

#### SAMPLE MASTER AGREEMENT

# BY AND BETWEEN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

#### **AND**

#### **CONTRACTOR NAME**

#### **FOR**

## EATING DISORDERS and ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY SERVICES

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#### SAMPLE

#### MASTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND

### CONTRACTOR NAME EATING DISORDERS and ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY SERVICES

This Master Agreement and Exhibits made and entered into this XX day, of MONTH, 2021 by and between the County of Los Angeles, Department of Mental Health hereinafter referred to as County and CONTRACTOR NAME, hereinafter referred to as Contractor, to provide Eating Disorders (ED) and/or Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT) Services.

#### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the COUNTY has a need for, and desires to engage the services on an as-needed basis, of an individual or firm with special expertise and experience to provide ED and/or ECT services based on Contractor's Statement of Qualification (SOQ); and

WHEREAS, Contractor is specifically trained and possesses the skills, experience, education and competency for the provision ED and/or ECT services based on Contractor's SOQ; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to provide to those persons in Los Angeles County who qualify therefore, certain mental health services, including ED and/or ECT services; and

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

WHEREAS, the County may contract with private businesses for ED and/or ECT Services when certain requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is a private firm specializing in providing ED and/or ECT Services; and

WHEREAS, this Master Agreement is therefore authorized under California Codes, Government Code Section 31000 which authorizes the Board of Supervisors to contract for special services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has authorized the Director of Mental Health or designee to execute and administer this Master Agreement.

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

#### 1.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

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

#### **Standard Exhibits:**

1.1	Exhibit A	County's Administration
1.2	Exhibit B	Contractor's Administration
1.3	Exhibit C	Contractor's EEO Certification
1.4	Exhibit D	Jury Service Ordinance
1.5	Exhibit E	Safely Surrendered Baby Law
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1.8	Exhibit H  Exhibit I	Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA")  Charitable Contributions Certification - SB 1262 - Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004

This Master Agreement and the Exhibits hereto constitute the complete and exclusive statement of understanding between the parties, and supersedes all previous agreements, written or oral, and all communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Master Agreement. No change to this Master Agreement shall be valid unless prepared pursuant to Paragraph 8.1, Amendments, and signed by both parties.

#### 2.0 **DEFINITIONS**

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

- 2.1 Active Contractor: Identifies a Qualified Contractor who is in compliance with the terms and conditions and whose evidence of insurance requirements have all been received by the Department and are valid and in effect at the time of a given award. As used herein, the terms Active Contractor and Contractor may be used interchangeably throughout this document.
- **2.2 Contractor Project Manager:** The individual designated by the Contractor to administer the Master Agreement operations after the Master Agreement award.
- **2.3 County Master Agreement Program Director (MAPD):** Person designated by Director with authority to negotiate and recommend all changes on behalf of County.
- **2.4 County Project Director:** Person designated by Director with authority to approve all individual requested as-needed services.
- **2.5 County Project Manager:** Person designated as chief contact person with respect to the day-to-day administration of the Master Agreement.
- **2.6 Day(s):** Calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified.
- **2.7 Director:** Director of Department of Mental Health.
- **2.8 Fiscal Year:** The 12-month period beginning July 1st and ending the following June 30th.
- **2.9 Master Agreement:** County's standard agreement executed between County and individual Contractors. It sets forth the terms and conditions for the issuance and performance of, and otherwise governs, the Master Agreement.
- **2.10 Qualified Contractor:** A Contractor who has submitted a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) in response to County's Request For Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ), has met the minimum qualifications listed in the RFSQ, and has an executed Master Agreement with the Department of Mental Health.
- **2.11 Request For Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ):** A solicitation based on establishing a pool of Qualified Contractors to provide services through Master Agreements.
- **2.12 Statement of Qualifications (SOQ):** A Contractor's response to an RFSQ.

**2.13 Statement of Work (SOW):** A written description of tasks and/or deliverables desired by DMH for a specific Master Agreement.

#### 3.0 WORK

In order to be eligible to provide ED and/or ECT services, Contractor has demonstrated experience and training in its specialized field and has submitted to the County a SOQ in response to County's RFSQ for the provision of such services, and Contractor has met the minimum mandatory qualifications listed in the RFSQ and has been selected for recommendation for placement on an ED and/or ECT Master Agreement eligibility list as being qualified to deliver ED and/or ECT services based on Contractor's SOQ.

Execution of this Master Agreement and placement on the ED Master Agreement list does not guarantee that Contractor will be selected to provide mental health services claimable as ED and/or ECT services. A provider must be selected to provide ED and/or ECT services to provide mental health services claimable as ED and/or ECT services, on an as-needed basis.

- 3.1 Pursuant to the provisions of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall fully perform, complete and deliver on time, all tasks, deliverables, services and other work as set forth herein.
- 3.2 The attached SOW describes in detail the particular work required. Payment for all work shall be on a fixed priced per deliverable basis, subject to the Maximum Contract Amount/Total Maximum Amount specified on each individual type of service.
- 3.3 If Contractor provides any task, deliverable, service, or other work to County that utilizes other than approved Contractor Personnel, and/or that goes beyond the expiration date, and/or that exceeds the Total Maximum Amount as specified as originally written or modified in accordance with Paragraph 8.1, Amendments, these shall be gratuitous efforts on the part of Contractor for which Contractor shall have no claim whatsoever against County.
- 3.4 Contractor must be available to meet the County's start date of service. Inability of Contractor to comply with such commencement date may be cause for disqualification of Contractor from the particular service as determined in the sole discretion of County's Project Director.
- 3.5 In the event Contractor defaults three times under this Paragraph 3.5 within a given County fiscal year, then County may terminate this Master Agreement pursuant to Paragraph 8.42, Termination for Default.
- 3.6 The execution of this Master Agreement for as-needed ED and/or ECT services does not guarantee Contractor any certain amount of funding. Contractor shall not be entitled to any payment of ED and/or ECT funds by County under this Master Agreement, except pursuant to a validly executed and satisfactorily performed services completed

in accordance with County issued ED and/or ECT Master Agreement that includes the specific and detailed SOW.

#### 4.0 TERM OF MASTER AGREEMENT

- 4.1 This ED and/or ECT services Master Agreement is effective upon the date of its execution by the Director of the Department of Mental Health or designee as authorized by the Board of Supervisors. This Master Agreement shall expire on <u>June 30</u>, <u>2029</u> unless sooner extended or terminated, in whole or in part, as provided herein.
- 4.2 The County shall have the sole option to extend the Master Agreement term for up to two additional one-year periods, through June 30, 2031, for a maximum total Master Agreement term of 10 years as authorized by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. Each such optional extension period may be exercised at the sole discretion of the Director or designee as authorized by the Board of Supervisors.

The County maintains databases that track/monitor contractor performance history. Information entered into such databases may be used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether the County will exercise a Master Agreement term extension option.

#### 5.0 CONTRACT SUM

- 5.1 Contractor shall not be entitled to any payment by County under this Master Agreement except pursuant to validly executed and satisfactorily performed as-needed services. In each year of this Master Agreement, the total of all amounts actually expended by County hereunder ("maximum annual expenditures") may not exceed amounts allocated to the Department of Mental Health by the County Board of Supervisors. The County has sole discretion to expend some, all, or none of such budgeted amounts. The sum of such annual expenditures for the duration of the Master Agreement is the Contract Sum.
- 5.2 The Contractor shall not be entitled to payment or reimbursement for any tasks or services performed, nor for any incidental or administrative expenses whatsoever incurred in or incidental to performance hereunder, except as specified herein. Assumption or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, or obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever, shall occur only with the County's express prior written approval.

#### 5.3 No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/ Termination of Master Agreement

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

#### 5.4 Invoices and Payments

Upon LACDMH's request for as-needed services, LACDMH will include a SOW, which shall describe in detail the funding allocation for the as-needed ED and/or ECT services. The only compensation made for such services will be through satisfactory work performed in accordance with the SOW. Payment for all work will be described in the SOW, which may include the actual cost, established rates, or fixed price per deliverable basis, and/or subject to the Total Maximum Amount/Maximum Contract Amount.

### 5.4.1 Local Small Business Enterprises - Prompt Payment Program

Certified Local Small Business Enterprises (LSBEs) will receive prompt payment for services they provide to County departments. Prompt payment is defined as 15 calendar days after receipt of an undisputed invoice.

### 5.5 Default Method of Payment: Direct Deposit or Electronic Funds Transfer

- 5.5.1 The County, at its sole discretion, has determined that the most efficient and secure default form of payment for goods and/or services provided under an agreement/contract with the County shall be Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, unless an alternative method of payment is deemed appropriate by the Auditor-Controller (A-C).
- 5.5.2 The Contractor shall submit a direct deposit authorization request via the website https://directdeposit.lacounty.gov with banking and contractor information, and any other information that the A-C determines is reasonably

- necessary to process the payment and comply with all accounting, record keeping, and tax reporting requirements.
- 5.5.3 Any provision of law, grant, or funding agreement requiring a specific form or method of payment other than EFT or direct deposit shall supersede this requirement with respect to those payments.
- 5.5.4 At any time during the duration of the agreement/contract, a Contractor may submit a written request for an exemption to this requirement. Such request must be based on specific legal, business or operational needs and explain why the payment method designated by the A-C is not feasible and an alternative is necessary. The A-C, in consultation with LACDMH, shall decide whether to approve exemption requests.

#### 6.0 ADMINISTRATION OF MASTER AGREEMENT - COUNTY

A listing of all County Administration referenced in the following paragraphs are designated in Exhibit A. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any change in the names or addresses shown.

#### 6.1 County's Master Agreement Program Director (MAPD)

The MAPD has the authority to negotiate, recommend all changes to this Master Agreement, and resolve disputes between the Department of Mental Health and Contractor.

#### 6.2 County's Project Director

The County's Project Director, or designee, is the approving authority for the individual requested as-needed services.

#### 6.3 County's Project Manager

The County's Project Manager is County's chief contact person with respect to the day-to-day administration of this Master Agreement. The Project Manager shall generally be the first person for Contractor to contact with any questions.

#### 7.0 ADMINISTRATION OF MASTER AGREEMENT - CONTRACTOR

#### 7.1 Contractor's Project Manager

7.1.1 Contractor's Project Manager is designated in Exhibit B. The Contractor shall notify the County in writing of any change in the name or address of the Contractor's Project Manager. 7.1.2 Contractor's Project Manager shall be responsible for Contractor's day-to-day activities as related to this Master Agreement and shall coordinate with County's Director(s) on a regular basis with respect to all services.

#### 7.2 Contractor's Authorized Officials

- 7.2.1 Contractor's Authorized Officials are designated in Exhibit B. Contractor shall promptly notify County in writing of any change in the name(s) or address(es) of Contractor's Authorized Officials.
- 7.2.2 Contractor represents and warrants that all requirements of Contractor have been fulfilled to provide actual authority to such officials to execute documents under this Master Agreement on behalf of Contractor.

#### 7.3 Approval of Contractor's Staff

County has the absolute right to approve or disapprove all of Contractor's staff performing work hereunder and any proposed changes in Contractor's staff, including, but not limited to, Contractor's Project Manager. Contractor shall provide County with a resume of each proposed substitute and an opportunity to interview such person prior to any staff substitution.

#### 7.4 Contractor's Staff Identification

7.4.1 Contractor shall provide, at Contractor's expense, all staff providing services under this Master Agreement with a photo identification badge. The photo identification badge issued by Contractor to Contractor's staff shall be worn and visible at all times while performing services under this Master Agreement.

#### 7.5 Background and Security Investigations

7.5.1 Each of Contractor's staff performing services under this Master Agreement who is in a designated sensitive position, as determined by County in County's sole discretion, shall undergo and pass a background investigation to the satisfaction of County as a condition of beginning and continuing to perform services under this Master Agreement. Such background investigation must be obtained through fingerprints submitted to the California Department of Justice to include State, local, and federal-level review, which may include, but shall not be limited to, criminal conviction information. The fees associated with the background investigation shall be at the expense of the Contractor, regardless if the member of Contractor's staff passes or fails the background investigation.

- 7.5.2 If a member of Contractor's staff does not pass the background investigation, County may request that the member of Contractor's staff be immediately removed from performing services under the Master Agreement at any time during the term of the Master Agreement. County will not provide to Contractor or to Contractor's staff any information obtained through the County's background investigation.
- 7.5.3 County, in its sole discretion, may immediately deny or terminate facility access to any member of Contractor's staff that does not pass such investigation to the satisfaction of the County or whose background or conduct is incompatible with County facility access.
- 7.5.4 Disqualification of any member of Contractor's staff pursuant to this Paragraph 7.5 shall not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement.

#### 7.6 Confidentiality

- 7.6.1 Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information in accordance with all applicable federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures relating to confidentiality, including, without limitation, County policies concerning information technology security and the protection of confidential records and information.
- 7.6.2 Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting, or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with this Paragraph 7.6, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph 7.6 shall be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Contractor fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to retain its own

counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and shall be entitled to reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

- 7.6.3 Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, agents and subcontractors providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Master Agreement.
- 7.6.4 Contractor shall sign and adhere to the provisions of the "Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement", Exhibit G-1.

#### 8.0 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### 8.1 Amendments

- 8.1.1 The County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in the Master Agreement during the term of this Master Agreement. The County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer. To implement such orders, an Amendment to the Master Agreement shall be prepared by LACDMH and executed by the Contractor and by Director.
- 8.1.2 The LACDMH Director, or designee may, at his/her sole discretion, authorize extensions of time as defined in Paragraph 4.0 Term of Master Agreement. The Contractor agrees that such extensions of time shall not change any other term or condition of this Master Agreement during the period of such extensions. To implement an extension of time, an Amendment to the Master Agreement shall be prepared by LACDMH and executed by the Contractor and by Director.
- 8.1.3 Addition of Skilled Categories/Technical Specializations

An Amendment to the Master Agreement shall be prepared by LACDMH and executed by the Contractor and by Director to add or delete Skilled Categories or Technical Specializations.

#### 8.2 Assignment and Delegation/Mergers or Acquisitions

8.2.1 The Contractor shall notify the County of any pending acquisitions/mergers of its company unless otherwise legally prohibited from doing so. If the Contractor is restricted from

legally notifying the County of pending acquisitions/mergers, then it should notify the County of the actual acquisitions/mergers as soon as the law allows and provide to the County the legal framework that restricted it from notifying the County prior to the actual acquisitions/mergers.

- 8.2.2 The Contractor shall not assign, exchange, transfer, or delegate its rights or duties under this Master Agreement, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County, in its discretion, and any attempted assignment, delegation, or otherwise transfer of its rights or duties, without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this sub-paragraph, County consent shall require a written amendment to the Master Agreement, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by the County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Master Agreement shall be deductible, at County's sole discretion, against the claims, which the Contractor may have against the County.
- 8.2.3 Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any person or entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, 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 Master Agreement which may result in the termination of this Master 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.

#### 8.3 Authorization Warranty

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

#### 8.4 Complaints

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

- 8.4.1 Within <u>30</u> business days after the Master Agreement effective date, the Contractor shall provide the County with the Contractor's policy for receiving, investigating and responding to user complaints.
- 8.4.2 The County will review the Contractor's policy and provide the Contractor with approval of said plan or with requested changes.
- 8.4.3 If the County requests changes in the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall make such changes and resubmit the plan within <u>30</u> business days for County approval.
- 8.4.4 If, at any time, the Contractor wishes to change the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall submit proposed changes to the County for approval before implementation.
- 8.4.5 The Contractor shall preliminarily investigate all complaints and notify the County's Project Manager of the status of the investigation within 10 business days of receiving the complaint.
- 8.4.6 When complaints cannot be resolved informally, a system of follow-through shall be instituted which adheres to formal plans for specific actions and strict time deadlines.
- 8.4.7 Copies of all written responses shall be sent to the County's Project Manager within <u>5</u> business days of mailing to the complainant.

#### 8.5 Compliance with Applicable Laws

- 8.5.1 In the performance of this Master Agreement, Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures, and all provisions required thereby to be included in this Master Agreement are hereby incorporated herein by reference.
- 8.5.2 Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs, and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with any such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies, or procedures, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to indemnification obligations Contractor's under Paragraph 8.5 shall be conducted by Contractor and

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

#### 8.6 Compliance with Civil Rights Laws

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

#### 8.7 Compliance with County's Jury Service Program

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

#### 8.7.2 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 sub-paragraph, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a Master 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 Master 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 fullproviding time. Full-time employees short-term. temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Program. If Contractor Service subcontractor to perform services for the County under the Master Agreement, the subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this sub-paragraph. The provisions of this sub-paragraph 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 Master Agreement commences, Contractor shall have а continuina 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 Jury Service 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 Master 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 "Contractor" Program's definition of and/or Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.

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

#### 8.8 Conflict of Interest

- 8.8.1 No County employee whose position with the County enables such employee to influence the award of this Master Agreement or any competing Master Agreement, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by the Contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Master Agreement. No officer or employee of the Contractor who may financially benefit from the performance of work hereunder shall in any way participate in the County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence the County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.
- 8.8.2 The Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Master Agreement. The Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest. If the Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts that might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to the County. Full written disclosure shall include, but is not limited to, identification of all persons implicated and a complete description of all relevant circumstances. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Paragraph 8.8 shall be a material breach of this Master Agreement.

## 8.9 Consideration of Hiring County Employees Targeted for Layoffs or are on a County Re-employment List

Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Master Agreement to perform the services set forth herein, the Contractor shall give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified, permanent County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified, former County employees who are on a re-employment list during the life of this Master Agreement.

#### 8.10 Consideration of Hiring GAIN-GROW Participants

- 8.10.1 Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet the Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that the Contractor will interview qualified candidates. The County will refer GAIN/GROW participants by job category to the Contractor. Contractors shall report all job openings with job requirements to GAINGROW@DPSS.LACOUNTY.GOV and BSERVICES@WDACS.LACOUNTY.GOV and DPSS will refer qualified GAIN/GROW job candidates.
- 8.10.2 In the event that both laid-off County employees, as described in Paragraph 8.9, and GAIN/GROW participants, as described in this Paragraph 8.10, are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

#### 8.11 Contractor Responsibility and Debarment

#### 8.11.1 Responsible Contractor

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

#### 8.11.2 Chapter 2.202 of the County Code

The Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other Master Agreements which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in this Master Agreement, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five 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.

#### 8.11.3 Non-responsible Contractor

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

#### 8.11.4 Contractor Hearing Board

- If there is evidence that the Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify the Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise the Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.
- 2. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a 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 proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.
- 3. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.
- 4. If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five 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.

- 5. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five 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 debarment. and includes the supporting Upon receiving an appropriate documentation. request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.
- 6. The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

#### 8.11.5 Subcontractors of Contractor

These terms shall also apply to subcontractors of County contractors.

### 8.12 Contractor's Acknowledgement of County's Commitment to Safely Surrendered Baby Law

The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County contractors to voluntarily post the County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster, in Exhibit E, 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. Information and posters for printing are available www.babysafela.org.

### 8.13 Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program

- 8.13.1 The Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from the County through Purchase Order or Master Agreement are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the County and its taxpayers.
- 8.13.2 As required by the County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting the Contractor's duty under this Master Agreement to comply with all applicable provisions of law, the Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Master Agreement maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or Child Support Services Department Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

#### 8.14 County's Quality Assurance Plan

The County or its agent(s) will monitor the Contractor's performance under this Master Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such monitoring will include assessing the Contractor's compliance with all Master Agreement terms and conditions and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which the County determines are significant or continuing and that may place performance of the Master Agreement in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the Board

of Supervisors and listed in the appropriate contractor performance database. The report to the Board will include improvement/ corrective action measures taken by the County and the Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate this Master Agreement or impose other penalties as specified in this Master Agreement.

#### 8.15 Damage to County Facilities, Buildings or Grounds

- 8.15.1 Contractor shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, any and all damage to County facilities, buildings, or grounds caused by Contractor or employees or agents of Contractor. Such repairs shall be made immediately after Contractor has become aware of such damage, but in no event later than 30 days after the occurrence.
- 8.15.2 If Contractor fails to make timely repairs, County may make any necessary repairs. All costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such repairs shall be repaid by Contractor by cash payment upon demand.

#### 8.16 Employment Eligibility Verification

- 8.16.1 The Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all federal and State statutes and regulations regarding the employment of aliens and others and that all its employees performing work under this Master Agreement meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in federal and State statutes and regulations. The Contractor shall obtain, from all employees performing work hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by federal and State statutes and regulations including, but not limited to, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, (P.L. 99-603), or as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. The Contractor shall retain all such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law.
- 8.16.2 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless, the County, its agents, officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against the Contractor or the County or both in connection with any alleged violation of any federal or State statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of any persons performing work under this Master Agreement.

#### 8.17 Counterparts and Electronic Signatures and Representations

This Contract may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Contract. The facsimile, email or electronic signature of the Parties shall be deemed to constitute original signatures, and facsimile or electronic copies hereof shall be deemed to constitute duplicate originals.

The County and the Contractor hereby agree to regard electronic representations of original signatures of authorized officers of each party, when appearing in appropriate places on the Amendments prepared pursuant to Paragraph 8.1 (Amendments) and received via communications facilities (facsimile, email or electronic signature), as legally sufficient evidence that such legally binding signatures have been affixed to Amendments to this Contract.

#### 8.18 Fair Labor Standards

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

#### 8.19 Force Majeure

- 8.19.1 Neither party shall be liable for such party's failure to perform its obligations under and in accordance with this Master Agreement, if such failure arises out of fires, floods, other natural occurrences, strikes, lockouts (other than a lockout by such party or any of such party's subcontractors), freight embargoes, or other similar events to those described above, but in every such case the failure to perform must be totally beyond the control and without any fault or negligence of such party (such events are referred to in this sub-paragraph as "force majeure events").
- 8.19.2 In the event Contractor's failure to perform arises out of a force majeure event, Contractor agrees to use commercially reasonable best efforts to obtain goods or services from other sources, if applicable, and to otherwise mitigate the damages and reduce the delay caused by such force majeure event.

#### 8.20 Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue

This Master Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in

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

#### 8.21 Independent Contractor Status

- 8.21.1 This Master Agreement is by and between the County and the Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between the County and the Contractor. The employees and agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.
- 8.21.2 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Master Agreement all compensation and benefits. The County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, federal, State, or local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of the Contractor.
- 8.21.3 The Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing work pursuant to this Master Agreement are, for purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, solely employees of the Contractor and not employees of the County. The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all Workers' Compensation benefits to any person as a result of any injuries arising from or connected with any work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement.
- 8.21.4 The Contractor shall adhere to the provisions stated in Paragraph 7.6 Confidentiality.

#### 8.22 Indemnification

The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, agents and volunteers ("County Indemnitees") from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from and/or relating to this Master Agreement, except for such loss or damage arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County Indemnitees.

#### 8.23 General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage

Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County, and in the performance of this Master Agreement and until all of its obligations pursuant to this Master Agreement have been met, Contractor shall provide and maintain at its own expense insurance coverage satisfying the requirements specified in this paragraph and Paragraph 8.24 of this Master Agreement. These minimum insurance coverage terms, types and limits (the "Required Insurance") also are in addition to and separate from any other contractual obligation imposed upon Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement. The County in no way warrants that the Required Insurance is sufficient to protect the Contractor for liabilities which may arise from or relate to this Master Agreement.

#### 8.23.1 Evidence of Coverage and Notice to County

- Certificate(s) of insurance coverage (Certificate) satisfactory to County, and a copy of an Additional Insured endorsement confirming County and its Agents (defined below) has been given Insured status under the Contractor's General Liability policy, shall be delivered to County at the address shown below and provided prior to commencing services under this Master Agreement.
- Renewal Certificates shall be provided to County not less than 10 days prior to Contractor's policy expiration dates. The County reserves the right to obtain complete, certified copies of any required Contractor and/or Sub-Contractor insurance policies at any time.
- Certificates shall identify all Required Insurance coverage types and limits specified herein, reference this Master Agreement by name or number, and be signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s). The Insured party named on the Certificate shall match the name of the Contractor identified as the contracting party in this Master Agreement, Certificates shall provide the full name of each insurer providing coverage, its NAIC (National Association of Insurance Commissioners) identification number, its financial rating, the amounts of any policy deductibles or self-insured retentions exceeding fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars, and list any County required endorsement forms.
- Neither the County's failure to obtain, nor the County's receipt of, or failure to object to a non-complying insurance certificate or endorsement, or any other insurance documentation or information provided by the

Contractor, its insurance broker(s) and/or insurer(s), shall be construed as a waiver of any of the Required Insurance provisions.

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

Attention: Solicitations Team
County of Los Angeles — Department of Mental Health
Contracts Development and Administration Division
510 S. Vermont Avenue 20<sup>th</sup> Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90020

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

#### 8.23.2 Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage

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

#### 8.23.3 Cancellation of or Changes in Insurance

Contractor shall provide County with, or Contractor's insurance policies shall contain a provision that County shall receive, written notice of cancellation or any change in

Required Insurance, including insurer, limits of coverage, term of coverage or policy period. The written notice shall be provided to County at least 10 days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and 30 days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. Failure to provide written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance may constitute a material breach of the Master Agreement, in the sole discretion of the County, upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Master Agreement.

#### 8.23.4 Failure to Maintain Insurance

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

#### 8.23.5 Insurer Financial Ratings

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

#### 8.23.6 Contractor's Insurance Shall Be Primary

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

#### 8.23.7 Waivers of Subrogation

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

#### 8.23.8 Subcontractor Insurance Coverage Requirements

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

#### 8.23.9 Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions (SIRs)

Contractor's policies shall not obligate the County to pay any portion of any Contractor deductible or SIR. The County retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate policy deductibles and SIRs as respects the County, or to provide a bond guaranteeing Contractor's payment of all deductibles and SIRs, including all related claims investigation, administration and defense expenses. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

#### 8.23.10 Claims Made Coverage

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

#### 8.23.11 Application of Excess Liability Coverage

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

#### 8.23.12 Separation of Insureds

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

#### 8.23.13 Alternative Risk Financing Programs

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

8.23.14 County Review and Approval of Insurance Requirements

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

#### 8.24 Insurance Coverage

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

General Aggregate: \$3 million
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate: \$1 million
Personal and Advertising Injury: \$1 million
Each Occurrence: \$1 million

- 8.24.2 Automobile Liability insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CA 00 01) with limits of not less than \$1 million for bodily injury and property damage, in combined or equivalent split limits, for each single accident. Insurance shall cover liability arising out of Contractor's use of autos pursuant to this Master Agreement, including owned, leased, hired, and/or non-owned autos, as each may be applicable.
- 8.24.3 Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability insurance or qualified self-insurance satisfying statutory requirements. which includes Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than \$1 million per accident. If Contractor will provide leased employees, or, is an employee leasing or temporary staffing firm or a professional employer organization (PEO), coverage also shall include an Alternate Employer Endorsement (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form WC 00 03 01 A) naming the County as the Alternate Employer. The written notice shall be provided to County at least 10 days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and 30 days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. If applicable to Contractor's operations, coverage also shall be arranged to satisfy the requirements of any federal workers or workmen's compensation law or any federal occupational disease law.

#### 8.24.4 Unique Insurance Coverage

#### Sexual Misconduct Liability

Insurance covering actual or alleged claims for sexual misconduct and/or molestation with limits of not less than \$2 million per claim and \$2 million aggregate, and claims for negligent employment, investigation, supervision, training or retention of, or failure to report to proper authorities, a person(s) who committed any act of abuse, molestation, harassment, mistreatment or maltreatment of a sexual nature.

#### Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions

Insurance covering Contractor's liability arising from or related to this Master Agreement, with limits of not less than \$1 million per claim and \$3 million aggregate. Further, Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three years following this Agreement's expiration, termination or cancellation.

#### Technology Errors & Omissions Insurance

Insurance for liabilities arising from errors, omissions, or negligent acts in rendering or failing to render computer or information technology services and technology products. Coverage for violation of software copyright should be included. Technology services should at a minimum include (1) systems analysis; (2) systems programming; (3) data processing; (4) systems integration; (5) outsourcing including outsourcing development design; (6) systems design, and consulting, development and modification; (7) training services relating to computer software or hardware; (8) management, repair and maintenance of computer products, networks and systems; (9) marketing, selling, servicina. distributing, installing and maintaining computer hardware or software; (10) data entry, modification, verification, maintenance, storage, retrieval or preparation of data output, and any other services provided by the contractor with limits of not less than \$10 million.

#### Privacy/Network Security (Cyber) Liability

Insurance coverage providing protection against liability for (1) privacy breaches [liability arising from the loss or disclosure of confidential information

it occurs]; (2) system breach; no matter how denial or loss of service; (4) introduction, (3) implantation, or spread of malicious software code; (5) unauthorized access to or use of computer systems with limits of not less than \$2 million. exclusion/restriction for unencrypted portable devices/media may be on the policy.

#### 8.25 Liquidated Damages

- 8.25.1 If, in the judgment of the Director, the Contractor is deemed to be non-compliant with the terms and obligations assumed hereby, the Director, or designee, at his/her option, in addition to, or in lieu of, other remedies provided herein, may withhold the entire monthly payment or deduct pro rata from the Contractor's invoice for work not performed. A description of the work not performed and the amount to be withheld or deducted from payments to the Contractor from the County, will be forwarded to the Contractor by the Director, or his/her designee, in a written notice describing the reasons for said action.
- 8.25.2 If the Director determines that there are deficiencies in the performance of this Master Agreement that the Director or his/her designee, deems are correctable by the Contractor over a certain time span, the Director or designee, will provide a written notice to the Contractor to correct the deficiency within specified time frames. Should the Contractor fail to correct deficiencies within said time frame, the Director may:
  - (a) Deduct from the Contractor's payment, pro rata, those applicable portions of the Monthly Contract Sum; and/or
  - (b) Deduct liquidated damages. The parties agree that it will be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix the extent of actual damages resulting from the failure of the Contractor to correct a deficiency within the specified time frame. The parties hereby agree that under the current circumstances a reasonable estimate of such damages is one hundred dollars (\$100) per day per infraction, or as may be specified in any Performance Requirements Summary (PRS) Charts, and that the Contractor shall be liable to the County for liquidated damages in said amount. Said amount shall be deducted from the County's payment to the Contractor; and/or

- (c) Upon giving five days' notice to the Contractor for failure to correct the deficiencies, the County may correct any and all deficiencies and the total costs incurred by the County for completion of the work by an alternate source, whether it be County forces or separate private contractor, will be deducted and forfeited from the payment to the Contractor from the County, as determined by the County.
- 8.25.3 The action noted in sub-paragraph 8.25.2 shall not be construed as a penalty, but as adjustment of payment to the Contractor to recover the County cost due to the failure of the Contractor to complete or comply with the provisions of this Master Agreement.
- 8.25.4 This sub-paragraph shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to damages for any breach of this Master Agreement provided by law or as specified in the PRS or sub-paragraph 8.25.2, and shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to terminate this Master Agreement as agreed to herein.

#### 8.26 Intentionally Omitted

#### 8.27 Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action

- 8.27.1 The Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and shall be treated equally without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations.
- 8.27.2 The Contractor shall certify to, and comply with, the provisions of Exhibit C Contractor's EEO Certification.
- 8.27.3 The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Such action shall include, but is not limited to: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.
- 8.27.4 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its subcontractors, bidders, or contractors without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin,

- sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation.
- 8.27.5 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies shall comply with all applicable federal and State laws and regulations to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Master Agreement or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Master Agreement.
- 8.27.6 The Contractor shall allow County representatives access to the Contractor's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this Paragraph 8.27 when so requested by the County.
- 8.27.7 If the County finds that any provisions of this Paragraph 8.27 have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Master Agreement. While the County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment and Housing Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that the Contractor has violated federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by the County that the Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement.
- 8.27.8 The parties agree that in the event the Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement, the County shall, at its sole option, be entitled to the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for each such violation pursuant to California Civil Code 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Master Agreement.

#### 8.28 Non Exclusivity

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

### 8.29 Notice of Delays

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

#### 8.30 Notice of Disputes

The Contractor shall bring to the attention of the County Project Manager and/or County Project Director any dispute between the County and the Contractor regarding the performance of services as stated in this Master Agreement. If the County Project Manager is not able to resolve the dispute, the LACDMH Director, or designee, shall resolve it.

# 8.31 Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit

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

# 8.32 Notice to Employees Regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law

The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The information is set forth in Exhibit E, Safely Surrendered Baby Law of this Master Agreement. Additional information is available at <a href="https://www.babysafela.org">www.babysafela.org</a>.

#### 8.33 Notices

All notices or demands required or permitted to be given or made under this Master 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 as identified in Exhibits A, County's Administration and B, Contractor's Administration. Addresses may be changed by either party giving 10 days' prior written notice thereof to the other party. The Director of Mental Health or designee shall have the authority to issue all notices or demands required or permitted by the County under this Master Agreement.

#### 8.34 Prohibition Against Inducement or Persuasion

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

#### 8.35 Public Records Act

- 8.35.1 Any documents submitted by Contractor, all information obtained in connection with the County's right to audit and inspect Contractor's documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to Paragraph 8.37 Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement of this Master Agreement, as well as those documents which were required to be submitted in response to the RFSQ used in the solicitation process for this Master Agreement, become the exclusive property of the County. All such documents become a matter of public record and shall be regarded as public records. The County shall not in any way be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such records if disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- 8.35.2 In the event the County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of an SOQ, the Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify the County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, in action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

#### 8.36 Publicity

- 8.36.1 The Contractor shall not disclose any details in connection with this Master Agreement to any person or entity except as may be otherwise provided hereunder or required by law. However, in recognizing the Contractor's need to identify its services and related clients to sustain itself, the County shall not inhibit the Contractor from publishing its role under this Master Agreement within the following conditions:
  - The Contractor shall develop all publicity material in a professional manner; and
  - During the term of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall not, and shall not authorize another to,

publish or disseminate any commercial advertisements, press releases, feature articles, or other materials using the name of the County without the prior written consent of the County's Project Director. The County shall not unreasonably withhold written consent.

8.36.2 The Contractor may, without the prior written consent of County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this Master Agreement with the County of Los Angeles, provided that the requirements of this Paragraph 8.36 shall apply.

### 8.37 Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement

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

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

- 8.37.2 Failure on the part of the Contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this sub-paragraph shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Master Agreement.
- If, at any time during the term of this Master Agreement or 8.37.3 within five years after the expiration or termination of this Master Agreement, representatives of the County conduct an audit of the Contractor regarding the work performed under this Master Agreement, and if such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for any such work is less than payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be either: a) repaid by the Contractor to the County by cash payment upon demand or b) at the sole option of the County's Auditor-Controller, deducted from any amounts due to the Contractor from the County, whether under this Master Agreement or otherwise. If such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for such work is more than the payments made by the County to the Contractor. then the difference shall be paid to the Contractor by the County by cash payment, provided that in no event shall the County's maximum obligation for this Master Agreement exceed the funds appropriated by the County for the purpose of this Master Agreement.

### 8.38 Recycled Bond Paper

Consistent with the Board of Supervisors' policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at the County landfills, the Contractor agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible on this Master Agreement.

#### 8.39 Subcontracting

- 8.39.1 The requirements of this Master Agreement may not be subcontracted by the Contractor without the advance approval of the County. Any attempt by the Contractor to subcontract without the prior consent of the County may be deemed a material breach of this Master Agreement.
- 8.39.2 If the Contractor desires to subcontract, the Contractor shall provide the following information promptly at the County's request:
  - A description of the work to be performed by the subcontractor;
  - A draft copy of the proposed subcontract; and
  - Other pertinent information and/or certifications requested by the County.

- 8.39.3 The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the County harmless with respect to the activities of each and every subcontractor in the same manner and to the same degree as if such subcontractor(s) were Contractor employees.
- 8.39.4 The Contractor shall remain fully responsible for all performances required of it under this Master Agreement, including those that the Contractor has determined to subcontract, notwithstanding the County's approval of the Contractor's proposed subcontract.
- 8.39.5 The County's consent to subcontract shall not waive the County's right to prior and continuing approval of any and all personnel, including subcontractor employees, providing services under this Master Agreement. The Contractor is responsible to notify its subcontractors of this County right.
- 8.39.6 The County's MAPD is authorized to act for and on behalf of the County with respect to approval of any subcontract and subcontractor employees. After approval of the subcontract by the County, Contractor shall forward a fully executed subcontract to the County for their files.
- 8.39.7 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for all payments or other compensation to all subcontractors and their officers, employees, agents, and successors in interest arising through services performed hereunder, notwithstanding the County's consent to subcontract.
- 8.39.8 The Contractor shall obtain certificates of insurance, which establish that the subcontractor maintains all the programs of insurance required by the County from each approved subcontractor. Before any subcontractor employee may perform any work hereunder, the Contractor shall ensure delivery of all such documents to:

Attention: Solicitations Team
County of Los Angeles — Department of Mental Health
Contracts Development and Administration Division
510 S. Vermont Avenue 20<sup>th</sup> Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90020

# 8.40 Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Child Support Compliance Program

Failure of the Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Paragraph 8.13 - Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program, shall constitute a default under this Master Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to the County under any other

provision of this Master Agreement, failure of Contractor to cure such default within 90 calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which the County may terminate this Master Agreement pursuant to Paragraph 8.42 - Termination for Default and pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

#### 8.41 Termination for Convenience

- 8.41.1 The County may terminate this Master Agreement in whole or in part, from time to time or permanently, when such action is deemed by the County, in its sole discretion, to be in its best interest. Termination of work hereunder shall be effected by notice of termination to Contractor specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The date upon which such termination becomes effective shall be no less than 10 days after the notice is sent.
- 8.41.2 Upon receipt of a notice of termination and except as otherwise directed by the County, the Contractor shall immediately:
  - Stop work under this Master Agreement, as identified in such notice;
  - Transfer title and deliver to County all completed work and work in process; and
  - Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by such notice.
- 8.41.3 All material including books, records, documents, or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Contractor under this Master Agreement shall be maintained by the Contractor in accordance with sub-paragraph 8.37, Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement.

#### 8.42 Termination for Default

- 8.42.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this Master Agreement, if, in the judgment of County's Project Director:
  - Contractor has materially breached this Master Agreement;
  - Contractor fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required either under this Master Agreement; or
  - Contractor fails to demonstrate a high probability of timely fulfillment of performance requirements under this Master Agreement, or of any obligations of this Master

Agreement and in either case, fails to demonstrate convincing progress toward a cure within five working days (or such longer period as the County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from the County specifying such failure.

- 8.42.2 In the event that the County terminates this Master Agreement in whole or in part as provided in sub-paragraph 8.42.1, the County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the County may deem appropriate, goods and services similar to those so terminated. The Contractor shall be liable to the County for any and all excess costs incurred by the County, as determined by the County, for such similar goods and services. The Contractor shall continue the performance of this Master Agreement to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this sub-paragraph.
- 8.42.3 Except with respect to defaults of any subcontractor, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs of the type identified in sub-paragraph 8.42.2 if its failure to perform this Master Agreement, arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not limited to: acts of God or of the public enemy; acts of the County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity; acts of federal or State governments in their sovereign capacities; fires; floods; epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes; freight embargoes; and, unusually severe weather. But in every case, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both the Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this sub-paragraph 8.42.3, the terms "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractor(s) at any tier.
- 8.42.4 If, after the County has given notice of termination under the provisions of this Paragraph 8.42, it is determined by the County that the Contractor was not in default under the provisions of this Paragraph 8.42, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of sub-paragraph 8.42.3, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if

- the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to Paragraph 8.41 Termination for Convenience.
- 8.42.5 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Paragraph 8.42 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

#### 8.43 Termination for Improper Consideration

- 8.43.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, immediately terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Master Agreement if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by the Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing this Master Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or extension of this Master Agreement or the making of any determinations with respect to the Contractor's performance pursuant to this Master Agreement. In the event of such termination, the County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.
- 8.43.2 The Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861.
- 8.43.3 Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

### 8.44 Termination for Insolvency

- 8.44.1 The County may terminate this Master Agreement forthwith in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:
  - Insolvency of the Contractor. The Contractor shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts for at least 60 days in the ordinary course of business or cannot pay its debts as they become due, whether or not a petition has been filed under the Federal Bankruptcy Code and whether or not the Contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
  - The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition regarding the Contractor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code;

- The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for the Contractor; or
- The execution by the Contractor of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.
- 8.44.2 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Paragraph 8.44 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

# 8.45 Termination for Non-Adherence of County Lobbyist Ordinance

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

### 8.46 Intentionally Omitted

#### 8.47 Validity

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

#### 8.48 Waiver

No waiver by the County of any breach of any provision of this Master Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any other breach or of such provision. Failure of the County to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Master Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver thereof. The rights and remedies set forth in this Paragraph 8.48 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

#### 8.49 Warranty Against Contingent Fees

8.49.1 The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Master Agreement upon any agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business.

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

# 8.50 Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program

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

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

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

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Paragraph 8.50 "Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program" shall constitute default under this Master Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this Master Agreement, failure of Contractor to cure such default within 10 days of notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this Master Agreement and/or pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.206.

## 8.52 Time Off For Voting

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the time off for voting law (Elections Code Section 14000). Not less than 10 days before every statewide election, Contractor and any subcontractor shall keep posted conspicuously at the place of work, if practicable, or elsewhere where it can be seen as employees come or go to their place of work, a notice setting forth the provisions of Elections Code Section 14000.

# 8.53 Compliance with County's Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking

Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking prohibiting contractors from engaging in human trafficking.

If Contractor or a member of Contractor's staff is convicted of a human trafficking offense, the County shall require that the Contractor or member of Contractor's staff be removed immediately from performing services under the Master Agreement. County will not be under any obligation to disclose confidential information regarding the offenses other than those required by law.

Disqualification of any member of Contractor's staff pursuant to this paragraph shall not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement.

### 8.54 Compliance with Fair Chance Employment Practices

Contractor shall comply with fair chance employment hiring practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952, Employment Discrimination: Conviction History. Contractor's violation of this paragraph of the Contract may constitute a material breach of the Contract. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Master Agreement.

#### 8.55 Compliance with the County Policy of Equity

The Contractor acknowledges that the County takes its commitment to preserving the dignity and professionalism of the workplace very seriously, as set forth in the County Policy of Equity (CPOE) (<a href="https://ceop.lacounty.gov/">https://ceop.lacounty.gov/</a>). The Contractor further acknowledges that the County strives to provide a workplace free from discrimination, harassment, retaliation and inappropriate conduct based on a protected characteristic, and which may violate the CPOE. The Contractor, its employees and subcontractors acknowledge and certify receipt and understanding of the CPOE. Failure of the Contractor, its employees or its subcontractors to uphold the County's expectations of a workplace free from harassment and discrimination, including inappropriate conduct based on a protected characteristic, may subject the Contractor to termination of contractual agreements as well as civil liability.

### 8.56 Prohibition from Participation in Future Solicitation(s)

Bidders, contractors, subsidiaries, and/or subcontractors are prohibited from submitting a bid in a County solicitation if the bidder/contractor/subsidiary/subcontractor has provided advice or consultation for the solicitation. A bidder/contractor/subsidiary/subcontractor is also prohibited from submitting a bid in a County solicitation if the bidder/contractor/subsidiary/subcontractor has developed or prepared any of the solicitation materials on behalf of the County. A violation of this provision shall result in the disqualification of the contractor/bidder/subsidiary/subcontractor from participation in the County solicitation or the termination or cancellation of any resultant County contract. This provision shall survive the expiration, or other termination of this Agreement.

- 8.56.1 Board of Supervisors' Policy 5.090-Contractor Independence, establishes procedures precluding firms or persons that assisted the County in developing a solicitation document, from subsequently being involved in the bidding process on that solicitation.
- 8.56.2 The policy states that "The County Board of Supervisors has adopted a countywide policy that prohibits any person, or any firm or any subsidiary of a firm [collectively "firm"] from submitting a bid or proposal in any County solicitation process assisted where the person or firm. in the development of solicitation document(s): the https://library.municode.com/ca/la\_county\_bos/codes/board\_policy.

Neither a Contractor, subsidiary of nor Subcontractor to Contractor, nor a Proposer that assisted in the development of the solicitation document(s) shall participate, in any way, in any future solicitations conducted by County that includes, or is based upon any services rendered by the Contractor/Proposer under this Contract. As this prohibition applies to Subcontractors of the Contractor, the Contractor shall notify any Subcontractors providing services under this Contract of this prohibition before they commence work. Any response to a solicitation submitted by the Contractor/Proposer, or by any subsidiary of or Subcontractor to the Contractor/Proposer in violation of this provision shall be rejected by County. This provision shall survive the expiration, or other termination of this Contract.

The policy is not applicable to a Proposer, Contractor, or its subsidiary or Subcontractor that has participated in a County released Request for Information process."

#### 8.57 COVID-19 Vaccinations of County Contractor Personnel

- 1. At Contractor's sole cost, Contractor shall comply with Chapter 2.212 (COVID-19 Vaccinations of County Contractor Personnel) of County Code Title 2 Administration, Division 4. All employees of Contractor and persons working on its behalf, including but not limited to, Subcontractors of any tier (collectively, "Contractor Personnel"), must be fully vaccinated against the novel coronavirus 2019 ("COVID-19") prior to (1) interacting in person with County employees, interns, volunteers, and commissioners ("County workforce members"), (2) working on County owned or controlled property while performing services under this Contract, and/or (3) coming into contact with the public while performing services under this Contract (collectively, "In-Person Services").
- 2. Contractor Personnel are considered "fully vaccinated" against COVID-19 two (2) weeks or more after they have received (1) the second dose in a 2-dose COVID-19 vaccine series (e.g. Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna), (2) a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine (e.g. Johnson and Johnson [J&J]/Janssen), or (3) the final dose of any COVID-19 vaccine authorized by the World Health Organization ("WHO").
- 3. Prior to assigning Contractor Personnel to perform In-Person Services, Contractor shall obtain proof that such Contractor Personnel have been fully vaccinated by confirming Contractor vaccinated through the following Personnel is any of documentation: (1) official COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card (issued by the Department of Health and Human Services, CDC or WHO Yellow Card), which includes the name of the person vaccinated, type of vaccine provided, and date of the last dose administered ("Vaccination Record Card"); (2) copy (including a photographic copy) of a Vaccination Record Card; (3) Documentation of vaccination from a licensed medical provider; (4) a digital record that includes a quick response ("QR") code that when scanned by a SMART HealthCard reader displays to the reader client name, date of birth, vaccine dates, and vaccine type, and the QR code confirms the vaccine record as an official record of the State of California; or (5) documentation of vaccination from Contractors who follow the CDPH vaccination records guidelines and standards. Contractor shall also provide written notice to

County before the start of work under this Contract that its Contractor Personnel are in compliance with the requirements of this section. Contractor shall retain such proof of vaccination for the document retention period set forth in this Contract, and must provide such records to the County for audit purposes, when required by County.

- 4. Contractor shall evaluate any medical or sincerely held religious exemption request of its Contractor Personnel, as required by law. If Contractor has determined that Contractor Personnel is exempt pursuant to a medical or sincerely held religious reason, the Contractor must also maintain records of the Contractor Personnel's testing results. The Contractor must provide such records to the County for audit purposes, when required by County. The unvaccinated exempt Contractor Personnel must meet the following requirements prior to (1) interacting in person with County workforce members, (2) working on County owned or controlled property while performing services under this Contract, and/or (3) coming into contact with the public while performing services under this Contract:
  - a. Test for COVID-19 with either a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) or antigen test has an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) by the FDA or is operating per the Laboratory Developed Test requirements by the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Testing must occur at least weekly, or more frequently as required by County or other applicable law, regulation or order.
  - b. Wear a mask that is consistent with CDC recommendations at all times while on County controlled or owned property, and while engaging with members of the public and county workforce members.
  - c. Engage in proper physical distancing, as determined by the applicable contracting County Department.
- 5. In addition to complying with the requirements of this section, Contractor shall also comply with all other applicable local, departmental, State, and federal laws, regulations and requirements for COVID-19. A completed Exhibit G (COVID-19 Certification of Compliance) is a required part of any agreement with the County.

#### 9.0 UNIQUE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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

- 9.1.1 The parties acknowledge the existence of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and its implementing regulations. Contractor understands and agrees that, as a provider of medical treatment services, it is a "covered entity" under HIPAA and, as such, has obligations with respect to the confidentiality, privacy, and security of patients' medical information, and must take certain steps to preserve the confidentiality of this information, both internally and externally, including the training of its staff and the establishment of proper procedures for the release of such information, including the use of appropriate consents and authorizations specified under HIPAA.
- 9.1.2 The parties acknowledge their separate and independent obligations with respect to HIPAA and that such obligations relate to transactions and code sets, privacy, and security. Contractor understands and agrees that it is separately and independently responsible for compliance with HIPAA in all these areas and that County has not undertaken any responsibility for compliance on Contractor's behalf. Contractor has not relied, and will not in any way rely, on County for legal advice or other representations with respect to Contractor's obligations under HIPAA but will independently seek its own counsel and take the necessary measures to comply with the law and its implementing regulations.
- 9.1.3 Contractor and County understand and agree that each is independently responsible for HIPAA compliance and agree to take all necessary and reasonable actions to comply with the requirements of the HIPAA laws and implementing regulations related to transactions and code sets, privacy, and security.
- 9.1.4 Each party further agrees that, should it fail to comply with its obligations under HIPAA, it shall indemnify and hold harmless the other party (including the other party's officers, employees, and agents), for damages to the other party that are attributable to such failure.

### 9.2 Intentionally Omitted

#### 9.3 Ownership of Materials, Software and Copyright

9.3.1 County shall be the sole owner of all right, title and interest, including copyright, in and to all software, plans, diagrams, facilities, and tools (hereafter "materials") which are

- originated or created through Contractor's work pursuant to this Master Agreement. Contractor, for valuable consideration herein provided, shall execute all documents necessary to assign and transfer to, and vest in the County all Contractor's right, title and interest in and to such original materials, including any copyright, patent and trade secret rights which arise pursuant to Contractor's work under this Master Agreement.
- 9.3.2 During the term of this Master Agreement and for five years thereafter, Contractor shall maintain and provide security for all Contractor's working papers prepared under this Master Agreement. County shall have the right to inspect, copy and use at any time during and subsequent to the term of this Master Agreement, any and all such working papers and all information contained therein.
- 9.3.3 Any and all materials, software and tools which are developed or were originally acquired by Contractor outside the scope of this Master Agreement, which Contractor desires to use hereunder, and which Contractor considers to be proprietary or confidential, must be specifically identified by Contractor to County's Project Manager as proprietary or confidential, and shall be plainly and prominently marked by Contractor as "Propriety" or "Confidential" on each appropriate page of any document containing such material.
- 9.3.4 County will use reasonable means to ensure that Contractor's proprietary and/or confidential items are safeguarded and held in confidence. County agrees not to reproduce, distribute or disclose to non-County entities any such proprietary and/or confidential items without the prior written consent of Contractor.
- 9.3.5 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Master Agreement, County will not be obligated to Contractor in any way under sub-paragraph 9.3.4 for any of Contractor's proprietary and/or confidential items which are not plainly and prominently marked with restrictive legends as required by sub-paragraph 9.3.3 or for any disclosure which County is required to make under any state or federal law or order of court.
- 9.3.6 All the rights and obligations of this Paragraph 9.3 shall survive the expiration or termination of this Master Agreement.

### 9.4 Patent, Copyright and Trade Secret Indemnification

- 9.4.1 Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend County from and against any and all liability, damages, costs, and expenses, including, but not limited to, defense costs and attorneys' fees, for or by reason of any actual or alleged infringement of any third party's patent or copyright, or any actual or alleged unauthorized trade secret disclosure, arising from or related to the operation and utilization of Contractor's work under this Master Agreement. County shall inform Contractor as soon as practicable of any claim or action alleging such infringement or unauthorized disclosure, and shall support Contractor's defense and settlement thereof.
- 9.4.2 In the event any equipment, part thereof, or software product becomes the subject of any complaint, claim, or proceeding alleging infringement or unauthorized disclosure, such that County's continued use of such item is formally restrained, enjoined, or subjected to a risk of damages, Contractor, at its sole expense, and providing that County's continued use of the system is not materially impeded, shall either:
  - Procure for County all rights to continued use of the questioned equipment, part, or software product; or
  - Replace the questioned equipment, part, or software product with a non-questioned item; or
  - Modify the questioned equipment, part, or software so that it is free of claims.
- 9.4.3 Contractor shall have no liability if the alleged infringement or unauthorized disclosure is based upon a use of the questioned product, either alone or in combination with other items not supplied by Contractor, in a manner for which the questioned product was not designed nor intended.

#### 9.5 Contractor's Charitable Activities Compliance

The Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act regulates entities receiving or raising charitable contributions. The "Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004" (SB 1262, Chapter 919) increased Charitable Purposes Act requirements. By requiring contractors to complete the Charitable Contributions Certification, Exhibit I, the County seeks to ensure that all County contractors which receive or raise charitable contributions comply with California law in order to protect the County and its taxpayers. A contractor which receives or raises charitable contributions without complying with its obligations under California law commits a material breach

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

# 9.6 Social Enterprise (SE) Preference Program

- 9.6.1 This Master Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled SE Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.205 of the Los Angeles County Code.
- 9.6.2 Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a SE.
- 9.6.3 Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a SE.
- 9.6.4 If Contractor has obtained County certification as a SE by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this Master Agreement to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, Contractor shall:
  - Pay to the County any difference between the Master Agreement amount and what the County's costs would have been if the Master Agreement had been properly awarded;
  - In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1) above, the Contractor will be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than 10% of the amount of the Master Agreement; and
  - 3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Non-responsibility and Contractor Debarment).

The above penalties shall also apply to any entity that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify

the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a Master Agreement award.

#### 9.7 Data Destruction

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

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

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

#### 9.8 Intentionally Omitted

# 9.9 Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility And Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions (45 C.F.R. PART 76)

The Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County is prohibited from contracting with and making sub-awards to parties that are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded or whose principals are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. By executing this Master Agreement, Contractor certifies that neither it nor any of its owners, officers, partners, directors or other principals is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded

contracts. Further, by executing this Master 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 Master Agreement upon which the County may immediately terminate or suspend this Master Agreement.

# 9.10 Contractor's Exclusion From Participation In A Federally Funded Program

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

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

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

Permissive exclusions may be based on: (1) conviction of a misdemeanor related to fraud or financial misconduct involving a government program; (2) obstructing an investigation; (3) failing to provide access to documents or premises as required by Federal health care program officials; (4) conviction of a misdemeanor related to controlled substances; (5) failing to disclose information

about the entity itself, its Sub-Contractors or its significant business transactions; (6) loss of a state license to practice a health care profession; (7) default on a student loan given in connection with education in a health profession; (8) charging excessive amounts to a Federally funded health care program or furnishing services of poor quality or which are substantially in excess of the needs of the patients; (9) paying a kickback or submitting a false or fraudulent claim. Persons controlling or managing excluded entities who knew of the conduct leading to the exclusion can themselves be excluded, and entities which are owned and controlled by excluded individuals can also be excluded.

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

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

#### 9.11 Contractor's Charitable Activities Compliance

The Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act regulates entities receiving or raising charitable contributions. The "Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004" (SB 1262, Chapter 919) increased Charitable Purposes Act requirements. By requiring contractors to complete the Charitable Contributions Certification, Exhibit I, the County seeks to ensure that all County contractors which receive or raise charitable contributions comply with California law in order to protect the County and its taxpayers. A contractor which receives or raises charitable contributions without complying with its obligations under California law commits a material breach subjecting it to either contract termination or debarment proceedings or both. (County Code Chapter 2.202)

### 9.12 Restrictions On Lobbying

If any federal funds are to be used to pay for any of Contractor's services under this Master Agreement, Contractor shall fully comply with all certification and disclosure requirements prescribed by Section 319 of Public Law 101 121 (31 United States Code Section 1352) and any implementing regulations, and shall ensure that

each of its subcontractors receiving funds under this Master Agreement also fully complies with all such certification and disclosure requirements.

#### 9.13 Disclosures

9.13.1 Disclosure of 5% or more Ownership Interest: Pursuant to Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Paragraph 455.104, Contractor shall submit the disclosures below to County regarding ownership and control. Contractor shall provide the certification set forth in Exhibit J (Ownership/Controlling Interest Disclosure) as part of its obligation under this Paragraph 9.13. Contractor must submit updated disclosures (Exhibit J) to County before entering into this Master Agreement, and within 35 days after any change in the Contractor's ownership or upon request by the County. Contractor shall send all the disclosures to those persons and addresses which are set forth in Paragraph 8.33 (NOTICES).

#### (a) Disclosures to be provided:

- i. The name and address of any person (individual or corporation) with an ownership of control interest in the Contractor's business. The address for corporate entities shall include, as applicable, a primary business address, every business location, and a P.O. Box address:
- ii. Date of birth and Social Security Number (in the case of an individual);
- iii. Other tax identification number (in the case of corporation with a 5% or more ownership or control interest in Contractors' business);
- iv. Whether the person (individual or corporation) with an ownership or control interest in the Contractor's business is related to another person with ownership or control in the Contractor's business such as a spouse, parent, child, or sibling;
- v. The name of any other disclosing entity in which the Contractor has an ownership or control interest: and
- vi. The name, address, date of birth, and Social Security Number of any managing employee of the Contractor.

- 9.13.2 Disclosures Related to Business Transactions: Contractor must submit disclosures and updated disclosures to County including information regarding certain business transactions within 35 days, upon request:
  - (a) The ownership of any subcontractor with whom the Contractor has had business transactions totaling more than \$25,000 during the 12-month period ending on the date of the request; and
  - (b) Any significant business transactions between the Contractor and any subcontractor during the five-year period ending on the date of the request.
- 9.13.3 Disclosure Related to Persons Convicted of Crimes: Contractor shall submit the following disclosures to County regarding the Contractor's management:
  - (a) The identity of any person who is a managing employee of the Contractor who has been convicted of a crime related to federal health care programs (42 CFR Paragraph 455.106(a)(1), (2).)
  - (b) The identity of any person who is an agent of the Contractor who has been convicted of a crime related to federal health care programs (42 CFR Paragraph 455.106(a)(1), (2).) For this purpose, the word "agent" has the meaning described in 42 CFR Paragraph 455.101.
  - (c) The Contractor shall supply the disclosures before entering into the contract and at any time upon County's request.
  - (d) Contractor's subcontractors, if any, shall submit the same disclosures to the Contractor regarding the subcontractors' owners, persons with controlling interest, agents, and managing employees' criminal convictions. Subcontractors shall supply the disclosures before entering into a subcontract and at any time upon County's request.

# 9.14 Certification Of Drug-Free Work Place

Contractor certifies and agrees that Contractor and its employees shall comply with DMH's policy of maintaining a drug-free work place. Contractor and its employees shall not manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess, or use any controlled substances as defined in 21 United States Code Section 812, including, but not

limited to, marijuana, heroin, cocaine, and amphetamines, at any of Contractor's facilities or work sites or County's facilities or work sites. If Contractor or any of its employees is convicted of or pleads nolo contendere to any criminal drug statute violation occurring at any such facility or work site, then Contractor, within five days thereafter, shall notify Director in writing.

### 9.15 Technology Requirements

- 9.15.1 Contractor shall acquire, manage, and maintain Contractor's own information technology, infrastructure, platforms, systems and/or services in order to meet all requirements specified by County for interoperability.
- 9.15.2 Contractor shall ensure that each individual using electronic methods to sign electronic health records in the performance of work specified under this Contract completes an Electronic Signature Agreement annually. The Electronic Signature Agreement shall be substantially similar to the sample available at:

https://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/dmh/1075616\_1049221\_N GARMDBulletin10-011-ElectronicSignaturesandElectronicallySignedRecords.pdf

- 9.15.2.1 Contractor shall maintain a copy of each Electronic Signature Contract and make them available for inspection by County upon request.
- 9.15.2.2 Contractor shall submit to County an Electronic Signature Certification to certify compliance with this provision of this Contract. Contractors who implement electronic methods to sign electronic health records subsequent to the execution of this Contract shall submit to County a Legal Entity Electronic Signature Certification immediately upon implementation. The Electronic Signature Certification to be used by Contractor is found at:

https://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/dmh/1075616\_1049221\_N GARMDBulletin10-011-ElectronicSignaturesandElectronicallySignedRecords.pdf

#### 9.16 Contractor Protection of Electronic County Information

9.16.1 The Board has recognized that the County must ensure that appropriate safeguards are in place to protect public data and

avoid the penalties and fines that may be imposed when unprotected confidential/sensitive information is disclosed inappropriately. County Policy 5.200 "Contractor Protection of Electronic County Information" provides specific details and accessed the following can be at link: https://library.municode.com/ca/la county bos/codes/board p olicy?nodeId=CH5COPU 5.200COPRELCOIN. The policy was adopted to protect personal information (PI); protected health information (PHI) and medical information (MI) electronically stored and/or transmitted by County contractors. Contractor agrees that it will comply with County Policy 5.200, as it now exists or as it might be modified in the future, as it relates to information acquired in the course of providing services during the term of this Contract.

- 9.16.2 Contractor shall sign Exhibit L (Attestation Regarding Information Security Requirements) to attest compliance with Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Policy No. 5.200 "Contractor Protection of Electronic County Information" and acknowledge that it is the responsibility of the Contractor to access the following link: https://dmh.lacounty.gov/contractexhibits for Information Security documents annually and/or upon notification by DMH of updated Information Security documents. Contractor must demonstrate its compliance with Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Policies and the security and privacy standards set forth in, Exhibit G-4, Information Security and Privacy Requirements for Contracts submit required Exhibit G-5 DMH Contractor's Compliance with Information Security Requirements Exhibit annually. Security and privacy requirements shall apply to all County PI, PHI and MI electronically stored or transmitted by contractors and subcontractors, irrespective of storage and/or transmission methodology.
- 9.16.3 Contractor must ensure that prior to access, its workforce members, including subcontractors that create, receive, maintain, or transmit Protected Health Information, acknowledge and sign, Exhibit G-6, Confidentiality Oath (Non-DMH Workforce Members). In addition, Contractor shall submit Electronic Data Transmission Trading Partner Exhibit (TPE) annually. Contractor must access the following link: https://dmh.lacounty.gov/contract-exhibits for Information Security documents annually and/or upon notification by DMH of updated Information Security document as stated in Exhibit L (Attestation Regarding Information Security Requirements). Contractor must maintain and make available upon request.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Contractor has executed this Master Agreement, or caused it to be duly executed and the County of Los Angeles, by order of its Board of Supervisors has caused this Master Agreement to be executed on its behalf by the Director of Mental Health or his designee thereof, the day and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
By JONATHAN E. SHERIN, M.D., Ph.D.
Director of Mental Health
CONTRACTOR
CONTRACTOR
By
Name
Title
(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL HERE)

APPROVED AS TO FORM: OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL