by County through the Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) process; and

WHEREAS, County's Department of Mental Health solicits Statement of Qualifications (SOQs) from prospective providers of mental health services in order to establish a non-exclusive list of pre-qualified contractors that will have met the minimum qualifications listed in the RFSQ and will have demonstrated relevant experience and staff capability to provide certain services contemplated and authorized by the MHSA under the Agreement; and

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

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

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

#### PREAMBLE

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

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

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

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

The basic conditions that represent the well-being we seek for all children and families in Los Angeles County are delineated in the following five outcomes, adopted

by the Board of Supervisors in January 1993.

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

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

- ✓ Families are treated with respect in every encounter they have with the health, educational, and social services systems.
- ✓ Families can easily access a broad range of services to address their needs, build on their strengths, and achieve their goals.
- ✓ There is no "wrong door": wherever a family enters the system is the right place.
- ✓ Families receive services tailored to their unique situations and needs.
- ✓ Service providers and advocates involve families in the process of determining service plans, and proactively provide families with coordinated comprehensive information, services and resources.
- ✓ The County service system is flexible, able to respond to service demands for both the Countywide population and specific population groups.
- ✓ The County service system acts to strengthen communities, recognizing that just as individuals live in families, families live in communities.
- ✓ In supporting families and communities, County agencies work seamlessly with public and private service providers, community-based organizations, and other community partners.
- ✓ County agencies and their partners work together seamlessly to demonstrate substantial progress towards making the system more strength-based, family-

focused, culturally-competent, accessible, user-friendly, responsive, cohesive, efficient, professional, and accountable.

- ✓ County agencies and their partners focus on administrative and operational enhancements to optimize the sharing of information, resources, and best practices while also protecting the privacy rights of families.
- County agencies and their partners pursue multi-disciplinary service delivery, a single service plan, staff development opportunities, infrastructure enhancements, customer service and satisfaction evaluation, and revenue maximization.
- County agencies and their partners create incentives to reinforce the direction toward service integration and a seamless service delivery system.
- ✓ The County human service system embraces a commitment to the disciplined pursuit of results accountability across systems. Specifically, any strategy designed to improve the County human services system for children and families should ultimately be judged by whether it helps achieve the County's five outcomes for children and families: good health, safety and survival, economic well-being, social and emotional well-being, and education and workforce readiness.

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

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

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# Personal Service Delivery

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

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

# Service Access

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

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

# Service Environment

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

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

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

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

2.0 <u>APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS</u>: Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, and F, are attached to and form a part of this Agreement. Any reference throughout the base agreement and each of its exhibits to "Agreement" shall, unless the context clearly denotes otherwise, denote the base agreement with all exhibits hereby incorporated. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in meaning or provisions between the base agreement and the exhibits, or between exhibits, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the base agreement, and then to the exhibits according to the following priority:

- 1. Exhibit A Statement of Work
- 2. Exhibit B Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement
- 3. Exhibit C Contractor Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement
- 4. Exhibit D Attestation Regarding Federally Funded Programs
- 5. Exhibit E Safely Surrendered Baby Law Fact Sheet (In English & Spanish)
- 6. Exhibit F Charitable Contributions Certification

3.0 <u>SERVICES PROVIDED</u>: Contractor has been found to be eligible to provide mental health services claimable as MHSA services as set forth in Exhibit A (Statement of Work) and Exhibit B (Financial Summary which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

In order to be eligible to provide 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 RFSQ for the provision of such services, and Contractor has met the minimum qualifications listed in the RFSQ and been selected for recommendation for placement on a MHSA Master Agreement eligibility list as being qualified to deliver \_\_\_\_\_\_ MHSA services based on Contractor's SOQ.

Execution of this Agreement and placement on the MHSA Master Agreement 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.

4.0 <u>TERM OF AGREEMENT</u>: The period of this Agreement shall commence on \_\_\_\_\_\_and shall continue in full force and effect through\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. This Agreement shall be automatically renewed for the next two fiscal years without further action by the parties hereto unless either party desires to terminate this Agreement at the end of the initial period and gives written notice to the other party not less than thirty days prior to the end of the initial period.

A. <u>Six Months Notification of Agreement Expiration</u>: 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 44.0 (NOTICES).

5.0 <u>COMPENSATION</u>:

5.1 In consideration of the performance by Contractor in a manner satisfactory to County of the services described in Exhibit A (Statement of Work). Contractor shall be paid in accordance with Exhibit B, (Financial Summary). Maximum contract amount (MCA) for all services furnished hereunder shall not exceed the sum of

\_\_\_\_\_\_DOLLARS (\$\_\_\_\_\_\_) for Fiscal Year 200 -200 and \_\_\_\_\_\_ DOLLARS (\$\_\_\_\_\_\_) for Fiscal Year 200 -200 Notwithstanding such limitation of funds, Contractor agrees to satisfactorily complete all work specified in Exhibit A (Statement of Work). To request payment, Contractor shall present to County's Program Manager monthly in arrears invoices accompanied by a statement of the number of hours worked daily by each individual assigned to the project and a report of work completed for the invoice period. This report shall be prepared in a format satisfactory to County's Program Manager or his/her designated representative.

 5.2 The Maximum Contract Amount for this Agreement shall not exceed

 \_\_\_\_\_\_DOLLARS (\$\_\_\_\_\_\_) for Fiscal Year 200 -200 and \_\_\_\_\_\_

 \_\_\_\_\_\_DOLLARS (\$\_\_\_\_\_\_) for Fiscal Year

<u>200 -200</u>. In no event shall County pay Contractor more than this Maximum Contract Amount for Contractor's performance hereunder. Payment to Contractor shall be only upon written approval of the invoice and report by County's Program Manager or his/her designated representative.

Contractor shall submit invoices to:

County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health

550 South Vermont Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90020 ATTN: <u>Program Manager</u>

5.3 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, in no event shall County pay Contractor more than this Maximum Contract Amount for Contractor's performance hereunder during the Initial Period. Furthermore, Contractor shall inform County when up to 75 percent (75%) of the Maximum Contract Amount has been incurred. Contractor shall send such notice to those persons and addresses which are set forth in Paragraph 44.0 (NOTICES).

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

5.5 <u>Mental Health Services Act (MHSA)</u>: The execution of Agreements issued under the MHSA RFSQ does not guarantee a Contractor any certain amount of funding. Contractor shall not be entitled to any payment of MHSA funds by County under this Agreement except pursuant to validly executed and satisfactorily performed Work Orders or Amendments completed in accordance with County issued MHSA Request for Services (RFS) that includes specific and detailed Statement(s) of Work.

6.0 REPORTING RESPONSIBILITY AND USE OF COUNTY RESOURCES:

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#### 6.1 <u>County's Program Manager</u>:

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

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

6.2 <u>Contractor's Project Manager</u>: Contractor's Project Manager shall be responsible for coordination of all administrative and contractual matters relating to this Agreement, including, but not limited to, allocation of Contractor's resources, submission of invoices, and resolution of any questions/disputes. Contractor's Project Manager shall be: \_\_\_\_\_\_.

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

8.0 INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE:

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

8.2 <u>General Insurance Requirements</u>: Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County and during the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide

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and maintain, and shall require all of its SubContractors to maintain, the following programs of insurance specified in this Agreement. Such insurance shall be primary to and not contributing with any other insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by County, and such coverage shall be provided and maintained at Contractor's own expense.

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

(a) Specifically identify this Agreement

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

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

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

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

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

3) <u>Failure to Maintain Coverage</u>: Failure by Contractor to maintain the required insurance, or to provide evidence of insurance coverage acceptable to County,

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

4) <u>Notification of Incidents, Claims or Suits</u>: Contractor shall report to County:

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

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

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

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

5) <u>Compensation for County Costs</u>: In the event that Contractor fails to comply with any

of the indemnification or insurance requirements of this Agreement, and such failure to comply results in any costs to County, Contractor shall pay full compensation for all costs incurred by County.

6) <u>Insurance Coverage Requirements for SubContractors</u>: Contractor shall ensure any and all sub-Contractors performing services under this Agreement meet the insurance requirements of this Agreement by either:

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

(b) Contractor providing evidence submitted by sub-Contractors evidencing that sub-Contractors maintain the required insurance coverage. County

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retains the right to obtain copies of evidence of sub-Contractor insurance coverage at any time.

8.3 Insurance Coverage Requirements:

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

General Aggregate: Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) Products/Completed Operations Aggregate One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000)

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

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

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

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

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

5) <u>Property Coverage</u>: Such insurance shall be endorsed naming the

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County of Los Angeles as loss payee, provide deductibles of no greater than 5% of the property value, and shall include:

<u>Real Property and All Other Personal Property</u> – Special form (allrisk) coverage for the full replacement value of County-owned or leased property.

9.0 <u>CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY</u> <u>AGREEMENT</u>: Contractor shall provide to County an executed Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement (Exhibit E) prior to performing work under this Agreement. Such Agreement shall be delivered to <u>Department of Mental</u> <u>Health, ATTN: Chief, Contracts Development and Administration Division, 550 South</u> <u>Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90020</u> on or immediately after the effective date of this Agreement but in no event later than the date the Contractor first performs work under this Agreement.

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

11.0 <u>TITLE TO PROPERTY</u>: County and Contractor agree that all design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, and all other original materials and work product produced by the Contractor pursuant to performance under this Agreement, are the sole property of the Contractor.

County and Contractor agree that all data, including enhancements and modifications of the data, generated during the course of this agreement shall remain the sole property of the County.

Contractor further agrees that any documentation or technical materials provided by County or generated by County or Contractor during the course of Contractor performance pursuant to this Agreement shall not be reproduced or disclosed without the prior written consent of County's Project Manager.

#### 12.0 TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT:

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

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

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

B. Transfer title and deliver to County all completed work and work in process; and

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

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

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

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

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County for travel, per diem, and other cost incurred by County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy or transcribe such material at such other location.

# 13.0 <u>LIMITATION OF COUNTY'S OBLIGATION TO NON-APPROPRIATION OF</u> FUNDS:

13.1 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 any of County's future fiscal years unless and until County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for this Agreement. If County's Board of Supervisors fails to appropriate funds for this Agreement then this Agreement shall terminate as of June 30 of the last year for which funds were appropriated.

13.2 In the event that County's Board of Supervisors adopts a budget policy for any fiscal year which requires reductions in permissible payments hereunder, or cancellation of County contracts, this Agreement shall be subject to such policy.

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

# 14.0 DELEGATION AND ASSIGNMENT BY CONTRACTOR:

A. Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under the 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 the Agreement, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under the Agreement shall be deductible, at County's sole discretion, against the claims which Contractor may have against County.

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

assignment requiring the prior written consent of County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Agreement.

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

#### 15.0 SUBCONTRACTING:

A. No performance of this Agreement or any portion thereof may be subcontracted by Contractor without the prior written consent of County, as provided in this Paragraph 15.0. 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 subcontract 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

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compensation, together with Contractor's cost or 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 State funds, shall also contain the following provision:

"The contracting parties shall be subject to the examination and audit of the Auditor General for a period of three (3) years after final payment under contract (Government Code, Section 8546.7)."

The Contractor will also be subject to the examination and audit of the State Auditor General for a period of three (3) years after final payment under contract (Government Code, Section 8546.7).

(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 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, not shall such approval limit in any way contractor's performance, obligations, or responsibilities, or responsibilities, to County, not shall such approval limit in any way any of County's rights or remedies contained in this

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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 or 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 <u>15.0</u> 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.

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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 <u>15.0</u>, 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 SubContractor Employee Acknowledgement or Employer, in the form as contained in the Agreement, for each SubContractor's employees performing services under the subcontract. Such acknowledgements shall be delivered to the Chief of DMH's Contract Development and Administration Division 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 is hereby authorized to act for and on behalf of County pursuant to this Paragraph <u>15.0</u>, including, but not limited to, consenting to any subcontracting.

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

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

18.0 <u>GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION AND VENUE</u>: 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.

19.0 <u>CONFLICT OF INTEREST</u>: No County employee whose position in County enables such employee to influence the award or administration of this Agreement or any

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

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

20.0 <u>COMPLETE AGREEMENT</u>: The body of this Agreement and the Exhibits thereto, shall constitute the complete and exclusive statement of understanding between the parties which supersedes all previous agreements, written or oral, and all communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement.

#### 21.0 MODIFICATION AND CHANGE NOTICES:

21.1 For any change which affects the scope of work, period of performance, payments, or any term or condition included in this Agreement, a negotiated written Modification to this Agreement shall be prepared and executed by County's Project Manager and Contractor.

21.2 For any change which does not affect the scope of work, period of performance, payments, or any term or condition included in this Agreement, a Change Notice shall be prepared and executed by the County's Project Manager and Contractor. 22.0 <u>INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS</u>: It is understood and agreed, and it is the intention of the parties hereto, that Contractor is an independent Contractor and not the employee, agent, joint venture, or partner of County for any purpose whatsoever. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for the payment of any and all Federal, State or local taxes which may be or become due as a result of Contractor's engagement under this Agreement. 23.0 <u>COUNTY LOBBYIST</u>: Contractor, and each County lobbyist or County lobbying firm as defined in County Code Section 2.160.010 retained by Contractor, shall fully comply with County's Lobbyist Ordinance, 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.

24.0 <u>ANTI-DISCRIMINATION</u>: Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by Contractor, its affiliates, subsidiaries or holding companies, are and will be treated equally by Contractor without regard to or because or race, religion, ancestry, national origin or sex, and in compliance with all anti-discrimination laws of California and the United States. Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its SubContractors, bidders or vendors without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin or sex. Contractor shall allow County access to its employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with these provisions when so requested by County. If County finds that any of these provisions have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of contact upon which County may determine to cancel, terminate, or suspend this Agreement. In addition to an independent finding by County of such violation, a finding by the State of California or by the United States of violation shall constitute a finding by County of such violation.

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

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

26.0 <u>TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION</u>: County may, by written notice to Contractor, immediately terminate the right of Contractor to proceed under this

Agreement if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee or agent with the intent of securing the Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment or extension of the Agreement or the making of any determination with respect to Contractor's performance pursuant to the Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

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

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

#### 27.0 TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT:

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

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

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.

27.2 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.

27.3 The rights and remedies of County provided in this Paragraph 28.0 shall

not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

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

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

29.0 <u>CONSIDERATION OF HIRING COUNTY EMPLOYEES TARGETED FOR</u> <u>LAYOFF OR FORMER COUNTY EMPLOYEES ON A REEMPLOYMENT LIST</u>: 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.

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

31.0 CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM:

31.1 <u>Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance</u> <u>Program</u>: 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 compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings 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).

31.2. <u>Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's</u> <u>Child Support Compliance Program</u>: Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth pursuant to Subparagraph 32.1 (Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program) shall constitute a 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 27.0 (TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT) and pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

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

33.0 <u>NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME</u> <u>CREDIT</u>: 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.

34.0 <u>USE OF RECYCLED-CONTENT PAPER PRODUCTS</u>: 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.

35.0 <u>CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT</u>: 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.

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

35.2 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 contracts the Contractor may have with the County.

35.3 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 any term of an Agreement with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the (2) committed any act or omission which negatively reflects on the Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County or 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.

35.4 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.

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35.5 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 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.

35.6 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.

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

35.8. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, <u>the</u> Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of

decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

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 <u>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 <u>Contractor Hearing Board</u>.</u>

35.9 These terms shall also apply to SubContractors of County Contractors.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY 36.0 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 By executing this Agreement, excluded from securing federally funded contracts. 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.

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

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

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

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

Contractor shall indemnify and hold County harmless against any and all loss or damage County may suffer arising from any Federal exclusion of Contractor or its staff members from such participation in a Federally funded health care program. Contractor shall provide the certification set forth in Attachment <u>G</u> as part of its obligation under this Paragraph 37.0.

Failure by Contractor to meet the requirements of this Paragraph 37.0 shall

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constitute a material breach of Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

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

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

Therefore, the parties agree as follows:

#### DEFINITIONS

38.1.1 "<u>Disclose</u>" or "<u>Disclosure</u>" means, with respect to Protected Health Information, the release, transfer, provision of access to, or divulging in any other manner of Protected Health Information outside Business Associate's internal operations or to other than its employees.

38.1.2 "<u>Electronic Media</u>" has the same meaning as the term "electronic media" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. Electronic Media means (1) Electronic storage media including memory devices in computers (hard drives) and any removable/transportable digital memory medium, such as magnetic tape or disk, optical disk, or digital memory card; or (2) Transmission media used to exchange information already in electronic storage media. Transmission media include, for example, the internet (wide-open), extranet (using internet technology to link a business with information accessible only to

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collaborating parties), leased lines, dial-up lines, private networks, and the physical movement of removable/transportable electronic storage media. Certain transmissions, including of paper, via facsimile, and of voice, via telephone, are not considered to be transmissions via electronic media, because the information being exchanged did not exist in electronic form before the transmission.

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

38.1.4 "<u>Individual</u>" 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).

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

38.1.6 "Required By Law" means a mandate contained in law that compels an entity to make a Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information and that is enforceable in a court of law. Required by law includes, but is not limited to, court orders and court-ordered warrants; subpoenas or summons issued by a court, grand jury, a governmental or tribal inspector general, or any administrative body authorized to require the production of information; a civil or an authorized investigative demand; Medicare conditions of participation with respect to health care providers participating in

the program; and statutes or regulations that require the production of information, including statutes or regulations that require such information if payment is sought under a government program providing benefits.

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

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

38.1.9 "<u>Use</u>" or "<u>Uses</u>" means, with respect to Protected Health Information, the sharing, employment, application, utilization, examination or analysis of such Information within Business Associate's internal operations.

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

## **OBLIGATIONS OF BUSINESS ASSOCIATE**

38.2.1 <u>Permitted Uses and Disclosures of Protected Health Information</u>. Business Associate:

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

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

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

(i) Use Protected Health Information; and

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

by Law.

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

38.2.2 Adequate Safeguards for Protected Health Information. Business

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Associate:

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

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

38.2.3 <u>Reporting Non-Permitted Use or Disclosure and Security Incidents</u>. Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity each Use or Disclosure that is made by Business Associate, its employees, representatives, agents or subcontractors but is not specifically permitted by this Agreement, and effective as of April 20, 2005, shall report to Covered Entity each Security Incident of which Business Associate becomes aware. The initial report shall be made by telephone call to the Department of Mental Health's Privacy Officer, telephone number 1(213) 738-4864 within forty-eight (48) hours from the time the Business Associate becomes aware of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure or Security Incident, followed by a full written report no later than ten (10) business days from the date the Business Associate becomes aware of the nonpermitted Use or Disclosure or Security Incident to the Chief Privacy Officer at:

Chief Privacy Officer, County of Los Angeles

Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration

500 West Temple ST.

Suite 525

#### Los Angeles, CA 90012

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

38.2.5 Availability of Internal Practices, Books and Records to Government

<u>Agencies</u>. Business Associate agrees to make its internal practices, books, and records relating to the Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information available to the Secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services for purposes of determining Covered Entity's compliance with the Privacy and Security Regulations. Business Associate shall immediately notify Covered Entity of any requests made by the Secretary and provide Covered Entity with copies of any documents produced in response to such request.

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

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

38.2.8 <u>Accounting of Disclosures</u>. Business Associate agrees to maintain documentation of the information required to provide an accounting of Disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528, and to make this information available to Covered Entity upon Covered Entity's request, in order to allow Covered Entity to respond to an Individual's request for accounting of disclosures. However, Business Associate is not required to provide an accounting of Disclosures that are necessary to perform its Services if such Disclosures are for either payment or health care operations purposes, or both. Additionally, such accounting is limited to

disclosures that were made in the six (6) years prior to the request (not including disclosures that were made prior to the compliance date of the Privacy Rule, April 14, 2003) and shall be provided for as long as Business Associate maintains the Protected Health Information.

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

# **OBLIGATION OF COVERED ENTITY**

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

### TERM AND TERMINATION

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

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

(a) Provide an opportunity for Business Associate to cure the breach or

end the violation and terminate this Agreement if Business Associate does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by Covered Entity;

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

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

38.4.3 <u>Disposition of Protected Health Information Upon Termination or</u> <u>Expiration</u>.

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

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

#### MISCELLANEOUS

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

38.5.2 <u>Use of Subcontractors and Agents</u>. Business Associate shall require each of its agents and subcontractors that receive Protected Health Information from Business Associate, or create Protected Health Information for Business Associate, on behalf of Covered Entity, to execute a written agreement obligating the agent or

subcontractor to comply with all the terms of this Paragraph.

38.5.3 <u>Relationship to Services Agreement Provisions</u>. In the event that a provision of this Paragraph is contrary to another provision of this Agreement, the provision of this Paragraph shall control. Otherwise, this Paragraph shall be construed under, and in accordance with, the terms of this Agreement.

38.5.4 <u>Regulatory References</u>. A reference in this Paragraph to a section in the Privacy or Security Regulations means the section as in effect or as amended.

38.5.5 <u>Interpretation</u>. Any ambiguity in this Paragraph shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that permits Covered Entity to comply with the Privacy and Security Regulations.

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

39.0 COMPLIANCE WITH JURY SERVICE PROGRAM:

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

B Written Employee Jury Service Policy:

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

(2) For purposes of this Section, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has an Agreement with the County or a subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County Agreements or

subcontracts. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of Contractor. "Full-time" means 40 hours or more worked per week or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If Contractor uses any SubContractor to perform services for the County under the Agreement, the SubContractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this Section. The provisions of this Section shall be inserted into any such subcontract Agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the Agreement.

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

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

40.0 <u>NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY</u> <u>LAW</u>: 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 <u>H</u> of this Agreement and is also available on the Internet at <u>www.babysafela.org</u> for printing purposes.

41.0 <u>CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO</u> <u>THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW</u>: 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.

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

# 43.0 CONTRACTOR'S CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COMPLIANCE

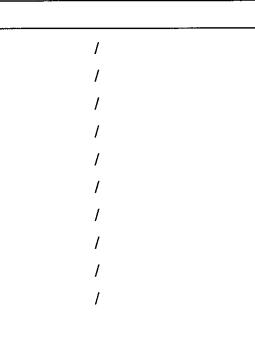
The Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act regulates entities receiving or raising charitable contributions. The "Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004" (SB 1262, Chapter 919) increased Charitable Purposes Act requirements. By requiring Contractors to complete the certification in Exhibit <u>1</u>, 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 under California law commits a material breach subjecting it to either contract termination or debarment proceedings or both. (County Code Chapter 2.202)

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

If to COUNTY:

| County of Los Angeles         |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Department of Mental Health   |          |
|                               | <u> </u> |
| 550 S. Vermont Avenue         | _        |
| Los Angeles, California 90020 |          |
| ATTN:                         | _        |

If to CONTRACTOR:



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

Master Agreement Contractor (revised 1/25/06)

# EXHIBIT A

# STATEMENT OF WORK

STATEMENT OF WORK

TARGET POPULATION:

SERVICES:

AW H: MHSA SOW Exh 1

# EXHIBIT B

# CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

# AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

CONTRACTOR \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT NUMBER DMH-

# **CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

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

# CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

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

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

# EXHIBIT B

# CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

# AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT (Continued)

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

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

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

NAME:

(Signature)

DATE:\_\_\_\_\_

NAME:

(Please print)

POSITION: CONTRACTOR

Revised: 4/21/05

# ATTACHMENT C

# CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

| CONTRACTOR NAME |      |  |
|-----------------|------|--|
| CONTRACT NUMBER | DMH- |  |

# CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

I understand and agree that I am an employee of \_\_\_\_\_\_, and that I am not an employee of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced Agreement. Although \_\_\_\_\_\_ has an Agreement with the County to provide Contractor services, 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.

# **EMPLOYEE CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:**

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

I hereby agree that I will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work in connection with the \_\_\_\_\_

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# ATTACHMENT C

# CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

formats, documentation, County proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created or provided to or by me under the above referenced Agreement.

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

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

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

BY:

DATE:

(Employee Signature)

NAME:

(Please Print)

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 the DMH Legal Entity Agreement's Paragraph 37 (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 sub-contractors are not presently excluded from participation in any federally funded health care programs, nor is there an investigation presently pending or recently concluded of any such officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors which is likely to result in an exclusion from any federally funded health care program, nor are any of its officers, employees, agents and/or 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 sub-contractors exclusion or suspension under federally funded health care programs, or
- Any suspension or exclusionary action taken by an agency of the federal or state government against Contractor, or one or more of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors, barring it or its officers, employees, agents and/or subcontractors from providing goods or services for which federally funded healthcare program payment may be made.

| Name of authorized official                     |              |
|---|--------------|
| Please  | e print name |
| Signature of authorized official                | Date         |
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# DMH LEGAL ENTITY AGREEMENT EXHIBIT E

# SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW FACT SHEET

(IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH)

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Newborns can be safely given (10) at any Los Angeles County nospital emergency room or fire station,



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#### What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents to give up their baby confidentially. As long as the baby has not been abused or neglected, parents may give up their newborn 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 give up a baby within three days of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a Los Angeles County emergency room or fire station. As long as the child shows no signs 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, workers 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.

#### What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their newborns 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?

In most cases, a parent will bring in the baby. The law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have legal custody.

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

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

# Does a parent have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital personnel will ask the parent to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the child. Although encouraged, filling out the questionnaire is not required.

#### What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment, if needed. Then the baby will be placed in a pre-adoptive home.

#### What happens to the parent?

Once the parent(s) has safely turned over the baby, they are free to go.

#### Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned by their parents and potentially being hurt or killed. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. The parents who committed these acts 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 nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their infants. Abandoning a baby puts the child in extreme danger. It is also illegal. Too often, it results in the baby's death. Because of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, this tragedy doesn't ever have to happen in California again.

#### A baby's story

At 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 25, 2002, a healthy newborn baby was brought to St. Bernardine Medical Center in San Bernardino under the provisions of the California Safely Surrendered Baby Law. As the law states, the baby's mother did not have to identify herself. When the baby was brought to the emergency room, he was examined by a pediatrician, who determined that the baby was healthy and doing fine. He was placed with a loving family while the adoption process was started.

Every baby deserves a chance for a healthy life. If someone you know is considering abandoning a newborn, let her know there are other options.

It is best that women seek help to receive proper medical care and counseling while they are pregnant. But at the same time, we want to assure parents who choose not to keep their baby that they will not go to jail if they deliver their babies to safe hands in any Los Angeles County hospital ER or fire station.

# Sin pena. Sin culpa. Sin peligro.

Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados en forma segura en la sala de emergencia de talquier hospital o'en un cuantel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles.



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#### ¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro de California permite a los padres entregar a su recién nacido confidencialmente. Siempre que el bebé no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, padres pueden entregar a su recién nacido sin temor a ser arrestados o procesados.

#### ¿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 del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de una sala de emergencias o de un 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 recibirá un brazalete igual.

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

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden empezar 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?

En la mayoría de los casos, los padres son los que llevan al bebé. La ley permite que otras personas lleven al bebé si tienen la custodia legal del menor.

#### ¿Los padres deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre puede llevar a su bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, mientras que entregue a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o de un cuartel de bomberos.

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

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital le pedirá que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para los cuidados que recibirá el bebé. Es recomendado llenar este cuestionario, pero no es obligatorio hacerlo.

#### ¿Qué ocurrirá con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y, de ser necesario, recibirá tratamiento médico. Luego el bebé se entregará a un hogar preadoptivo.

#### ¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre?

Una vez que los padres hayan entregado a su bebé en forma segura, serán libres de irse.

#### ¿Por qué California hace esto?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés del abandono por parte de sus padres y de la posibilidad de que mueran o sufran daños. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Es posible que los padres que cometieron estos actos hayan estado atravesando dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus recién nacidos porque tenían miedo y no tenían adonde recurrir para obtener ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido lo pone en una situación de peligro extremo. Además es ilegal. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. Ahora, gracias a la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro, esta tragedia ya no debe suceder nunca más en California.

#### Historia de un bebé

A las 8:30 a.m. del jueves 25 de julio de 2002, se entregó un bebé recién nacido saludable en el St. Bernardine Medical Center en San Bernardino, en virtud de las disposiciones de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro. Como lo establece la ley, la madre del bebé no se tuvo que identificar. Cuando el bebé llegó a la sala de emergencias, un pediatra lo revisó y determinó que el bebé estaba saludable y no tenía problemas. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia, mientras se iniciaban los trámites de adopción.

Cada recién nacido merece una oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele qué otras opciones tiene.

Es mejor que las mujeres busquen ayuda para recibir atención médica y asesoramiento adecuado durante el embarazo. Pero al mismo tiempo, queremos asegurarles a los padres que optan por no quedarse con su bebé que no irán a la cárcel si dejan a sus bebés en buenas manos en cualquier sala de emergencia de un hospital o en un cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles.

# 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)

Attachment III

CONTRACT NO.

## AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_

THIS AMENDMENT is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2006, by and between the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (hereafter "County") and \_\_\_\_\_\_ (hereafter "Contractor").

WHEREAS, County and Contractor have entered into a written Agreement, dated\_\_\_\_\_\_, identified as County Agreement No.\_\_\_\_\_\_, and any subsequent amendment(s) (**if applicable**) (hereafter collectively "Agreement" <u>or</u> hereafter "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, for Fiscal Year 2005-2006 and any subsequent fiscal year(s) (if applicable), County and Contractor intend to amend Agreement only as described hereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Mental Health Services Act (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; and

WHEREAS, in order to be eligible for MHSA funds, Contractor has 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 been selected for recommendation to be on a MHSA Master list as being qualified to deliver \_\_\_\_\_\_MHSA services; and

WHEREAS, County and Contractor intend to amend Agreement to include the revised paragraphs on "Alteration of Terms" and "Contractor Responsibility and Debarment"; and

WHEREAS, County and Contractor intend to amend Agreement to add mandated contract delegation and assignment language for County to utilize in circumstances where an existing contractor is in the process of merging or being acquired by another entity.

NOW, THEREFORE, County and Contractor agree that Agreement shall be amended only as follows:

1. A second "WHEREAS" shall be added to the Agreement and inserted in its entirety:

"WHEREAS, County desires to provide to those persons in Los Angeles County who qualify therefore certain mental health services contemplated and authorized by the Mental Health Service Act (MHSA) adopted by the California electorate on November 2, 2004, through the County's Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) process; and"

 Paragraph 3 (DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES/ACTIVITIES) shall be amended to include the following MHSA language:

"Contractor has been found to be 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 RFSQ for the provision of such services, and Contractor has met the minimum qualifications listed in the RFSQ and been selected for recommendation for placement on a MHSA Master Agreement eligibility list. Placement on the Master Agreement eligibility list to 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."

3. Paragraph 4 (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS), Subparagraphs 4B (Reimbursement for Initial Period) through Subparagraph X (Limitation of County's Obligation Due to

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Nonappropriation of Funds), shall be shifted down one alphabet letter to 4C through 4W; and

4. Paragraph 4 (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS), Subparagraph 4B (MHSA), shall be inserted in its entirety:

"B. <u>MHSA</u>: The execution of Amendments issued under the MHSA RFSQ does not guarantee a Contractor any amount of funding. Contractor shall not be entitled to any payment of MHSA funds by County under this Agreement except pursuant to validly executed and satisfactorily performed Work Orders or Amendments completed in accordance with County issued MHSA Request for Services (RFS) that includes a specific and detailed Statement(s) of Work.

Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed 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; and"

5. Paragraph 27 (DELEGATION AND ASSIGNMENT) shall be deleted in its entirety and the following substituted therefor:

"DELEGATION AND ASSIGNMENT BY CONTRACTOR:

A. Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under the 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 the Agreement, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under the 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

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

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 the Agreement which may result in the termination of the Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitles to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor."

 Paragraph 39 (ALTERATION OF TERMS), shall be deleted in its entirety and the following substituted therefor:

"39. <u>ALTERATION OF TERMS</u>: No addition to, or alteration of, the terms of the body of this Agreement, or the Financial Summary or Service Exhibit(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 Administrative 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 Administrative 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."

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Paragraph 52, (CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT), shall be deleted in its entirety and the following substituted therefor:

"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.

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

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

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

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

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H. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment. 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 <u>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."</u>

- J. These terms shall also apply to subcontractors of County Contractors.
- Attachment I (DEFINITIONS), shall be deleted in its entirety and the following Attachment I substituted therefor:
- Except as provided in this Amendment, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused used this Amendment to be subscribed by County's Director of Mental Health or his designee, and Contractor has caused this Amendment to be subscribed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, the day, month, and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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

CONTRACTOR

Ву \_\_\_\_\_

Name

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

APPROVED AS TO FORM THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

APPROVED AS TO CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION:

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

By\_

Chief, Contracts Development and Administration Division

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