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County of Los Angeles  
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVAL TO EXECUTE TWO NEW SOLE SOURCE TRAINING  
CONTRACTS WITH PRACTICEWISE, LLC, AND WITH  
INTERPERSONAL PSYCHOTHERAPY INSTITUTE, LLC**

**(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)  
(3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

Request approval to execute a new sole source contract with: 1) PracticeWise, LLC, to fund the Managing and Adapting Practice Training Program for provision of Managing and Adapting Practice System; and 2) Interpersonal Psychotherapy Institute, LLC, to fund the interpersonal psychotherapy continuing education training program, for DMH clinicians and contracted providers.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Approve and authorize the Director of Mental Health (Director), or designee, to prepare, sign, and execute a new sole source contract, substantially similar to Attachment I, with PracticeWise, LLC, (PracticeWise) to fund the Managing and Adapting Practice (MAP) Training Program. The new sole source contract will be effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026, with the option of three annual extensions. The Total Contract Amount (TCA) for the term of the contract will be \$696,832: \$483,802 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25, and \$213,030 for FY 2025-26, fully funded by Mental Health Services Act-Prevention and Early Intervention (MHSA-PEI) revenue.
2. Approve and authorize the Director, or designee, to prepare, sign, and execute a new sole source contract, substantially similar to Attachment II, with Interpersonal Psychotherapy Institute, LLC (IPT Institute), to fund the interpersonal psychotherapy continuing education training program. The new sole source contract will be effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026, with the option of three

annual extensions. The TCA for the term of the contract will be \$484,800: \$242,400 for FY 2024-25 and \$242,400 for FY 2025-26, fully funded by MHSA-PEI revenue.

3. Delegate authority to the Director, or designee, to prepare, sign, and execute future amendments to the sole source contracts in Recommendations 1 and 2 to revise the contract language; revise and/or replace the Fiscal Provisions and the TCA; rollover unspent funds; use other funding sources if necessary; add, delete, modify, or replace the Statement of Work; and/or reflect federal, State and County regulatory and/or policy changes; provided that: 1) the TCA will not exceed an increase of 10 percent from the Board approved TCA in Recommendations 1 and 2; and 2) sufficient funds are available. These amendments will be subject to prior review and approval as to form by County Counsel, with written notice to your Board and the Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

4. Delegate authority to the Director, or designee, to terminate the contracts described in Recommendations 1 and 2 in accordance with the termination provisions, including Termination for Convenience. The Director, or designee, will provide a written notification to your Board and CEO, in writing, of such termination action.

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

Both PracticeWise and IPT Institute are integral to Department of Mental Health's (DMH) ability to train and maintain well-developed mental health professionals throughout Los Angeles County (County). Through these contracts, DMH and contracted mental health professionals, will have access to MAP trainings that will allow them to develop proficiency in the selection, organization, delivery, and evaluation of common practices used in evidence-based approaches. Additionally, through the IPT trainings they will work with clients to improve the quality of clients' interpersonal relationships and social functioning to increase their social support and help reduce overall distress. IPT is focused on one or more interpersonal problem areas including interpersonal disputes, role transitions, and grief and loss issues.

Board approval of Recommendation 1 will allow DMH to execute a new sole source contract with PracticeWise effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026, with the option of three annual extensions, to offer MAP trainings to DMH clinicians and its contracted providers and supervisors.

Board approval of Recommendation 2 will allow DMH to execute a new sole source contract with IPT Institute effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026, with the option of three annual extensions, to offer IPT trainings to DMH clinicians and its contracted providers.

Board approval of Recommendation 3 will allow DMH to amend the sole source contract with PracticeWise and IPT Institute to add, delete, modify, or replace the Fiscal Provisions, Statement of Work and/or responsibilities of DMH, PracticeWise, and IPT Institute; reflect federal, State, and County regulatory and/or policy changes; rollover unspent funds and/or modify the TCA.

Board approval of Recommendation 4 will allow DMH to terminate the sole source contract with PracticeWise and IPT Institute in accordance with the contract's termination provisions in a timely manner, as necessary.

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

These recommended actions support the County's Strategic Plan North Star 1, Make Investments that Transform Lives, specifically Focus Area Goal A – Healthy Individuals and Families, and Focus

Area Goal B – Employment and Sustainable Wages.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The contract with PracticeWise is fully funded by MHSA-PEI revenue in the amount of \$696,832 for two fiscal years. Funding for FY 2024-25 and FY 2025-26 will be included in the annual budget request process for the respective year.

The contract with IPT Institute is fully funded by MHSA-PEI revenue in the amount of \$484,800 for two fiscal years. Funding for FY 2024-25 and FY 2025-26 will be included in the annual budget request process for the respective year.

There is no net County cost impact associated with the recommended actions.

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

PracticeWise is the exclusive vendor that provides training and distributes online information and resources for the MAP system to improve the quality, efficiency, and outcomes of health and human services. Trainings, tools, and resources provided by PracticeWise are necessary and mandatory for DMH clinicians and contracted providers and their supervisors for continued provision of MAP services. MAP was designed to

(a) reinforce continued quality improvement in the direct care of youth, and (b) expand the capacity of DMH and its providers' network to independently sustain and enhance service delivery.

Evaluations of the MAP program found evidence of favorable results for youth and effective development of services provided. In the past, DMH utilized the annual purchase order process to acquire MAP training services from PracticeWise. However, since it is integral to DMH's ability to maintain well-developed mental health professionals throughout the County on an on-going basis, DMH determined that it is more efficient to execute an ongoing contract with PracticeWise. DMH estimates that approximately 144 clinicians and 12 supervisors will be trained annually.

Continuing education trainings provided by the IPT Institute are essential for DMH and its contracted providers because IPT is currently the only Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) that addresses treatment of depression through the lens of bolstering social support and is one of the highest utilized PEI EBPs throughout Los Angeles County. In the past, DMH utilized the annual purchase order process to acquire IPT training services from IPT Institute. Since it is integral to DMH's ability to maintain well-developed mental health professionals throughout the County on on-going basis, DMH has determined that it is more efficient to execute an ongoing contract with IPT Institute. Executing a contract with IPT Institute will save DMH a significant amount of administrative time and cost. DMH estimates that approximately 180 clinicians will be trained through three cohort programs annually.

In accordance with Board Policy No. 5.100 (Sole Source Contracts):

- DMH notified your Board (Attachment III) of its intent to execute a new sole source contract with PracticeWise and, as we did not hear otherwise, we are moving forward with this action. The required Sole Source Checklist (Attachment IV) identifying and justifying the need for a sole source contract has been approved by the CEO.
- DMH notified your Board (Attachment V) of its intent to execute a new sole source contract with IPT Institute and, as we did not hear otherwise, we are moving forward with this action. The required

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Sole Source Checklist (Attachment VI) identifying and justifying the need for a sole source contract has been approved by the CEO.

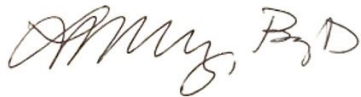
The two sole source contracts (Attachment I & II) have been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

As mandated by your Board, the performance of all contractors is evaluated by DMH on an annual basis to ensure compliance with all contract terms and performance standards.

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

Board approval of the recommended actions will allow DMH clinicians and contracted providers to continue developing proficiency in provision of MAP services and interpersonal psychotherapy services and continue providing quality services to clients.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy, Psy.D.", is written over the printed name.

LISA H. WONG, Psy.D.

Director

LHW:CDD:KN:SK:CM:atm

Enclosures

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



**CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
AND**

**PRACTICEWISE, LLC**

**MANAGING AND ADAPTING PRACTICE TRAINING PROGRAM**

MH280008

**Contract Number**

340 Lee Ave.

NA

**Legal Entity Number**

Satellite Beach, FL 32937

**Contractor Headquarters Address**

153477

**Vendor Number**

**Contractor Headquarters' Supervisorial District** Out of State

**Contractor Headquarters' Service Area** Out of State

**Contractor Service Provision Supervisorial District(s)** All

**Contractor Service Provision Service Area(s)** All

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- K** Attestation Regarding Information Security Requirements
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**CONTRACT BETWEEN  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
AND  
PRACTICEWISE, L.L.C.  
FOR  
MANAGING AND ADAPTING PRACTICE TRAINING PROGRAM**

This Contract ("Contract") made and entered into on July 1, 2024 by and between the County of Los Angeles, hereinafter referred to as "County" and PracticeWise, L.L.C., hereinafter referred to as "Contractor". PracticeWise, L.L.C., is located at 340 Lee Ave. Satellite Beach, FL, 32937.

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the Contractor is a private firm specializing in providing Managing and Adapting Practice Training Services; and

WHEREAS, on June 04, 2024, the Board of Supervisors delegated authority to the Director of Mental Health, or designee to execute the contract.

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

Entire Contract: The body of this Contract, all exhibits, Statement of Work (SOW) and Fiscal Provisions attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, for this Contract, as approved in writing by the Director, including any addenda thereto as approved in writing by the Director, which are incorporated herein by reference but not attached, will constitute the complete and exclusive statement of understanding between the parties which supersedes all previous Contracts, written or oral, and all other communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Contract. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the definition or interpretation of any word, responsibility, schedule, or the contents or description of any task, deliverable, goods, service, or other work, or otherwise between the base Contract and the Exhibits, or between Exhibits, such conflict or inconsistency will be resolved by giving precedence first to the terms and conditions of the Contract and then to the Exhibits according to the following priority.

### **Standard Exhibits:**

Exhibit A	Statement of Work and Attachments
Exhibit B	Fiscal Provisions
Exhibit C	Intentionally Omitted
Exhibit D	County's Administration
Exhibit E	Contractor's Administration
Exhibit F	Forms Required at the Time of Contract Execution
Exhibit G	Safely Surrendered Baby Law

### **Unique Exhibits:**

Exhibit H	Intentionally Omitted
Exhibit I	Intentionally Omitted
Exhibit J	Charitable Contributions Certification
Exhibit K	Attestation Regarding Information Security Requirements
Exhibit L	Contribution and Agent Declaration Form

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

## 2.0 DEFINITIONS

### 2.1 Standard 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 must be construed to have the following meaning, unless otherwise apparent from the context in which they are used.

- 2.1.1 Board of Supervisors (Board):** The Board of Supervisors of the County acting as governing body.
- 2.1.2 Contract:** This agreement executed between County and Contractor. Included are all supplemental agreements amending or extending the service to be performed. The Contract sets forth the terms and conditions for the issuance and performance of all tasks, deliverables, services, and other work.
- 2.1.3 Contractor:** The person or persons, sole proprietor, partnership, joint venture, corporation or other legal entity who has entered into an agreement with the County to perform or execute the work covered by this Contract.
- 2.1.4 Contractor's Project Manager:** The person designated by the Contractor to administer the Contract operations under this Contract.
- 2.1.5 County's Program Manager:** Person designated by County's Program Director to manage the operations under this Contract.
- 2.1.6 County's Contract Monitor:** Person with responsibility to oversee the day-to-day activities of this Contract. Responsibility for inspections of any and all tasks, deliverables, goods, services and other work provided by the Contractor.
- 2.1.7 County's Program Director:** Person designated by County with authority for County on contractual or administrative matters relating to this Contract that cannot be resolved by the County's Program Manager.
- 2.1.8 County Observed Holidays:** Days on which County departments are closed for business in observance of significant events. A list of County observed holidays may be found on the County's website <https://lacounty.gov/government/about-la-county/about/>.
- 2.1.9 Day(s):** Calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified.
- 2.1.10 Department:** The County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health which is entering into this Contract on behalf of the County of Los Angeles.
- 2.1.11 Director:** Director of Department.

- 2.1.12 Fiscal Year:** The 12-month period beginning July 1st and ending the following June 30th.
- 2.1.13 Statement of Work:** A written description of the work to be performed by Contractor to meet the needs of the County, including special provisions pertaining to the method, frequency, manner, and place of performing the contract services.
- 2.1.14 Subcontract:** An agreement by the Contractor to employ a subcontractor to provide services to fulfill this Contract.
- 2.1.15 Subcontractor:** Any individual, person or persons, sole proprietor, firm, partnership, joint venture, corporation, or other legal entity furnishing supplies, services of any nature, equipment, and/or materials to Contractor in furtherance of Contractor's performance of this Contract, at any tier, under oral or written agreement.

### **3.0 WORK**

- 3.1** Pursuant to the provisions of this Contract, the Contractor must fully perform, complete and deliver on time, all tasks, deliverables, goods, services and other work as set forth in herein.
- 3.2** If the Contractor provides any tasks, deliverables, goods, services, or other work, other than as specified in this Contract, the same will be deemed to be a gratuitous effort on the part of the Contractor, and the Contractor must have no claim whatsoever against the County.

### **4.0 TERM OF CONTRACT**

- 4.1** The term of this Contract will be two years commencing on July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026 unless sooner terminated or extended, in whole or in part, as provided in this Contract.
- 4.2** The County will have the sole option to extend this Contract term for up to three one-year terms, for a maximum total Contract term of five years through June 30, 2029. Each such extension option may be exercised at the sole discretion of the Department.

The County maintains a database that track/monitor Contractor performance history. Information entered into the database may be used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether the County will exercise a contract term extension option.

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

## **5.0 CONTRACT SUM**

### **5.1 Total Contract Amount**

Total Contract Amount (TCA) for the term of the contract is SIX HUNDRED NINETY-SIX THOUSAND AND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$696,832). Allocation for each contract year and service rates are described in Exhibit B – Fiscal Provisions.

### **5.2 Written Approval for Reimbursement**

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

### **5.3 Notification of 75% of Total Contract Sum**

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

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

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

### **5.5 Invoices and Payments**

**5.5.1** The Contractor must invoice the County only for providing the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work specified in Exhibit A (Statement of Work and Attachments) and elsewhere hereunder. The Contractor must prepare invoices, which will include the charges owed to the Contractor by the County under the terms of this Contract.

**5.5.2** The Contractor's invoices must be priced in accordance with Exhibit B (Fiscal Provisions). Contractor will be paid only for the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work approved in writing by the

County. If the County does not approve work in writing no payment will be due to the Contractor for that work.

**5.5.3** The Contractor must submit the monthly invoices to the County by the 15th calendar day of the month following the month of service.

**5.5.4** Payments for services billed through invoices shall be paid within 60 calendar days after receipt of a complete and accurate invoice, subject to the limitations and conditions specified in Exhibit A (Statement of Work and Attachments) of this contract.

**5.5.5** At any time, If the County reasonably determines from a review of Contractor's service and billing records that the Contractor failed to deliver required services associated with this Contract and/or Exhibit A (Statement of Work and Attachments), County shall have the right to adjust and/or recover payment(s) associated with such service(s). The recovery from Contractor shall be made through cash payment made by Contractor to County and/or County offsets from future payment(s).

**5.5.6** This Contract is also subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, or conditions imposed by the State, and federal government which may in any way affect the provisions of payment or funding of this Contract.

**5.5.7** At any time, DMH has the discretion to deny payment, in full or in part, if the Contractor did not meet the outcomes/performance requirements outlined in the Exhibit A (Statement of Work and Attachments).

**5.5.8** All invoices under this Contract must be sent to: [APSEUIquiry@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:APSEUIquiry@dmh.lacounty.gov) via electronic mail.

**5.5.9 County Approval of Invoices**

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

**5.5.10 Intentionally Omitted**

**5.6 Intentionally Omitted**

**5.7 Default Method of Payment: Direct Deposit or Electronic Funds Transfer**

**5.7.1** 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 will be Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, unless an alternative method of payment is deemed appropriate by the Auditor-Controller (A-C).

**5.7.2** The Contractor must submit a direct deposit authorization request via the website <https://directdeposit.lacounty.gov> with banking and vendor



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.

**5.7.3** Any provision of law, grant, or funding agreement requiring a specific form or method of payment other than EFT or direct deposit will supersede this requirement with respect to those payments.

**5.7.4** At any time during the duration of the 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 the contracting department(s), will decide whether to approve exemption requests.

## **6.0 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT - COUNTY**

### **6.1 County's Administration**

A listing of all County Administration referenced in the following subparagraphs are designated in Exhibit D (County's Administration). The County will notify the Contractor in writing of any changes as they occur.

### **6.2 County's Program Director**

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

**6.2.1** Coordinating with Contractor and ensuring Contractor's performance of the Contract; however, in no event will Contractor's obligation to fully satisfy all of the requirements of this Contract be relieved, excused or limited thereby; and

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

### **6.3 County's Program Manager**

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

**6.3.1** Meeting with the Contractor's Project Manager on a regular basis; and

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

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

#### **6.4 County's Contract Monitor**

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

### **7.0 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT - CONTRACTOR**

#### **7.1 Contractor's Administration**

A listing of all of Contractor's Administration referenced in the following paragraphs is designated in Exhibit E (Contractor's Administration). The Contractor will notify the County in writing of any changes as they occur.

#### **7.2 Contractor's Project Manager**

**7.2.1** The Contractor's Project Manager is designated in Exhibit E (Contractor's Administration). The Contractor must notify the County in writing of any change to Exhibit E (Contractor's Administration), as changes occur.

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

#### **7.3 Approval of Contractor's Staff**

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

#### **7.4 Contractor's Staff Identification**

Contractor will provide, at Contractor's expense, all staff providing services under this Contract with a photo Identification (ID) Badge.

#### **7.5 Background and Security Investigations**

**7.5.1** Each of Contractor's staff performing services under this Contract, who is in a designated sensitive position, as determined by County in County's sole discretion, must undergo and pass a background investigation to the satisfaction of County as a condition of beginning and continuing to perform services under this Contract. Such background investigation must be obtained through fingerprints submitted to the California Department of Justice to include State, local, and federal-level review, which may include, but will not be limited to,

criminal conviction information. The fees associated with the background investigation will be at the expense of the Contractor, regardless of whether the member of Contractor's staff passes or fails the background investigation.

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

**7.5.2** 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.

**7.5.3** These terms will also apply to subcontractors of County contractors.

**7.5.4** Disqualification of any member of Contractor's staff pursuant to this Paragraph 7.5 will not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

## **7.6 Confidentiality**

**7.6.1** Contractor must 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 must 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, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph will be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County will 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 will be entitled to retain its own counsel, including,

without limitation, County Counsel, and to reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor will 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 must inform all of its officers, employees, agents and subcontractors providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Contract.

**7.6.4** Contractor must sign and adhere to the provisions of Exhibit F1 (Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement).

Contractor will cause each employee performing services covered by this Contract to sign and adhere to the provisions of Exhibit F2 (Contractor Employee Acknowledgment and Confidentiality Agreement).

Contractor will cause each non-employee performing services covered by this Contract to sign and adhere to the provisions of Exhibit F3 (Contractor Non-Employee Acknowledgment and Confidentiality Agreement).

## **8.0 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

### **8.1 Amendments**

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

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

**8.1.3** The Director or designee, may at their sole discretion, authorize extensions of time as defined in Paragraph 4.0 (Term of Contract). The Contractor agrees that such extensions of time will not change any other term or condition of this Contract during the period of such extensions. To implement an extension of time, an Amendment to the Contract must

be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by Director or designee.

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

**8.2.1** The Contractor must 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 must not assign, exchange, transfer, or delegate its rights or duties under this Contract, 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 will be null and void. For purposes of this paragraph, County consent will require a written Amendment to the Contract, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by the County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Contract will 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, will be a material breach of the Contract which may result in the termination of this Contract. In the event of such termination, County will be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

## **8.3 Authorization Warranty**

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

## **8.4 Budget Reductions**

In the event that the County's Board adopts, in any fiscal year, a County Budget which provides for reductions in the salaries and benefits paid to the majority of County employees and imposes similar reductions with respect to County contracts, the County reserves the right to reduce its payment obligation under this

Contract correspondingly for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Contract (including any extensions), and the services to be provided by the Contractor under this Contract will also be reduced correspondingly. The County's notice to the Contractor regarding said reduction in payment obligation will be provided within 30 days of the Board's approval of such actions. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, the Contractor must continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Contract.

## **8.5 Complaints**

The Contractor must develop and maintain operating procedures for receiving, investigating and responding to complaints.

### **8.5.1 Complaint Procedures**

- Within 15 business days after the Contract effective date, the Contractor must provide the County with the Contractor's procedures for receiving, investigating and responding to user complaints.
- The County will review the Contractor's procedures and provide the Contractor with approval of said procedures or with requested changes.
- If the County requests changes in the Contractor's procedures, the Contractor must make such changes and resubmit the procedures within 15 business days for County approval.
- If, at any time, the Contractor wishes to change the Contractor's procedures, the Contractor must submit proposed changes to the County for approval before implementation.
- The Contractor must preliminarily investigate all complaints and notify the County's Program Manager of the status of the investigation within five business days of receiving the complaint.
- When complaints cannot be resolved informally, a system of follow-through will be instituted which adheres to formal plans for specific actions and strict time deadlines.
- Copies of all written responses must be sent to the County's Program Manager within five business days of mailing to the complainant.

## **8.6 Compliance with Applicable Laws**

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

**8.6.2** Contractor must 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 Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph will be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County will 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 will be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and to reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor will not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction or other equitable relief, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

## **8.7 Compliance with Civil Rights Laws**

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

- 8.7.1** That Contractor has a written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment.
- 8.7.2** That Contractor periodically conducts a self-analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.
- 8.7.3** That Contractor has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.
- 8.7.4** Where problem areas are identified in employment practices, the Contractor has a system for taking reasonable corrective action, to include establishment of goals or timetables.

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

### **8.8.1 Jury Service Program**

This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service ("Jury Service Program") as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code.

#### **8.8.2 Written Employee Jury Service Policy**

- Unless the Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that the Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that the Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), the Contractor must have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees will 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.
- For purposes of this paragraph, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the County or a subcontract with a County contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) or more in any twelve (12) month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of the Contractor. "Full-time" means forty (40) hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of ninety (90) days or less within a twelve (12) month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If the Contractor uses any subcontractor to perform services for the County under the Contract, the subcontractor will also be subject to the provisions of this paragraph. The provisions of this paragraph will be inserted into any such subcontract agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program must be attached to the Contract.
- If the Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when the Contract commences, the Contractor will have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and the Contractor must immediately notify the County if the Contractor at any time either



comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if the Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program. In either event, the Contractor must immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The County may also require, at any time during the Contract and at its sole discretion, that the Contractor demonstrate, to the County's satisfaction that the Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that the Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.

- 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 Contract and/or bar the Contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

## **8.9 Conflict of Interest**

**8.9.1** No County employee whose position with the County enables such employee to influence the award of this Contract or any competing contract, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee, will be employed in any capacity by the Contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Contract. No officer or employee of the Contractor who may financially benefit from the performance of work hereunder will in any way participate in the County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence the County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.

**8.9.2** The Contractor must comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Contract. The Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest. If the Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts that might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it must immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to the County. Full written disclosure must 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 will be a material breach of this Contract.

## **8.10 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 Contract to perform the services set forth herein, the Contractor must give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified,

permanent County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified, former County employees who are on a re-employment list during the life of this Contract.

## **8.11 Consideration of Hiring GAIN/START Participants**

**8.11.1** Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract, the Contractor will 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 Skills and Training to Achieve Readiness for Tomorrow (START) Program who meet the contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration will mean that the Contractor will interview qualified candidates. The County will refer GAIN/START participants by job category to the Contractor. Contractors must report all job openings with job requirements to: [gainstart@dpss.lacounty.gov](mailto:gainstart@dpss.lacounty.gov) and [BSERVICES@OPPORTUNITY.LACOUNTY.GOV](mailto:BSERVICES@OPPORTUNITY.LACOUNTY.GOV) and DPSS will refer qualified GAIN/START job candidates.

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

## **8.12 Contractor Responsibility and Debarment**

### **8.12.1 Responsible Contractor**

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

### **8.12.2 Chapter 2.202 of the County Code**

The Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other contracts which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in the Contract, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five (5) years but may exceed five (5) years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing contracts the Contractor may have with the County.

### **8.12.3 Non-responsible Contractor**

The County may debar a contractor if the Board finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor has done any of the following: 1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the

County, 2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same, 3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or 4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

#### **8.12.4 Contractor Hearing Board**

- 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.
- The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the Contractor's representative will be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board will prepare a tentative proposed decision, which will 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 will be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board.
- 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 will be presented to the Board. The Board will have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.
- If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Contractor may after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: 1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; 2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; 3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or 4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.

- The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where 1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; 2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years; and 3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing will be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.
- The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision will contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board will present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board. The Board will have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

#### **8.12.5 Subcontractors of Contractor**

These terms will also apply to subcontractors of County contractors.

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

The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County contractors to voluntarily post the County's poster, Exhibit G (Safely Surrendered Baby Law) 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 at <https://lacounty.gov/residents/family-services/child-safety/safely-surrender/>.

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

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

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

#### **8.15 County's Quality Assurance Plan**

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

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

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

#### **8.17 Employment Eligibility Verification**

- 8.17.1** The Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal and State statutes and regulations regarding the employment of aliens and others and that all its employees performing work under this Contract meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in Federal and State statutes and regulations. The Contractor must 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 must retain all such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law.

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

## **8.18 Counterparts and Electronic Signatures and Representations**

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

## **8.19 Fair Labor Standards**

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

## **8.20 Force Majeure**

- 8.20.1** Neither party will be liable for such party's failure to perform its obligations under and in accordance with this Contract, if such failure arises out of fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, other natural occurrences, strikes, lockouts (other than a lockout by such party or any of such party's subcontractors), freight embargoes, or other similar events to those 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 paragraph as "force majeure events").

**8.20.2** Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default by a subcontractor of Contractor will not constitute a force majeure event, unless such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both Contractor and such subcontractor, and without any fault or negligence of either of them. In such case, Contractor will not be liable for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this subparagraph, the term "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractors at any tier.

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

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

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

## **8.22 Independent Contractor Status**

**8.22.1** This Contract is by and between the County and the Contractor and is not intended, and must 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 must not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.

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

**8.22.3** The Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract are, for purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, solely employees of the Contractor and not employees of the County. The Contractor will be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all Workers' Compensation benefits

to any person as a result of any injuries arising from or connected with any work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor pursuant to this Contract.

- 8.22.4** The Contractor must adhere to the provisions stated in Paragraph 7.6 (Confidentiality).

## **8.23 Indemnification**

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

## **8.24 General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage**

- 8.24.1** Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County, and in the performance of this Contract and until all of its obligations pursuant to this Contract have been met, Contractor must provide and maintain at its own expense insurance coverage satisfying the requirements specified in Paragraphs 8.24 and 8.25 of this Contract. These minimum insurance coverage terms, types and limits (the "Required Insurance") also are in addition to and separate from any other contractual obligation imposed upon Contractor pursuant to this Contract. The County in no way warrants that the Required Insurance is sufficient to protect the Contractor for liabilities which may arise from or relate to this Contract.

### **8.24.2 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, must be delivered to County at the address shown below and provided prior to commencing services under this Contract.
- Renewal Certificates must 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 must identify all Required Insurance coverage types and limits specified herein, reference this Contract by name or number, and be signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s). The Insured party named on the Certificate must match



the name of the contractor identified as the contracting party in this Contract. Certificates must provide the full name of each insurer providing coverage, its NAIC (National Association of Insurance Commissioners) identification number, its financial rating, the amounts of any policy deductibles or self-insured retentions exceeding fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), and list any County required endorsement forms.

- Neither the County's failure to obtain, nor the County's receipt of, or failure to object to a non-complying insurance certificate or endorsement, or any other insurance documentation or information provided by the Contractor, its insurance broker(s) and/or insurer(s), will be construed as a waiver of any of the Required Insurance provisions.
- Certificates and copies of any required endorsements must be sent via mail to:

County of Los Angeles  
Department of Mental Health  
510 S. Vermont Ave., 20<sup>th</sup> Floor.  
Los Angeles, CA 90020

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-or-

Electronically to the County Contract Administrator identified on  
Exhibit D – County Administration.

- Contractor also must 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 must promptly notify County of any third-party claim or suit filed against Contractor or any of its subcontractors which arises from or relates to this Contract and could result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County.

### **8.24.3 Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage**

The County, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, employees and volunteers (collectively County and its Agents) must 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 will 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 must apply to the County and its Agents as an additional insured, even if they exceed the County's minimum Required Insurance specifications herein. Use of an automatic additional insured endorsement form is acceptable providing it satisfies the Required Insurance provisions herein.

#### **8.24.4 Cancellation of or Changes in Insurance**

Contractor must provide County with, or Contractor's insurance policies must contain a provision that County will 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 must 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 Contract, in the sole discretion of the County, upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Contract.

#### **8.24.5 Failure to Maintain Insurance**

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

#### **8.24.6 Insurer Financial Ratings**

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

#### **8.24.7 Contractor's Insurance Must Be Primary**

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

#### **8.24.8 Waivers of Subrogation**

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

subrogation endorsements which may be necessary to effect such waiver.

#### **8.24.9 Subcontractor Insurance Coverage Requirements**

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

#### **8.24.10 Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions (SIRs)**

Contractor's policies will 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 must be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

#### **8.24.11 Claims Made Coverage**

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

#### **8.24.12 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.

#### **8.24.13 Separation of Insureds**

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

#### **8.24.14 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 must be designated as an Additional Covered Party under any approved program.

#### **8.24.15 County Review and Approval of Insurance Requirements**

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

### **8.25 Insurance Coverage**

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

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

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

#### **8.25.3 Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability** insurance or qualified self- insurance satisfying statutory requirements, which includes Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than \$1 million per accident. If Contractor will provide leased employees, or, is an employee leasing or temporary staffing firm or a professional employer organization (PEO), coverage also must 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 must be provided to County at least ten (10) days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (30) days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. If applicable to Contractor's operations, coverage also must be arranged to satisfy the requirements of any federal workers or workmen's compensation law or any federal occupational disease law.

#### **8.25.4 Unique Insurance Coverage**

- **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 Contract, with limits of not less than \$1 million per claim and \$3 million aggregate. Further, Contractor understands and agrees it must maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following this Contract's expiration, termination or cancellation.

- **Cyber Liability Insurance**

The Contractor must secure and maintain cyber liability insurance coverage with limits of \$2 million per occurrence and in the aggregate during the term of the Contract, including coverage for: network security liability; privacy liability; privacy regulatory proceeding, defense, response, expenses and fines; technology professional liability (errors and omissions); privacy breach expense reimbursement (liability arising from the loss or disclosure of County Information no matter how it occurs); system breach; denial or loss of service; introduction, implantation, or spread of malicious software code; unauthorized access to or use of computer systems; and Data/Information loss and business interruption; any other liability or risk that arises out of the Contract. The Contractor must add the County as an additional insured to its cyber liability insurance policy and provide to the County certificates of insurance evidencing the foregoing upon the County's request. The procuring of the insurance described herein, or delivery of the certificates of insurance described herein, will not be construed as a limitation upon the Contractor's liability or as full performance of its indemnification obligations hereunder. No exclusion/restriction for unencrypted portable devices/media may be on the policy.

## **8.26 Liquidated Damages**

- 8.26.1** If, in the judgment of the Director, or their designee, the Contractor is deemed to be non-compliant with the terms and obligations assumed hereby, the Director, or their designee, at their 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 their designee, in a written notice describing the reasons for said action.

- 8.26.2** If the Director, or their designee, determines that there are deficiencies in the performance of this Contract that the Director, or their designee, deems are correctable by the Contractor over a certain time span, the Director, or their 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, or their designee, may: (a) Deduct from the Contractor's payment, pro rata, those applicable portions of the Monthly Contract Sum; and/or (b) Deduct liquidated damages. The parties agree that it will be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix the extent of actual damages resulting from the failure of the Contractor to correct a deficiency within the specified time frame. The parties hereby agree that under the current circumstances a reasonable estimate of such damages will be determined by the Director or designee or as specified in Attachment 2 (Performance Requirements Summary (PRS)) Chart of Exhibit A (Statement of Work and Attachments) hereunder, and that the Contractor will be liable to the County for liquidated damages in said amount. Said amount will 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.
- 8.26.3** The action noted in Paragraph 8.26.2 must not be construed as a penalty, but as adjustment of payment to the Contractor to recover the County cost due to the failure of the Contractor to complete or comply with the provisions of this Contract.
- 8.26.4** This Paragraph must not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to damages for any breach of this Contract provided by law or as specified in the PRS or Paragraph 8.26.2, and must not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to terminate this Contract as agreed to herein.

## **8.27 Most Favored Public Entity**

If the Contractor's prices decline or should the Contractor at any time during the term of this Contract provide the same goods or services under similar quantity and delivery conditions to the State of California or any county, municipality, or

district of the State at prices below those set forth in this Contract, then such lower prices must be immediately extended to the County.

## **8.28 Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action**

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

**8.28.2** Contractor certifies to the County each of the following:

- That Contractor has a written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment.
- That Contractor periodically conducts a self-analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.
- That Contractor has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.
- Where problem areas are identified in employment practices, the Contractor has a system for taking reasonable corrective action, to include establishment of goals or timetables.

**8.28.3** The Contractor must 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 must include, but is not limited to: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

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

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

- 8.28.6** The Contractor will allow County representatives access to the Contractor's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this Paragraph 8.28 (Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action) when so requested by the County.
- 8.28.7** If the County finds that any provisions of this Paragraph 8.28 (Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action) have been violated, such violation will constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Contract. While the County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment and Housing Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that the Contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations will constitute a finding by the County that the Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract.
- 8.28.8** The parties agree that in the event the Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract, the County will, at its sole option, be entitled to the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for each such violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Contract.

## **8.29 Non Exclusivity**

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

## **8.30 Notice of Delays**

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

## **8.31 Notice of Disputes**

The Contractor must bring to the attention of the County's Program Manager and/or County's Program Director any dispute between the County and the Contractor regarding the performance of services as stated in this Contract. If the County's Program Manager or County's Program Director is not able to resolve the dispute, the Director or designee will resolve it.

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

The Contractor must notify its employees, and will 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 must be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice No. 1015.

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

The Contractor must notify and provide to its employees, and will 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 G (Safely Surrendered Baby Law) of this Contract. Additional information is available at <https://lacounty.gov/residents/family-services/child-safety/safe-surrender/>.

### **8.34 Notices**

All notices or demands required or permitted to be given or made under this Contract must be in writing and will be hand delivered with signed receipt or mailed by first class registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, or sent via electronic mail addressed to the parties as identified in Exhibits D (County's Administration) and E (Contractor's Administration). Names and addresses may be changed by either party giving ten (10) days prior written notice thereof to the other party. The Director or designee will have the authority to issue all notices or demands required or permitted by the County under this Contract.

### **8.35 Prohibition Against Inducement or Persuasion**

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

### **8.36 Public Records Act**

**8.36.1** Any documents submitted by the Contractor; all information obtained in connection with the County's right to audit and inspect the Contractor's documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to Paragraph 8.38 (Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement) of this Contract; as well as those documents which were required to be submitted in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) used in the solicitation process for this Contract, become the exclusive property of the County. All such documents become a matter of public record and will be regarded as public records. Exceptions will be those elements in the California Government Code Section 7921 et seq. (Public Records Act) and which are marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary". The County will not in any way be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such records including, without limitation, those so marked, if

disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

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

### **8.37 Publicity**

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

- The Contractor must develop all publicity material in a professional manner; and
- During the term of this Contract, the Contractor will not, and will 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 Program Director.

- 8.37.2** The Contractor may, without the prior written consent of County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this Contract with the County, provided that the requirements of this Paragraph 8.37 (Publicity) will apply.

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

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

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

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

**8.38.4** If, at any time during the term of this Contract or within five years after the expiration or termination of this Contract, representatives of the County conduct an audit of the Contractor regarding the work performed under this Contract, and if such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for any such work is less than payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference must be either: a) repaid by the Contractor to the County by cash payment upon demand or b) at the sole option of the County's Auditor-Controller, deducted from any amounts due to the Contractor from the County, whether under this Contract or otherwise. If such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for such work is more than the payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference will be paid to the Contractor by the County by cash payment, provided that in no event will the County's maximum obligation for this Contract exceed the funds appropriated by the County for the purpose of this Contract.

### **8.39 Recycled Bond Paper**

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

### **8.40 Subcontracting**

**8.40.1** The requirements of this Contract 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 Contract.

**8.40.2** If the Contractor desires to subcontract, the Contractor must 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.

**8.40.3** The Contractor must indemnify, defend, 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 the Contractor employees.

**8.40.4** The Contractor will remain fully responsible for all performances required of it under this Contract, including those that the Contractor has determined to subcontract, notwithstanding the County's approval of the Contractor's proposed subcontract.

**8.40.5** The County's consent to subcontract will not waive the County's right to prior and continuing approval of any and all personnel, including subcontractor employees, providing services under this Contract. The Contractor is responsible to notify its subcontractors of this County right.

**8.40.6** The County's Program Director 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 must forward a fully executed subcontract to the County for their files.

**8.40.7** The Contractor will 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.

**8.40.8** The Contractor must 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, Contractor must ensure delivery of all such documents via mail to:

County of Los Angeles  
Department of Mental Health  
510 S. Vermont Ave., 20<sup>th</sup> Floor.  
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Attention: Contracts Development and Administration Division

-or-

Electronically to the County Contract Administrator identified on Exhibit D – County Administration.

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

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

#### **8.42 Termination for Convenience**

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

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

- Stop work under this Contract on the date and to the extent specified in such notice, and
- Complete performance of such part of the work as would not have been terminated by such notice.

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

#### **8.43 Termination for Default**

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

- Contractor has materially breached this Contract; or

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

**8.43.2** In the event that the County terminates this Contract in whole or in part as provided in Paragraph 8.43.1, the County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the County may deem appropriate, goods and services similar to those so terminated. The Contractor will 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 will continue the performance of this Contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this paragraph.

**8.43.3** Except with respect to defaults of any subcontractor, the Contractor will not be liable for any such excess costs of the type identified in Paragraph 8.43.2 if its failure to perform this Contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not limited to: acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of the County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of Federal or State governments in their sovereign capacities, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but in every case, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. 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 will 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 paragraph, the term "subcontractor(s)" means subcontractor(s) at any tier.

**8.43.4** If, after the County has given notice of termination under the provisions of Paragraph 8.43 (Termination for Default) it is determined by the County that the Contractor was not in default under the provisions of Paragraph 8.43 (Termination for Default) or that the default was excusable under the provisions of subparagraph 8.43.3, the rights and obligations of the parties will be the same as if the notice of termination

had been issued pursuant to Paragraph 8.42 (Termination for Convenience).

- 8.43.5** The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Paragraph 8.43 (Termination for Default) will not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

#### **8.44 Termination for Improper Consideration**

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

- 8.44.2** The Contractor must immediately report any attempt by a County officer, employee, or agent to solicit such improper consideration. The report must be made to the Los Angeles County Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861 or <https://fraud.lacounty.gov/>.

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

#### **8.45 Termination for Insolvency**

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

**8.45.2** The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Paragraph 8.45 (Termination for Insolvency) will not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

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

The Contractor, and each County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm as defined in County Code Section 2.160.010 retained by the Contractor, must 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 will constitute a material breach of this Contract, upon which the County may in its sole discretion, immediately terminate or suspend this Contract.

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

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

**8.48 Validity**

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

**8.49 Waiver**

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

**8.50 Warranty Against Contingent Fees**

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

**8.53 Time Off for Voting**

The Contractor must notify its employees and must 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 ten (10) days before every statewide election, every contractor and subcontractors must keep posted conspicuously at the place of work, if practicable, or elsewhere where it can be seen as employees come or go to their place of work, a notice setting forth the provisions of [Section 14000](#).

**8.54 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 a Contractor or member of Contractor's staff is convicted of a human trafficking offense, the County will require that the Contractor or member of Contractor's staff be removed immediately from performing services under the Contract. 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 will not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

**8.55 Intentionally Omitted**

**8.56 Compliance with Fair Chance Employment Hiring Practices**

Contractor, and its subcontractors, must comply with fair chance employment hiring practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952. 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 Contract.

**8.57 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) (<https://ceop.lacounty.gov/>). 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.

**8.58 Prohibition from Participation in Future Solicitation(s)**

A Proposer, or a Contractor or its subsidiary or Subcontractor ("Proposer/Contractor"), is prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Proposer/Contractor has provided advice or consultation for the solicitation. A Proposer/Contractor is also prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Proposer/Contractor has developed or prepared any of the solicitation materials on behalf of the County. A violation of this provision will result in the disqualification of the Contractor/Proposer from participation in the County solicitation or the termination or cancellation of any resultant County contract.

**8.59 Injury and Illness Prevention Program**

Contractor will be required to comply with the State of California's Cal OSHA's regulations. California Code of Regulations Title 8 Section 3203 requires all California employers to have a written, effective Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP) that addresses hazards pertaining to the particular workplace covered by the program.

## **8.60 Intentionally Omitted**

### **8.61 Campaign Contribution Prohibition Following Final Decision in Contract Proceeding**

Pursuant to [Government Code Section 84308](#), Contractor and its Subcontractors, are prohibited from making a contribution of more than \$250 to a County officer for twelve (12) months after the date of the final decision in the proceeding involving this Contract. Failure to comply with the provisions of [Government Code Section 84308](#) and of this paragraph, may be a material breach of this Contract as determined in the sole discretion of the County.

## **9.0 UNIQUE TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

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

#### **Inadvertent Access:**

- 9.1.1** Contractor expressly acknowledges and agrees that the provision of services under this Contract does not require or permit access by Contractor or any of its officers, employees, or agents, to any patient medical records/patient information. Accordingly, Contractor will instruct its officers, employees, and agents that they are not to pursue, or gain access to, patient medical records/patient information for any reason whatsoever.
- 9.1.2** Notwithstanding the forgoing, the parties acknowledge that in the course of the provision of services hereunder, Contractor or its officers, employees, and agents, may have inadvertent access to patient medical records/patient information. Contractor understands and agrees that neither it nor its officers, employees, or agents, are to take advantage of such access for any purpose whatsoever.
- 9.1.3** Additionally, in the event of such inadvertent access, Contractor and its officers, employees, and agents, must maintain the confidentiality of any information obtained and must notify the Director that such access has been gained immediately, or upon the first reasonable opportunity to do so. In the event of any access, whether inadvertent or intentional, Contractor must indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to, actions, claims, costs, demands, expenses, and fees (including attorney and expert witness fees) arising from or connected with Contractor's or its officers', employees', or agents', access to patient medical records/patient information. Contractor agrees to provide appropriate training to its employees regarding their obligations as described hereinabove.

## **9.2 Ownership of Materials, Software and Copyright**

- 9.2.1** County will be the sole owner of all right, title and interest, including copyright, in and to all software, plans, diagrams, facilities, and tools (hereafter "materials") which are originated or created through the Contractor's work pursuant to this Contract. The Contractor, for valuable consideration herein provided, must execute all documents necessary to assign and transfer to, and vest in the County all of the Contractor's right, title and interest in and to such original materials, including any copyright, patent and trade secret rights which arise pursuant to the Contractor's work under this Contract.
- 9.2.2** During the term of this Contract and for five years thereafter, the Contractor must maintain and provide security for all of the Contractor's working papers prepared under this Contract. County will have the right to inspect, copy and use at any time during and subsequent to the term of this Contract, any and all such working papers and all information contained therein.
- 9.2.3** Any and all materials, software and tools which are developed or were originally acquired by the Contractor outside the scope of this Contract, which the Contractor desires to use hereunder, and which the Contractor considers to be proprietary or confidential, must be specifically identified by the Contractor to the County's Program Manager as proprietary or confidential, and must be plainly and prominently marked by the Contractor as "Proprietary" or "Confidential" on each appropriate page of any document containing such material.
- 9.2.4** The County will use reasonable means to ensure that the Contractor's proprietary and/or confidential items are safeguarded and held in confidence. The County agrees not to reproduce, distribute or disclose to non-County entities any such proprietary and/or confidential items without the prior written consent of the Contractor.
- 9.2.5** Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, the County will not be obligated to the Contractor in any way under subparagraph 9.2.4 for any of the Contractor's proprietary and/or confidential items which are not plainly and prominently marked with restrictive legends as required by subparagraph 9.2.3 or for any disclosure which the County is required to make under any state or federal law or order of court.

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

- 9.3.1** The Contractor must 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 the Contractor's work under this Contract. County will inform the Contractor as soon as practicable of any claim or action alleging such infringement or unauthorized disclosure, and will support the Contractor's defense and settlement thereof.

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

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

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

## **9.4 Data Destruction**

Contractor(s) that have maintained, processed, or stored the County data and/or information, implied or expressed, have the sole responsibility to certify that the data and information have been appropriately destroyed consistent with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication SP 800-88 titled Guidelines for Media Sanitization. Available at:

<http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/PubsDrafts.html#SP-800-88 Rev.%201>

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

Contractor(s) must certify that any County data stored on purchased, leased, or rented electronic storage equipment and electronic devices, including, but not limited to printers, hard drives, servers, and/or workstations are destroyed consistent with the current National Institute of Standard and Technology (NIST)

Special Publication SP-800-88, Guidelines for Media Sanitization. Contractor(s) must provide County with written certification, within ten (10) business days of removal of any electronic storage equipment and devices that validates that any and all County data was destroyed and is unusable, unreadable, and/or indecipherable.

## **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 Exhibit J (Charitable Contributions Certification), 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)

### **9.6 Intentionally Omitted**

### **9.7 Intentionally Omitted**

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### **9.12 Intentionally Omitted**

## **9.13 Contractor Protection of Electronic County Information**

**9.13.1** 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 can be accessed at the following link: Chapter 5 - Contracting and Purchasing | Board Policy | LA County - BOS, CA | Municode Library 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.

**9.13.2** Contractor must sign Exhibit K (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/for-providers/administrative-tools/administrative-forms/contract-attachments/> Information Security documents **annually, if there are any changes to the information requested on the security documents, and/or upon notification by DMH of updated Information Security documents.** Contractor must also ensure that prior to access, its workforce members, including subcontractors, that create, receive, maintain, or transmit Protected Health Information (PHI) acknowledge and sign the applicable Attachments to Exhibit K. Security and privacy requirements will apply to all County Personal Information, PHI and Medical Information electronically stored or transmitted by contractors and subcontractors, irrespective of storage and/or transmission methodology.

## 10.0 Survival

In addition to any terms and conditions of this Contract that expressly survive expiration or termination of this Contract by their terms, the following provisions will survive the expiration or termination of this Contract for any reason:

Paragraph 1.0	Applicable Documents
Paragraph 2.0	Definitions
Paragraph 3.0	Work
Paragraph 5.4	No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration-Termination of Contract
Paragraph 7.6	Confidentiality
Paragraph 8.1	Amendments
Paragraph 8.2	Assignment and Delegation/Mergers or Acquisitions
Paragraph 8.6	Compliance with Applicable Law
Paragraph 8.19	Fair Labor Standards
Paragraph 8.20	Force Majeure
Paragraph 8.21	Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue
Paragraph 8.23	Indemnification
Paragraph 8.24	General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage
Paragraph 8.25	Insurance Coverage

Paragraph 8.26	Liquidated Damages
Paragraph 8.34	Notices
Paragraph 8.38	Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement
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Paragraph 9.13	Contractor Protection of Electronic County Information
Paragraph 10.0	Survival



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Contractor has executed this Contract, or caused it to be duly executed and the County of Los Angeles, by order of its Board of Supervisors has caused this Contract to be executed on its behalf by the Chair of said Board and attested by the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors thereof, the day and year first above written.

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

By \_\_\_\_\_

Lisa H. Wong, Psy. D.  
Director of Mental Health

**PRACTICEWISE, L.L.C.**

By \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title Board Member  
(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL HERE)

By \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title Chief Executive Officer  
(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL HERE)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Rachel Kleinberg

Sr. Deputy County Counsel

**PRACTICEWISE, L.L.C.**  
**STATEMENT OF WORK (SOW)**  
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## STATEMENT OF WORK (SOW)

### 1.0 SCOPE OF WORK

PracticeWise LLC (Contractor) will provide Managing and Adapting Practice (MAP) Direct Service and Supervision series training programs that will include training workshops, consultation calls, portfolio reviews and access to MAP online information resources to Department of Mental Health (DMH) and contracted providers' clinicians. Clinicians will be certified through the training program and will be able to use MAP system to improve the quality, efficiency, and outcomes of children's mental health services.

This system will utilize an online database that suggests formal evidence-based programs or, alternatively, can provide detailed recommendations about discrete components of evidence-based treatments relevant to a specific youth's characteristics. The MAP system also adds a unifying evaluation framework to track outcomes and practices. The current state-of-the-art treatments in behavioral healthcare are evidence-based protocols targeted to defined client problems that are tested through randomized clinical trials.

### 2.0 SPECIFIC WORK REQUIREMENTS

#### 2.1 During the project period, PracticeWise will provide the following:

##### 2.1.1 MAP Direct Services Training includes:

- 2.1.1.1 MAP online Direct Services workshop for cohorts of up to 24 trainees per cohort based on the Contractor's Direct Services Curriculum.
- 2.1.1.2 Consultation calls for each training cohort. Each cohort will be divided into three groups of one-hour semi-monthly consultation calls for up to eight trainees per group for six months.
- 2.1.1.3 One MAP clinician portfolio review for each trainee.
- 2.1.1.4 One-year, individual subscription for each trainee to the online information resources under the terms of the Contractor's Service User Agreement.

##### 2.1.2 Additional off-site consultation calls based on the MAP curricula to trainees as needed and as determined by DMH and Contractor.

##### 2.1.3 Additional MAP clinician portfolio reviews for DMH directly-operated clinicians, as needed.

##### 2.1.4 MAP Supervision Series based on the Contractor's Agency Supervisor Training Curriculum will include:

- 2.1.4.1 Two-day online workshops for up to 12 supervisor trainees per cohort.
- 2.1.4.2 Six one-hour monthly consultation calls for each cohort.
- 2.1.4.3 MAP agency supervisor portfolio review including:

- a. One supervisor portfolio review; and
  - b. One portfolio review of each supervisor's trainee, with a maximum of six trainees per supervisor.
- 2.1.4.4** One-year user group subscriptions to the online information resources for each MAP supervision series cohort under the terms of the Contractor's Service Use Agreement for participating supervisors and their trainees.
- 2.1.4.5** Copies of additional materials used during the series, such as MAP Agency Supervisor Portfolios, Supervisor and Consultant Guides, learner handouts, worksheets, exercise stimuli and participation tokens, administrative forms, etc. will be provided to trainees of the MAP Supervision series.
- 2.1.5** Additional MAP Agency Supervisor or MAP Training Professional Portfolio reviews and one MAP Agency Supervisor Transfer review for DMH directly operated clinicians.
- 2.1.6** Contractor will provide access to the MAP online information resources, namely the PracticeWise Evidence-Based Services (PWEBS) application, Practitioner Guides, and Clinical Dashboards for each trainee. These information resources are used to deliver care using the MAP system and are integrated throughout the MAP Direct Services and MAP Supervision series events.
- 2.1.7** A one-year continuation of the existing group subscription to the MAP online information resources will be provided for a cohort of users from the Directly Operated Providers of DMH. The cohort group size will be up to 170 users.
- 2.2** Contractor will manage training registration and will send a notification a minimum of 30 calendar days prior to any training event of the total number of registered trainees. The notification must be sent to the County Contract Monitor indicated in Exhibit D (County Administration) via electronic mail (e-mail). At DMH's discretion, if a training event is not filled to capacity, Contractor will allow cancellation of the training event without a cost (fees or penalties) to DMH. In an event where the training is not filled to capacity, Contractor must receive a consent via email from the County Contract Monitor to host a training at not full capacity.

### **3.0 QUALITY CONTROL**

The Contractor will establish and utilize a comprehensive Quality Control Plan (Plan) to ensure the County receives a consistently high level of service throughout the term of the Contract. The Plan must be e-mailed to the County's Contract Monitor indicated in Exhibit D – County Administration for review. The QCP must include, but may not be limited to, the following:

- 3.1** Method of monitoring to ensure that Contract requirements are being met;

**3.2** A record of all inspections conducted by the Contractor, any corrective action taken, the time a problem was first identified, a clear description of the problem, and the time elapsed between identification and completed corrective action, must be provided to the County upon request.

**3.3 Data Collection**

Contractor will conduct evaluation surveys for each of the trainings and will prepare an evaluation report based on the surveys' collected and will e-mail a copy of the report to the County's Contract Monitor indicated in Exhibit D – County Administration as soon as the reports are available.

**4.0 QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN**

The County will evaluate the Contractor's performance under this Contract using the quality assurance procedures as defined in the Contract, Paragraph 8.15 (County's Quality Assurance Plan).

**4.1 Intentionally Omitted**

**4.2 Contract Discrepancy Report**

4.2.1 Verbal notification of a Contract discrepancy will be made to the Contractor's Program Monitor as soon as possible whenever a Contract discrepancy is identified. The problem must be resolved within a time period mutually agreed upon by the County and the Contractor.

4.2.2 The County's Contract Program Monitor will determine whether a formal Contract Discrepancy Report (CDR) will be issued. Upon receipt of this document, the Contractor is required to respond in writing to the County's Program Monitor within five business days, acknowledging the reported discrepancies or presenting contrary evidence.

4.2.3 A plan for correction of all deficiencies identified in the CDR must be submitted to the County's Program Monitor within 10 business days.

**4.3 County Observations**

In addition to departmental contracting staff, other County personnel may observe performance, activities, and review documents relevant to this Contract at any time during normal business hours. However, these personnel may not unreasonably interfere with the Contractor's performance.

**5.0 RESPONSIBILITIES**

The County's and the Contractor's responsibilities are as follows:

**COUNTY**

**5.1 Personnel**

The County will administer the Contract according to the Contract, Paragraph 6.0 (Administration of Contract – County). Specific duties will include:

- 5.1.1 Monitoring the Contractor's performance in the daily operation of this Contract.
- 5.1.2 Providing direction to the Contractor in areas relating to policy, information and procedural requirements.
- 5.1.3 Preparing Amendments in accordance with the Contract, Paragraph 8.1 (Amendments).

## **5.2 Intentionally Omitted**

## **CONTRACTOR**

### **5.3 Contractor's Training Director**

- 5.3.1 Contractor must provide a full-time Training Director or designated alternate. Contractor must provide a telephone number to the County where the Training Director can be reached during regular business hours: Monday through Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- 5.3.2 Contractor's Training Director must act as a central point of contact with the County.
- 5.3.3 Contractor's Training Director/alternate must have full authority to act for Contractor on all matters relating to the daily operation of the Contract. Contractor's Training Director/alternate must be able to effectively communicate, in English, both orally and in writing.

### **5.4 Personnel**

- 5.4.1 Contractor will assign a sufficient number of staff to perform the required work. At least one staff on site must be authorized to act for Contractor in every detail and must speak and understand English.
- 5.4.2 Contractor will be required to background check their staff as set forth in Paragraph 7.5 (Background and Security Investigations), of the Contract.

### **5.5 Intentionally Omitted**

### **5.6 Materials and Equipment**

- 5.6.1 The purchase of all materials/equipment to provide the needed services is the responsibility of the Contractor. Contractor must use materials and equipment that are safe for the environment and safe for use by the employee.

### **5.7 Training**

- 5.7.1 Contractor must provide training programs for all new employees and continuing in-service training for all staff.
- 5.7.2 All staff must be trained in their assigned tasks and in the safe handling of equipment. All equipment must be checked daily for safety. All staff must wear safety and protective gear according to OSHA standards.

**5.8 Intentionally Omitted**

**6.0 HOURS/DAY OF WORK**

The Contractor is not required to provide services on County-recognized holidays.

**7.0 INTENTIONALLY OMITTED**

**8.0 INTENTIONALLY OMITTED**

**9.0 ADDITION AND/OR DELETION OF SPECIFIC TASKS**

**9.1** All changes must be made in accordance with Subparagraph 8.1 (Amendments) of the Contract.

**10.0 INTENTIONALLY OMITTED**

**11.0 INTENTIOANLLY OMITTED**

**12.0 INTENTIONALLY OMITTED**

**13.0 GREEN INITIATIVES**

**13.1** Contractor must use reasonable efforts to initiate “green” practices for environmental and energy conservation benefits.

**13.2** Contractor must notify County’s Program Manager of Contractor’s new green initiatives prior to Contract commencement.

**14.0 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY**

The below Performance Requirements Summary (PRS) chart, SOW Attachment 2 (SOW Attachments) is a listing of requirements that will be monitored by the County during the term of the Contract are delineated in this SOW.

**14.1** All listings of services used in the PRS are intended to be completely consistent with the Contract and this SOW, and are not meant in any case to create, extend, revise, or expand any obligation of Contractor beyond that defined in the Contract and this SOW. In any case of apparent inconsistency between services as stated in the Contract and this SOW and this PRS, the meaning apparent in this SOW will prevail. If any service seems to be created in this PRS which is not clearly and forthrightly set forth in the Contract and this SOW, that apparent service will be invalid and place no requirement on Contractor unless and until incorporated into the Contract.



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<b>Date:</b>		<b>Contractor Response Received:</b>			
<b>Contractor:</b>	<b>Contract No.</b>	<b>County's Program Manager:</b>			
<b>Contact Person:</b>	<b>Telephone:</b>	<b>County's Program Manager Signature:</b>			
<b>Email:</b>		<b>Email:</b>			
<p>A contract discrepancy(s) is specified below. The Contractor will take corrective action and respond back to the <b>County personnel</b> identified above by the date required. Failure to take corrective action or respond to this Contract Discrepancy Report by the date specified may result in the deduction of damages.</p>					
No.	Contract Discrepancy	Contractor's Response*	County Use Only		
			Date Correction Due	Date Completed	Approved
1					
2					
3					

\*Use additional sheets if necessary

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Contractor's Representative Signature*\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date Signed***Additional  
Comments:**

**PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY (PRS) CHART**

<b>SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE REFERENCE</b>	<b>REQUIRED SERVICE</b>	<b>COUNTY MONITORING METHOD</b>	<b>Due Date</b>
<b>SOW: Section 2.0</b>	Training Workshops (Direct Services and Supervision Series)	Attendance sheets or sign-in sheets attached to the monthly invoice.	15 <sup>th</sup> of the month following each service month.
<b>SOW: Section 2.0</b>	Consultation Calls (Direct Services and Supervision)	Attendance sheets or sign-in sheets attached to the monthly invoice.	15 <sup>th</sup> of the month following each service month.
<b>SOW: Section 2.0</b>	Additional Consultation Calls	Attendance Sheets or Sign-in attached to the monthly invoice.	15 <sup>th</sup> of the month following each service month.
<b>SOW: Section 2.0</b>	Portfolio Reviews (Direct Services and Supervision)	A list of trainee's name and organizational information for each review conducted.	15 <sup>th</sup> of the month following each service month.
<b>SOW: Section 2.0</b>	Training Subscriptions (Direct Services and Supervision)	A list of each trainee's name and organizational information for each assigned subscription.	15 <sup>th</sup> of the month following each service month.
<b>SOW: Section 2.0</b>	Directly Operated Providers Subscription	A list of each trainee's name and organizational information for each assigned subscription.	15 <sup>th</sup> of the month following the service month.

**Exhibit B - FISCAL PROVISIONS  
PRACTICEWISE, LLC.**

**1. Funding Allocation**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Amount</b>	\$ 483,802.00	\$ 213,030.00	\$ 696,832.00

**2. Rate Table**

	<b>Fiscal Year 2024-25 &amp; 2025-26</b>
<b>Service Category</b>	<b>Rate</b>
Direct Services Training Workshop	\$44,256.00
Direct Services Consultation Series	\$23,136.00
Additional Consultation Hours	\$110.00
Agency Supervisor Training Workshop	\$45,036.00
Agency Supervisor Consultation Series	\$8,208.00
Additional Direct Services Portfolio Reviews	\$180.00
Additional Agency Supervisor Portfolio Reviews	\$300.00
Direct Services Training Subscription	\$6,072.00
Agency Supervisor Training Subscription	\$20,460.00
Directly Operated Providers Subscription	\$36,720.00

**3. Invoicing**

Contractor will submit invoices as set forth in Paragraph 5.5 (Invoices and Payments) of the Contract.

**COUNTY'S ADMINISTRATION****CONTRACT NO. MH280008****DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH:**

Name: Lisa H. Wong, Psy.D  
Title: Interim Director  
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E-Mail Address: [LVong@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:LVong@dmh.lacounty.gov)

**COUNTY PROGRAM DIRECTOR:**

Name: Robert Byrd, PsyD  
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Los Angeles, CA 90020  
Telephone: (424) 369-4018  
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**COUNTY PROGRAM MANAGER:**

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Title: Program Head-Prevention Division  
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Los Angeles, CA 90020  
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**COUNTY CONTRACT MONITOR:**

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Title: Clinical Psychologist II  
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Los Angeles, CA 90020  
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**COUNTY CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR:**

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Title: Administrative Services Manager I  
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Telephone: (213) 943-9507  
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**CONTRACTOR'S ADMINISTRATION****CONTRACTOR'S NAME:** PRACTICEWISE, LLC.**CONTRACT NO.** MH280008**CONTRACTOR'S PROJECT MANAGER:**

Name: Rebecca Jackson

Title: Business Manager, Training and Development

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Satellite Beach, FL 32937

Telephone: 321.426.4109

Facsimile: 321.422.2889

E-mail Address: [r.jackson@practicewise.com](mailto:r.jackson@practicewise.com)**CONTRACTOR'S AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL(S):**

Name: David Daleiden

Title: VP of Finance and Operations

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Satellite Beach, FL 32937

Telephone: 321.426.4109

Facsimile: 321.422.2889

E-mail Address: [d.daleiden@practicewise.com](mailto:d.daleiden@practicewise.com)

Name: Heather Brennan

Title: Chief Executive Officer

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Satellite Beach, FL 32937

Telephone: 321.426.4109

Facsimile: 321.422.2889

E-mail Address: [h.brennan@practicewise.com](mailto:h.brennan@practicewise.com)**NOTICES TO CONTRACTOR:**

Name: David Daleiden

Title: VP of Finance and Operations

Address: 340 Lee Ave

Satellite Beach, FL 32937

Telephone: 321.426.4109

Facsimile: 321.422.2889

E-mail Address: [admin@practicewise.com](mailto:admin@practicewise.com)

**CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT**Contractor Name: PracticeWise, L.L.C.Contract No MH280008**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

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

**CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

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

Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff are not employees of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that Contractor's Staff do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced contract. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

**CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:**

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

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

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

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

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

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

PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT**

(Note: for Contractor's record; must be made available within three (3) business days upon DMH request)

Contractor Name: PracticeWise, L.L.C.Contract No MH280008

Employee Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

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

**EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

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

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

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

**CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:**

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

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

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

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

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

PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_



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

(Note: for Contractor's record; must be made available within three (3) business days upon DMH request)

Contractor Name: PracticeWise, L.L.C. Contract No MH280008

Non-Employee Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

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

**NON-EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

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

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

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

**CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:**

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

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

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

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

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

PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

# THERE'S A BETTER CHOICE. SAFELY SURRENDER YOUR BABY.

Any fire station. Any hospital. Any time.



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Some parents of newborns can find themselves in difficult circumstances. Sadly, babies are sometimes harmed or abandoned by parents who feel that they're not ready or able to raise a child. Many of these mothers or fathers are afraid and don't know where to turn for help.

This is why California has a Safely Surrendered Baby Law, which gives parents the choice to legally leave their baby at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County.

### FIVE THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT BABY SAFE SURRENDER

- 1 Your newborn can be surrendered at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County up to 72 hours after birth.
- 2 You must leave your newborn with a fire station or hospital employee.
- 3 You don't have to provide your name.
- 4 You will only be asked to voluntarily provide a medical history.
- 5 You have 14 days to change your mind; a matching bracelet (parent) and anklet (baby) are provided to assist you if you change your mind.

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### ABOUT THE BABY SAFE SURRENDER PROGRAM

In 2002, a task force was created under the guidance of the Children's Planning Council to address newborn abandonment and to develop a strategic plan to prevent this tragedy.

Los Angeles County has worked hard to ensure that the Safely Surrendered Baby Law prevents babies from being abandoned. We're happy to report that this law is doing exactly what it was designed to do: save the lives of innocent babies. Visit [BabySafeLA.org](http://BabySafeLA.org) to learn more.

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## FROM SURRENDER TO ADOPTION: ONE BABY'S STORY

Los Angeles County firefighter Ted and his wife Becki were already parents to two boys. But when they got the call asking if they would be willing to care for a premature baby girl who'd been safely surrendered at a local hospital, they didn't hesitate.

Baby Jenna was tiny, but Ted and Becki felt lucky to be able to take her home. "We had always wanted to adopt," Ted says, "but taking

home a vulnerable safely surrendered baby was even better. She had no one, but now she had us. And, more importantly, we had her."

Baby Jenna has filled the longing Ted and Becki had for a daughter—and a sister for their boys. Because her birth parent safely surrendered her when she was born, Jenna is a thriving young girl growing up in a stable and loving family.

## ANSWERS TO YOUR QUESTIONS

### Who is legally allowed to surrender the baby?

Anyone with lawful custody can drop off a newborn within the first 72 hours of birth.

### Do you need to call ahead before surrendering a baby?

No. A newborn can be surrendered anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or guardian surrenders the child to an employee of the hospital or fire station.

### What information needs to be provided?

The surrendering adult will be asked to fill out a medical history form, which is useful in caring for the child. The form can be returned later and includes a stamped return envelope. No names are required.

### What happens to the baby?

After a complete medical exam, the baby will be released and placed in a safe and loving home, and the adoption process will begin.

### What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

Nothing. They may leave at any time after surrendering the baby.

### How can a parent get a baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days by calling the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at (800) 540-4000.

### If you're unsure of what to do:

You can call the hotline 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and anonymously speak with a counselor about your options or have your questions answered.

**1.877.222.9723 or BabySafeLA.org**

English, Spanish and 140 other languages spoken.

**CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION**

PracticeWise, L.L.C.

Company Name

340 Lee Ave. Satellite Bach, FL, 32937

Address

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

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

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

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

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

**OR**

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

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

## ATTESTATION REGARDING INFORMATION SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

Contractor must comply with Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Policy No. 5.200 "Contractor Protection of Electronic County Information" security and privacy requirements.

\_\_\_\_\_ PRACTICEWISE, L.L.C. \_\_\_\_\_ (hereafter "Contractor") acknowledges and certifies that safeguards are in place to protect electronically stored and/or transmitted personal information (PI); protected health information (PHI) and medical information (MI).

Contractor acknowledges it is the Contractor's responsibility to access the following link: <https://dmh.lacounty.gov/for-providers/administrative-tools/administrative-forms/contract-attachments/> **annually and upon notification by DMH of updated Information Security Attachments to complete, or update, the forms listed below that are applicable to their contract:**

- ☒ Attachment 1 – Information Security and Privacy Requirements for Contracts
- ☒ Attachment 2 – DMH Contractor's Compliance with Information Security Requirements
- ☒ Attachment 3 – Confidentiality Oath for Non-DMH Workforce Members
- ☐ Attachment 4 – Electronic Data Transmission Trading Partner Attachment (TPA)

Further, Contractor agrees to comply with the terms and conditions of the attachments listed above, which are by this reference made a part of the Contract. It is Contractor's responsibility to access the link above, complete the attachments as specified and only return the documents where submission is indicated, via email to the Contract Administrator listed in Exhibit D (County's Administration).

Name of authorized official (Official Name) \_\_\_\_\_  
Printed name

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



**CONTRIBUTION AND AGENT DECLARATION FORM**

This form must be completed separately by all bidders/proposers, including all prime contractors and subcontractors, and by all applicants for licenses, permits, and other entitlements for use issued by the County of Los Angeles ("County").

Pursuant to the Levine Act (Government Code section 84308), a member of the Board of Supervisors, other elected County officials (the Sheriff, Assessor, and the District Attorney), and other County employees and/or officers ("County Officers") are disqualified and not able to participate in a proceeding involving contracts, franchises, licenses, permits and other entitlements for use if the County Officer received more than \$250 in contributions in the past 12 months from the bidder, proposer or applicant, any paid agent of the bidder, proposer, or applicant, or any financially interested participant who actively supports or opposes a particular decision in the proceeding.

**State law requires you to disclose information about contributions made by you, your company, and lobbyists and agents paid to represent you. Failure to complete the form in its entirety may result in significant delays in the processing of your application and potential disqualification from the procurement or application process.**

**You must fully answer the applicable questions below. You ("Declarant"), or your company, if applicable, including all entities identified below (collectively, "Declarant Company") must also answer the questions below. The term "employee(s)" shall be defined as employees, officers, partners, owners, or directors of Declarant Company.**

**An affirmative response to any questions will not automatically cause the disqualification of your bid/proposal, or the denial of your application for a license, permit or other entitlement. However, failure to answer questions completely, in good faith, or providing materially false answers may subject a bidder/proposer to disqualification from the procurement.**

*This material is intended for use by bidders/proposers, including all prime contractors and subcontractors, and by all applicants for licenses, permits, and other entitlements for use issued by the County of Los Angeles and does not constitute legal advice. If you have questions about the Levine Act and how it applies to you, you should call your lawyer or contact the Fair Political Practices Commission for further guidance.*

**CONTRIBUTION AND AGENT DECLARATION FORM**

Complete each section below. State "none" if applicable.

A. COMPANY OR APPLICANT INFORMATION

1) Declarant Company or Applicant Name:

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a) If applicable, identify all subcontractors that have been or will be named in your bid or proposal: \_\_\_\_\_

b) If applicable, variations and acronyms of Declarant Company's name used within the past 12 months: \_\_\_\_\_

c) Identify all entities or individuals who have the authority to make decisions for you or Declarant Company about making contributions to a County Officer, regardless of whether you or Declarant Company have actually made a contribution:

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**[IF A COMPANY, ANSWER QUESTIONS 2 - 3]**

2) Identify only the Parent(s), Subsidiaries and Related Business Entities that Declarant Company has controlled or directed, or been controlled or directed by. "Controlled or directed" means shared ownership, 50% or greater ownership, or shared management and control between the entities.

a) Parent(s):

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b) Subsidiaries:

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c) Related Business Entities:

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3) If Declarant Company is a closed corporation (non-public, with under 35 shareholders), identify the majority shareholder.

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4) Identify all entities (proprietorships, firms, partnerships, joint ventures, syndicates, business trusts, companies, corporations, limited liability companies, associations, committees, and any other organization or group of persons acting in concert) whose contributions you or Declarant Company have the authority to direct or control.

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**CONTRIBUTION AND AGENT DECLARATION FORM**

- 5) Identify any individuals such as employees, agents, attorneys, law firms, lobbyists, and lobbying firms who are or who will act on behalf of you or Declarant Company and who will receive compensation to communicate with a County Officer regarding the award or approval of **this** contract or project, license, permit, or other entitlement for use.

*(Do **not** list individuals and/or firms who, as part of their profession, either (1) submit to the County drawings or submissions of an architectural, engineering, or similar nature, **or** (2) provide purely technical data or analysis, **and** who will not have any other type of communication with a County agency, employee, or officer.)*

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- 6) If you or Declarant Company are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, identify the compensated officers of your organization and the compensated members of your board.

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**B. CONTRIBUTIONS**

- 1) Have you or the Declarant Company solicited or directed your employee(s) or agent(s) to make contributions, whether through fundraising events, communications, or any other means, to a County Officer in the past 12 months? If so, provide details of each occurrence, including the date.

<b>Date</b> (contribution solicited, or directed)	<b>Recipient Name</b> (elected official)	<b>Amount</b>

\*Please attach an additional page, if necessary.

- 2) Disclose all contributions made by you or any of the entities and individuals identified in Section A to a County officer in the past 12 months.

<b>Date</b> (contribution made)	<b>Name</b> (of the contributor)	<b>Recipient Name</b> (elected official)	<b>Amount</b>

\*Please attach an additional page, if necessary.

**CONTRIBUTION AND AGENT DECLARATION FORM****C. DECLARATION**

By signing this Contribution and Agent Declaration form, you (Declarant), or you and the Declarant Company, if applicable, attest that you have read the entirety of the Contribution Declaration and the statements made herein are true and correct to the best of your knowledge and belief. (Only complete the one section that applies.)

There are \_\_\_\_\_ additional pages attached to this Contribution Declaration Form.

**COMPANY BIDDERS OR APPLICANTS**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Authorized Representative), on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ (Declarant Company), at which I am employed as \_\_\_\_\_ (Title), attest that after having made or caused to be made a reasonably diligent investigation regarding the Declarant Company, the foregoing responses, and the explanation on the attached page(s), if any, are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Further, I understand that failure to answer the questions in good faith or providing materially false answers may subject Declarant Company to consequences, including disqualification of its bid/proposal or delays in the processing of the requested contract, license, permit, or other entitlement.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING FUTURE AGENTS AND FUTURE CONTRIBUTIONS:**

By signing this Contribution and Agent Declaration form, you also agree that, if Declarant Company hires an agent, such as, but not limited to, an attorney or lobbyist during the course of these proceedings and will compensate them for communicating with the County about this contract, project, permit, license, or other entitlement for use, you agree to inform the County of the identity of the agent or lobbyist and the date of their hire. You also agree to disclose to the County any future contributions made to members of the County Board of Supervisors, another elected County officer (the Sheriff, Assessor, and the District Attorney), or any other County officer or employee by the Declarant Company, or, if applicable, any of the Declarant Company's proposed subcontractors, agents, lobbyists, and employees who have communicated or will communicate with the County about this contract, license, permit, or other entitlement after the date of signing this disclosure form, and within 12 months following the approval, renewal, or extension of the requested contract, license, permit, or entitlement for use.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**CONTRIBUTION AND AGENT DECLARATION FORM****INDIVIDUAL BIDDERS OR APPLICANTS**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, declare that the foregoing responses and the explanation on the attached sheet(s), if any, are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Further, I understand that failure to answer the questions in good faith or providing materially false answers may subject me to consequences, including disqualification of my bid/proposal or delays in the processing of the requested license, permit, or other entitlement.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING FUTURE AGENTS AND FUTURE CONTRIBUTIONS:**

If I hire an agent or lobbyist during the course of these proceedings and will compensate them for communicating with the County about this contract, project, permit, license, or other entitlement for use, I agree to inform the County of the identity of the agent or lobbyist and the date of their hire. I also agree to disclose to the County any future contributions made to members of the County Board of Supervisors, another elected County official (the Sheriff, Assessor, and the District Attorney), or any other County officer or employee by me, or an agent such as, but not limited to, a lobbyist or attorney representing me, that are made after the date of signing this disclosure form, and within 12 months following the approval, renewal, or extension of the requested contract, license, permit, or entitlement for use.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



**CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
AND  
INTERPERSONAL PSYCHOTHERAPY INSTITUTE  
INTERPERSONAL PSYCHOTHERAPY TRAINING PROGRAM**

MH280007

**Contract Number**

900 Highland Park Ave.

NA

**Legal Entity Number**

Coralville, IA 52241

**Contractor Headquarters Address**

167898

**Vendor Number**

**Contractor Headquarters' Supervisorial District** Out of State

**Contractor Headquarters' Service Area** Out of State

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**CONTRACT BETWEEN  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
AND  
INTERPERSONAL PSYCHOTHERAPY INSTITUTE LLC.  
FOR  
INTERPERSONAL PSYCHOTHERAPY TRAINING SERVICES**

This Contract ("Contract") made and entered into on July 1, 2024 by and between the County of Los Angeles, hereinafter referred to as "County" and Interpersonal Psychotherapy Institute, L.L.C., hereinafter referred to as "Contractor". Interpersonal Psychotherapy Institute, L.L.C., is located at 900 Highland Park Ave. Coralville, IA, 52241.

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the Contractor is a private firm specializing in providing Interpersonal Psychotherapy Training Services; and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2024, the Board of Supervisors delegated authority to the Director of Mental Health, or designee to execute the contract.

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

Entire Contract: The body of this Contract, all exhibits, Statement of Work (SOW) and Fiscal Provisions attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, for this Contract, as approved in writing by the Director, including any addenda thereto as approved in writing by the Director, which are incorporated herein by reference but not attached, will constitute the complete and exclusive statement of understanding between the parties which supersedes all previous Contracts, written or oral, and all other communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Contract. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the definition or interpretation of any word, responsibility, schedule, or the contents or description of any task, deliverable, goods, service, or other work, or otherwise between the base Contract and the Exhibits, or between Exhibits, such conflict or inconsistency will be resolved by giving precedence first to the terms and conditions of the Contract and then to the Exhibits according to the following priority.

### **Standard Exhibits:**

Exhibit A	Statement of Work and Attachments
Exhibit B	Fiscal Provisions
Exhibit C	Intentionally Omitted
Exhibit D	County's Administration
Exhibit E	Contractor's Administration
Exhibit F	Forms Required at the Time of Contract Execution (Confidentiality Agreements)
Exhibit G	Safely Surrendered Baby Law

### **Unique Exhibits:**

Exhibit H	Intentionally Omitted
Exhibit I	Intentionally Omitted
Exhibit J	Charitable Contributions Certification
Exhibit K	Attestation Regarding Information Security Requirements
Exhibit L	Contribution and Agent Declaration Form

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

## 2.0 DEFINITIONS

### 2.1 Standard 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 must be construed to have the following meaning, unless otherwise apparent from the context in which they are used.

- 2.1.1 Board of Supervisors (Board):** The Board of Supervisors of the County acting as governing body.
- 2.1.2 Contract:** This agreement executed between County and Contractor. Included are all supplemental agreements amending or extending the service to be performed. The Contract sets forth the terms and conditions for the issuance and performance of all tasks, deliverables, services, and other work.
- 2.1.3 Contractor:** The person or persons, sole proprietor, partnership, joint venture, corporation or other legal entity who has entered into an agreement with the County to perform or execute the work covered by this Contract.
- 2.1.4 Contractor's Project Manager:** The person designated by the Contractor to administer the Contract operations under this Contract.
- 2.1.5 County's Program Lead:** Person designated by County's Program Manager to manage the operations under this Contract.
- 2.1.6 County's Contract Monitor:** Person with responsibility to oversee the day-to-day activities of this Contract. Responsibility for inspections of any and all tasks, deliverables, goods, services and other work provided by the Contractor.
- 2.1.7 County's Program Manager:** Person designated by County with authority for County on contractual or administrative matters relating to this Contract that cannot be resolved by the County's Program Lead.
- 2.1.8 County Observed Holidays:** Days on which County departments are closed for business in observance of significant events. A list of County observed holidays may be found on the County's website <https://lacounty.gov/government/about-la-county/about/>.
- 2.1.9 Day(s):** Calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified.
- 2.1.10 Department:** The County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health which is entering into this Contract on behalf of the County of Los Angeles.
- 2.1.11 Director:** Director of Department.

- 2.1.12 Fiscal Year:** The 12-month period beginning July 1st and ending the following June 30th.
- 2.1.13 Statement of Work:** A written description of the work to be performed by Contractor to meet the needs of the County, including special provisions pertaining to the method, frequency, manner, and place of performing the contract services.
- 2.1.14 Subcontract:** An agreement by the Contractor to employ a subcontractor to provide services to fulfill this Contract.
- 2.1.15 Subcontractor:** Any individual, person or persons, sole proprietor, firm, partnership, joint venture, corporation, or other legal entity furnishing supplies, services of any nature, equipment, and/or materials to Contractor in furtherance of Contractor's performance of this Contract, at any tier, under oral or written agreement.

### **3.0 WORK**

- 3.1** Pursuant to the provisions of this Contract, the Contractor must fully perform, complete and deliver on time, all tasks, deliverables, goods, services and other work as set forth in herein.
- 3.2** If the Contractor provides any tasks, deliverables, goods, services, or other work, other than as specified in this Contract, the same will be deemed to be a gratuitous effort on the part of the Contractor, and the Contractor must have no claim whatsoever against the County.

### **4.0 TERM OF CONTRACT**

- 4.1** The term of this Contract will be two years commencing on July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026, unless sooner terminated or extended, in whole or in part, as provided in this Contract.
- 4.2** The County will have the sole option to extend this Contract term for up to three additional one-year extensions, for a maximum total Contract term of five years through June 30, 2029. Each such extension option may be exercised at the sole discretion of the Department.

The County maintains a database that track/monitor Contractor performance history. Information entered into the database may be used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether the County will exercise a contract term extension option.

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

## **5.0 CONTRACT SUM**

### **5.1 Total Contract Amount**

Total Contract Amount (TCA) for the term of the contract is FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY-FOUR THOUSAND AND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$484,800). Allocation for each contract year services rates are described in Exhibit B – Fiscal Provisions.

### **5.2 Written Approval for Reimbursement**

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

### **5.3 Notification of 75% of Total Contract Sum**

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

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

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

### **5.5 Invoices and Payments**

**5.5.1** The Contractor must invoice the County only for providing the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work specified in Exhibit A (Statement of Work and Attachments) and elsewhere hereunder. The Contractor must prepare invoices, which will include the charges owed to the Contractor by the County under the terms of this Contract.

**5.5.2** The Contractor's invoices must be priced in accordance with Exhibit B (Fiscal Provisions). Contractor will be paid only for the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work approved in writing by the

County. If the County does not approve work in writing no payment will be due to the Contractor for that work.

**5.5.3** The Contractor must submit the monthly invoices to the County by the 15th calendar day of the month following the month of service.

**5.5.4** Payments for services billed through invoices shall be paid within 60 calendar days after receipt of a complete and accurate invoice, subject to the limitations and conditions specified in this Contract, including Exhibit A (Statement of Work and Attachments).

**5.5.5** At any time, If the County reasonably determines from a review of Contractor's service and billing records that the Contractor failed to deliver required services associated with this Contract and/or Statement of Work, County shall have the right to adjust and/or recover payment(s) associated with such service(s). The recovery from Contractor shall be made through cash payment made by Contractor to County and/or County offsets from future payment(s).

**5.5.6** This Contract is also subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, or conditions imposed by the State, and federal government which may in any way affect the provisions of payment or funding for this Contract.

**5.5.7** At any time, DMH has the discretion to deny payment, in full or in part, if the Contractor did not meet the outcomes/performance requirements outlined in the Statement of Work (Exhibit A).

**5.5.8** All invoices under this Contract must be sent to: [APSEUIquiry@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:APSEUIquiry@dmh.lacounty.gov) via electronic mail.

**5.5.9 County Approval of Invoices**

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

**5.5.10 Intentionally Omitted**

**5.6 Intentionally Omitted**

**5.7 Default Method of Payment: Direct Deposit or Electronic Funds Transfer**

**5.7.1** 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 will be Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, unless an alternative method of payment is deemed appropriate by the Auditor-Controller (A-C).

**5.7.2** The Contractor must submit a direct deposit authorization request via the website <https://directdeposit.lacounty.gov> with banking and vendor

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.

**5.7.3** Any provision of law, grant, or funding agreement requiring a specific form or method of payment other than EFT or direct deposit will supersede this requirement with respect to those payments.

**5.7.4** At any time during the duration of the 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 the contracting department(s), will decide whether to approve exemption requests.

## **6.0 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT - COUNTY**

### **6.1 County's Administration**

A listing of all County Administration referenced in the following subparagraphs are designated in Exhibit D (County's Administration). The County will notify the Contractor in writing of any changes as they occur.

### **6.2 County's Program Manager**

The role of the County's Program Manager may include:

**6.2.1** Coordinating with Contractor and ensuring Contractor's performance of the Contract; however, in no event will Contractor's obligation to fully satisfy all of the requirements of this Contract be relieved, excused or limited thereby; and

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

### **6.3 County's Program Lead**

The role of the County's Program Lead is authorized to include:

**6.3.1** Meeting with the Contractor's Project Manager on a regular basis; and

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



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

#### **6.4 County's Contract Monitor**

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

### **7.0 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT - CONTRACTOR**

#### **7.1 Contractor's Administration**

A listing of all of Contractor's Administration referenced in the following paragraphs is designated in Exhibit E (Contractor's Administration). The Contractor will notify the County in writing of any changes as they occur.

#### **7.2 Contractor's Project Manager**

**7.2.1** The Contractor's Project Manager is designated in Exhibit E (Contractor's Administration). The Contractor must notify the County in writing of any change to Exhibit E (Contractor's Administration), as changes occur.

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

#### **7.3 Approval of Contractor's Staff**

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

#### **7.4 Contractor's Staff Identification**

Contractor will provide, at Contractor's expense, all staff providing services under this Contract with a photo Identification (ID) Badge.

#### **7.5 Background and Security Investigations**

**7.5.1** Each of Contractor's staff performing services under this Contract, who is in a designated sensitive position, as determined by County in County's sole discretion, must undergo and pass a background investigation to the satisfaction of County as a condition of beginning and continuing to perform services under this Contract. Such background investigation must be obtained through fingerprints submitted to the California Department of Justice to include State, local, and federal-level review, which may include, but will not be limited to,

criminal conviction information. The fees associated with the background investigation will be at the expense of the Contractor, regardless of whether the member of Contractor's staff passes or fails the background investigation.

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

**7.5.2** 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.

**7.5.3** These terms will also apply to subcontractors of County contractors.

**7.5.4** Disqualification of any member of Contractor's staff pursuant to this Paragraph 7.5 will not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

## **7.6 Confidentiality**

**7.6.1** Contractor must 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 must 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, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph will be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County will 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 will be entitled to retain its own counsel, including,

without limitation, County Counsel, and to reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor will 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 must inform all of its officers, employees, agents and subcontractors providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Contract.

**7.6.4** Contractor must sign and adhere to the provisions of Exhibit F1 (Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement).

Contractor will cause each employee performing services covered by this Contract to sign and adhere to the provisions of Exhibit F2 (Contractor Employee Acknowledgment and Confidentiality Agreement).

Contractor will cause each non-employee performing services covered by this Contract to sign and adhere to the provisions of Exhibit F3 (Contractor Non-Employee Acknowledgment and Confidentiality Agreement).

## **8.0 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

### **8.1 Amendments**

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

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

**8.1.3** The Director or designee, may at their sole discretion, authorize extensions of time as defined in Paragraph 4.0 (Term of Contract). The Contractor agrees that such extensions of time will not change any other term or condition of this Contract during the period of such extensions. To implement an extension of time, an Amendment to the Contract must be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by Director or designee.

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

- 8.2.1** The Contractor must 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 must not assign, exchange, transfer, or delegate its rights or duties under this Contract, 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 will be null and void. For purposes of this paragraph, County consent will require a written Amendment to the Contract, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by the County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Contract will 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, will be a material breach of the Contract which may result in the termination of this Contract. In the event of such termination, County will be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

## **8.3 Authorization Warranty**

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

## **8.4 Budget Reductions**

In the event that the County's Board adopts, in any fiscal year, a County Budget which provides for reductions in the salaries and benefits paid to the majority of County employees and imposes similar reductions with respect to County contracts, the County reserves the right to reduce its payment obligation under this Contract correspondingly for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Contract (including any extensions), and the services to be

provided by the Contractor under this Contract will also be reduced correspondingly. The County's notice to the Contractor regarding said reduction in payment obligation will be provided within 30 days of the Board's approval of such actions. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, the Contractor must continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Contract.

## **8.5 Complaints**

The Contractor must develop and maintain operating procedures for receiving, investigating and responding to complaints.

### **8.5.1 Complaint Procedures**

- Within 15 business days after the Contract effective date, the Contractor must provide the County with the Contractor's procedures for receiving, investigating and responding to user complaints.
- The County will review the Contractor's procedures and provide the Contractor with approval of said procedures or with requested changes.
- If the County requests changes in the Contractor's procedures, the Contractor must make such changes and resubmit the procedures within 15 business days for County approval.
- If, at any time, the Contractor wishes to change the Contractor's procedures, the Contractor must submit proposed changes to the County for approval before implementation.
- The Contractor must preliminarily investigate all complaints and notify the County's Program Lead of the status of the investigation within five business days of receiving the complaint.
- When complaints cannot be resolved informally, a system of follow-through will be instituted which adheres to formal plans for specific actions and strict time deadlines.
- Copies of all written responses must be sent to the County's Program Lead within five business days of mailing to the complainant.

## **8.6 Compliance with Applicable Laws**

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

**8.6.2** Contractor must 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 Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph will be conducted by Contractor and performed by counsel selected by Contractor and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County will 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 will be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and to reimbursement from Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Contractor will not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction or other equitable relief, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

## **8.7 Compliance with Civil Rights Laws**

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

- 8.7.1** That Contractor has a written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment.
- 8.7.2** That Contractor periodically conducts a self-analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.
- 8.7.3** That Contractor has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.
- 8.7.4** Where problem areas are identified in employment practices, the Contractor has a system for taking reasonable corrective action, to include establishment of goals or timetables.

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

### **8.8.1 Jury Service Program**

This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service ("Jury Service Program") as

codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code.

#### **8.8.2 Written Employee Jury Service Policy**

- Unless the Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that the Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that the Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), the Contractor must have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees will 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.
- For purposes of this paragraph, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the County or a subcontract with a County contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) or more in any twelve (12) month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of the Contractor. "Full-time" means forty (40) hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of ninety (90) days or less within a twelve (12) month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If the Contractor uses any subcontractor to perform services for the County under the Contract, the subcontractor will also be subject to the provisions of this paragraph. The provisions of this paragraph will be inserted into any such subcontract agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program must be attached to the Contract.
- If the Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when the Contract commences, the Contractor will have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and the Contractor must immediately notify the County if the Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if the Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Jury

Service Program. In either event, the Contractor must immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The County may also require, at any time during the Contract and at its sole discretion, that the Contractor demonstrate, to the County's satisfaction that the Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that the Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.

- 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 Contract and/or bar the Contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

## **8.9 Conflict of Interest**

**8.9.1** No County employee whose position with the County enables such employee to influence the award of this Contract or any competing contract, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee, will be employed in any capacity by the Contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Contract. No officer or employee of the Contractor who may financially benefit from the performance of work hereunder will in any way participate in the County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence the County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.

**8.9.2** The Contractor must comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Contract. The Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest. If the Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts that might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it must immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to the County. Full written disclosure must 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 will be a material breach of this Contract.

## **8.10 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 Contract to perform the services set forth herein, the Contractor must give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified, permanent County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified, former County employees who are on a re-employment list during the life of this Contract.



## **8.11 Consideration of Hiring GAIN/START Participants**

**8.11.1** Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract, the Contractor will 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 Skills and Training to Achieve Readiness for Tomorrow (START) Program who meet the contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration will mean that the Contractor will interview qualified candidates. The County will refer GAIN/START participants by job category to the Contractor. Contractors must report all job openings with job requirements to: [gainstart@dpss.lacounty.gov](mailto:gainstart@dpss.lacounty.gov) and [BSERVICES@OPPORTUNITY.LACOUNTY.GOV](mailto:BSERVICES@OPPORTUNITY.LACOUNTY.GOV) and DPSS will refer qualified GAIN/START job candidates.

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

## **8.12 Contractor Responsibility and Debarment**

### **8.12.1 Responsible Contractor**

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

### **8.12.2 Chapter 2.202 of the County Code**

The Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other contracts which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in the Contract, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five (5) years but may exceed five (5) years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing contracts the Contractor may have with the County.

### **8.12.3 Non-responsible Contractor**

The County may debar a contractor if the Board finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor has done any of the following: 1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, 2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the

County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same, 3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or 4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

#### **8.12.4 Contractor Hearing Board**

- 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.
- The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the Contractor's representative will be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board will prepare a tentative proposed decision, which will 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 will be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board.
- 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 will be presented to the Board. The Board will have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.
- If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Contractor may after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: 1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; 2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; 3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or 4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.
- The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where 1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; 2) the debarment

has been in effect for at least five (5) years; and 3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing will be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

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

#### **8.12.5 Subcontractors of Contractor**

These terms will also apply to subcontractors of County contractors.

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

The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County contractors to voluntarily post the County's poster, Exhibit G (Safely Surrendered Baby Law) 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 at <https://lacounty.gov/residents/family-services/child-safety/safely-surrender/>.

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

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

**8.14.2** As required by the County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting the Contractor's duty under this Contract to comply with all applicable provisions of law, the Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and will during the term

of this Contract, maintain compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and will implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or Child Support Services Department Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

#### **8.15 County's Quality Assurance Plan**

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

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

**8.16.1** The Contractor will repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, any and all damage to County facilities, buildings, or grounds caused by the Contractor or employees or agents of the Contractor. Such repairs must be made immediately after the Contractor has become aware of such damage, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the occurrence.

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

#### **8.17 Employment Eligibility Verification**

**8.17.1** The Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal and State statutes and regulations regarding the employment of aliens and others and that all its employees performing work under this Contract meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in Federal and State statutes and regulations. The Contractor must 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 must retain all such

documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law.

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

## **8.18 Counterparts and Electronic Signatures and Representations**

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

## **8.19 Fair Labor Standards**

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

## **8.20 Force Majeure**

- 8.20.1** Neither party will be liable for such party's failure to perform its obligations under and in accordance with this Contract, if such failure arises out of fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, other natural occurrences, strikes, lockouts (other than a lockout by such party or any of such party's subcontractors), freight embargoes, or other similar events to those 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 paragraph as "force majeure events").

- 8.20.2** Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default by a subcontractor of Contractor will not constitute a force majeure event, unless such default

arises out of causes beyond the control of both Contractor and such subcontractor, and without any fault or negligence of either of them. In such case, Contractor will not be liable for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this subparagraph, the term “subcontractor” and “subcontractors” mean subcontractors at any tier.

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

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

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

## **8.22 Independent Contractor Status**

- 8.22.1** This Contract is by and between the County and the Contractor and is not intended, and must 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 must not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.
- 8.22.2** The Contractor will be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract all compensation and benefits. The County will have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State, or local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of the Contractor.
- 8.22.3** The Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract are, for purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, solely employees of the Contractor and not employees of the County. The Contractor will be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all Workers' Compensation benefits to any person as a result of any injuries arising from or connected with any work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor pursuant to this Contract.

**8.22.4** The Contractor must adhere to the provisions stated in Paragraph 7.6 (Confidentiality).

## **8.23 Indemnification**

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

## **8.24 General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage**

**8.24.1** Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County, and in the performance of this Contract and until all of its obligations pursuant to this Contract have been met, Contractor must provide and maintain at its own expense insurance coverage satisfying the requirements specified in Paragraphs 8.24 and 8.25 of this Contract. These minimum insurance coverage terms, types and limits (the "Required Insurance") also are in addition to and separate from any other contractual obligation imposed upon Contractor pursuant to this Contract. The County in no way warrants that the Required Insurance is sufficient to protect the Contractor for liabilities which may arise from or relate to this Contract.

### **8.24.2 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, must be delivered to County at the address shown below and provided prior to commencing services under this Contract.
- Renewal Certificates must 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 must identify all Required Insurance coverage types and limits specified herein, reference this Contract by name or number, and be signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s). The Insured party named on the Certificate must match the name of the contractor identified as the contracting party in this Contract. Certificates must provide the full name of each insurer providing coverage, its NAIC (National Association of Insurance Commissioners) identification number, its financial rating, the

amounts of any policy deductibles or self-insured retentions exceeding fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), and list any County required endorsement forms.

- Neither the County's failure to obtain, nor the County's receipt of, or failure to object to a non-complying insurance certificate or endorsement, or any other insurance documentation or information provided by the Contractor, its insurance broker(s) and/or insurer(s), will be construed as a waiver of any of the Required Insurance provisions.
- Certificates and copies of any required endorsements must be sent via mail to:

County of Los Angeles  
Department of Mental Health  
510 S. Vermont Ave., 20<sup>th</sup> Floor.  
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Attention: Contracts Development and Administration Division

-or-

Electronically to the County Contract Administrator identified on  
Exhibit D – County Administration.

- Contractor also must 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 must promptly notify County of any third-party claim or suit filed against Contractor or any of its subcontractors which arises from or relates to this Contract and could result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County.

#### **8.24.3 Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage**

The County, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, employees and volunteers (collectively County and its Agents) must 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 will 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 must apply to the County and its Agents as an additional insured, even if they exceed the County's minimum Required Insurance specifications herein. Use of an



automatic additional insured endorsement form is acceptable providing it satisfies the Required Insurance provisions herein.

**8.24.4 Cancellation of or Changes in Insurance**

Contractor must provide County with, or Contractor's insurance policies must contain a provision that County will 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 must 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 Contract, in the sole discretion of the County, upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Contract.

**8.24.5 Failure to Maintain Insurance**

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

**8.24.6 Insurer Financial Ratings**

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

**8.24.7 Contractor's Insurance Must Be Primary**

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

**8.24.8 Waivers of Subrogation**

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

#### **8.24.9 Subcontractor Insurance Coverage Requirements**

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

#### **8.24.10 Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions (SIRs)**

Contractor's policies will 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 must be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

#### **8.24.11 Claims Made Coverage**

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

#### **8.24.12 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.

#### **8.24.13 Separation of Insureds**

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

#### **8.24.14 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 must be designated as an Additional Covered Party under any approved program.

#### **8.24.15 County Review and Approval of Insurance Requirements**

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

### **8.25 Insurance Coverage**

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

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

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

#### **8.25.3 Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability** insurance or qualified self- insurance satisfying statutory requirements, which includes Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than \$1 million per accident. If Contractor will provide leased employees, or, is an employee leasing or temporary staffing firm or a professional employer organization (PEO), coverage also must 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 must be provided to County at least ten (10) days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (30) days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. If applicable to Contractor's operations, coverage also must be arranged to satisfy the requirements of any federal workers or workmen's compensation law or any federal occupational disease law.

#### **8.25.4 Unique Insurance Coverage**

- **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 Contract, with limits of not less than \$1 million per claim and \$3 million aggregate. Further, Contractor understands and agrees it must maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following this Contract's expiration, termination or cancellation.

## **8.26 Liquidated Damages**

**8.26.1** If, in the judgment of the Director, or their designee, the Contractor is deemed to be non-compliant with the terms and obligations assumed hereby, the Director, or their designee, at their 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 their designee, in a written notice describing the reasons for said action.

**8.26.2** If the Director, or their designee, determines that there are deficiencies in the performance of this Contract that the Director, or their designee, deems are correctable by the Contractor over a certain time span, the Director, or their 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, or their designee, may: (a) Deduct from the Contractor's payment, pro rata, those applicable portions of the Monthly Contract Sum; and/or (b) Deduct liquidated damages. The parties agree that it will be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix the extent of actual damages resulting from the failure of the Contractor to correct a deficiency within the specified time frame. The parties hereby agree that under the current circumstances a reasonable estimate of such damages will be determined by the Director or designee or as specified in Attachment 2 (Performance Requirements Summary (PRS)) Chart of Exhibit A (Statement of Work and Attachments) hereunder, and that the Contractor will be liable to the County for liquidated damages in said amount. Said amount will 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.

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

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

## **8.27 Most Favored Public Entity**

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

## **8.28 Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action**

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

**8.28.2** Contractor certifies to the County each of the following:

- That Contractor has a written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment.
- That Contractor periodically conducts a self-analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.
- That Contractor has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.
- Where problem areas are identified in employment practices, the Contractor has a system for taking reasonable corrective action, to include establishment of goals or timetables.

**8.28.3** The Contractor must 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 must include, but is not limited to: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

- 8.28.4** The Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its subcontractors, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation.
- 8.28.5** The Contractor certifies and agrees that it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies will comply with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations to the end that no person will, on the grounds of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract.
- 8.28.6** The Contractor will allow County representatives access to the Contractor's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this Paragraph 8.28 (Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action) when so requested by the County.
- 8.28.7** If the County finds that any provisions of this Paragraph 8.28 (Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action) have been violated, such violation will constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Contract. While the County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment and Housing Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that the Contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations will constitute a finding by the County that the Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract.
- 8.28.8** The parties agree that in the event the Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract, the County will, at its sole option, be entitled to the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for each such violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Contract.

### **8.29 Non Exclusivity**

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

### **8.30 Notice of Delays**

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

### **8.31 Notice of Disputes**

The Contractor must bring to the attention of the County's Program Lead and/or County's Program Manager any dispute between the County and the Contractor regarding the performance of services as stated in this Contract. If the County's Program Lead or County's Program Manager is not able to resolve the dispute, the Director or designee will resolve it.

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

The Contractor must notify its employees, and will 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 must be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice No. 1015.

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

The Contractor must notify and provide to its employees, and will 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 G (Safely Surrendered Baby Law) of this Contract. Additional information is available at <https://lacounty.gov/residents/family-services/child-safety/safely-surrender/>.

### **8.34 Notices**

All notices or demands required or permitted to be given or made under this Contract must be in writing and will be hand delivered with signed receipt or mailed by first class registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, or sent via electronic mail addressed to the parties as identified in Exhibits D (County's Administration) and E (Contractor's Administration). Name and addresses may be changed by either party giving ten (10) days prior written notice thereof to the other party. The Director or designee will have the authority to issue all notices or demands required or permitted by the County under this Contract.

### **8.35 Prohibition Against Inducement or Persuasion**

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

### **8.36 Public Records Act**

**8.36.1** Any documents submitted by the Contractor; all information obtained in connection with the County's right to audit and inspect the Contractor's documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to Paragraph 8.38 (Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement) of this Contract; as well as those documents which were required to be submitted in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) used in the solicitation process for this Contract, become the exclusive property of the County. All such documents become a matter of public record and will be regarded as public records. Exceptions will be those elements in the California Government Code Section 7921 et seq. (Public Records Act) and which are marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary". The County will not in any way be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such records including, without limitation, those so marked, if disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

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

### **8.37 Publicity**

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

- The Contractor must develop all publicity material in a professional manner; and
- During the term of this Contract, the Contractor will not, and will 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 Program Manager.

- 8.37.2** The Contractor may, without the prior written consent of County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this Contract with the County, provided that the requirements of this Paragraph 8.37 (Publicity) will apply.

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

- 8.38.1** The Contractor must maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Contract in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Contractor must also maintain accurate and complete employment and other records relating to its performance of this Contract. The Contractor agrees that the County, or its authorized representatives, will have access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe any pertinent transaction, activity, or record relating to this Contract. All such material, including, but not limited to, all financial records, bank statements, cancelled checks or other proof of payment, timecards, sign-in/sign-out sheets and other time and employment records, and proprietary data and information, will be kept and maintained by the Contractor and will be made available to the County during the term of this Contract 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 must be maintained by the Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County, provided that if any such material is located outside of Los Angeles County, then, at the County's option, the Contractor will pay the County for travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by the County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe such material at such other location.
- 8.38.2** In the event that an audit of the Contractor is conducted specifically regarding this Contract by any Federal or State auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by the Contractor or otherwise, then the Contractor must file a copy of such audit report with the County's Auditor Controller within thirty (30) days of the Contractor's receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided by applicable Federal or State law or under this Contract. Subject to applicable law, the County will make a reasonable effort to maintain the confidentiality of such audit report(s)
- 8.38.3** Failure on the part of the Contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this subparagraph will constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Contract.
- 8.38.4** If, at any time during the term of this Contract or within five years after the expiration or termination of this Contract, representatives of the County conduct an audit of the Contractor regarding the work performed

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

### **8.39 Recycled Bond Paper**

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

### **8.40 Subcontracting**

**8.40.1** The requirements of this Contract 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 Contract.

**8.40.2** If the Contractor desires to subcontract, the Contractor must 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.

**8.40.3** The Contractor must indemnify, defend, 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 the Contractor employees.

**8.40.4** The Contractor will remain fully responsible for all performances required of it under this Contract, including those that the Contractor has determined to subcontract, notwithstanding the County's approval of the Contractor's proposed subcontract.

**8.40.5** The County's consent to subcontract will not waive the County's right to prior and continuing approval of any and all personnel, including subcontractor employees, providing services under this Contract. The Contractor is responsible to notify its subcontractors of this County right.

- 8.40.6** The County's Program Manager 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 must forward a fully executed subcontract to the County for their files.
- 8.40.7** The Contractor will 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.
- 8.40.8** The Contractor must 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, Contractor must ensure delivery of all such documents via mail to:

County of Los Angeles  
Department of Mental Health  
510 S. Vermont Ave., 20<sup>th</sup> Floor.  
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Attention: Contracts Development and Administration Division

-or-

Electronically to the County Contract Administrator identified on  
Exhibit D – County Administration.

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

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

**8.42 Termination for Convenience**

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

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

- Stop work under this Contract on the date and to the extent specified in such notice, and
- Complete performance of such part of the work as would not have been terminated by such notice.

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

#### **8.43 Termination for Default**

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

- Contractor has materially breached this Contract; or
- Contractor fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required either under this Contract; or
- Contractor fails to demonstrate a high probability of timely fulfillment of performance requirements under this Contract, or of any obligations of this Contract and in either case, fails to demonstrate convincing progress toward a cure within five (5) working days (or such longer period as the County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from the County specifying such failure.

**8.43.2** In the event that the County terminates this Contract in whole or in part as provided in Paragraph 8.43.1, the County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the County may deem appropriate, goods and services similar to those so terminated. The Contractor will 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 will continue the performance of this Contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this paragraph.

**8.43.3** Except with respect to defaults of any subcontractor, the Contractor will not be liable for any such excess costs of the type identified in Paragraph 8.43.2 if its failure to perform this Contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not limited to: acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of the County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of Federal or State governments in their sovereign capacities, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes,

and unusually severe weather; but in every case, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. 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 will 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 paragraph, the term "subcontractor(s)" means subcontractor(s) at any tier.

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

**8.43.5** The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Paragraph 8.43 (Termination for Default) will not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

#### **8.44 Termination for Improper Consideration**

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

**8.44.2** The Contractor must immediately report any attempt by a County officer, employee, or agent to solicit such improper consideration. The report must be made to the Los Angeles County Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861 or <https://fraud.lacounty.gov/>.

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

## **8.45 Termination for Insolvency**

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

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

**8.45.2** The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Paragraph 8.45 (Termination for Insolvency) will not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

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

The Contractor, and each County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm as defined in County Code Section 2.160.010 retained by the Contractor, must 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 will constitute a material breach of this Contract, upon which the County may in its sole discretion, immediately terminate or suspend this Contract.

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

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

## **8.48 Validity**

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

#### **8.49 Waiver**

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

#### **8.50 Warranty Against Contingent Fees**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### **8.53 Time Off for Voting**

The Contractor must notify its employees and must 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 ten (10) days before every statewide election, every contractor and subcontractors must keep posted conspicuously at the place of work, if practicable, or elsewhere where it can be seen as employees come or go to their place of work, a notice setting forth the provisions of Section 14000.

### **8.54 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 a Contractor or member of Contractor's staff is convicted of a human trafficking offense, the County will require that the Contractor or member of Contractor's staff be removed immediately from performing services under the Contract. 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 will not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

### **8.55 Intentionally Omitted**

### **8.56 Compliance with Fair Chance Employment Hiring Practices**

Contractor, and its subcontractors, must comply with fair chance employment hiring practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952. 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 Contract.

### **8.57 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) (<https://ceop.lacounty.gov/>). 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.



### **8.58 Prohibition from Participation in Future Solicitation(s)**

A Proposer, or a Contractor or its subsidiary or Subcontractor ("Proposer/Contractor"), is prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Proposer/Contractor has provided advice or consultation for the solicitation. A Proposer/Contractor is also prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Proposer/Contractor has developed or prepared any of the solicitation materials on behalf of the County. A violation of this provision will result in the disqualification of the Contractor/Proposer from participation in the County solicitation or the termination or cancellation of any resultant County contract.

### **8.59 Injury and Illness Prevention Program**

Contractor will be required to comply with the State of California's Cal OSHA's regulations. California Code of Regulations Title 8 Section 3203 requires all California employers to have a written, effective Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP) that addresses hazards pertaining to the particular workplace covered by the program.

### **8.60 Intentionally Omitted**

### **8.61 Campaign Contribution Prohibition Following Final Decision in Contract Proceeding**

Pursuant to [Government Code Section 84308](#), Contractor and its Subcontractors, are prohibited from making a contribution of more than \$250 to a County officer for twelve (12) months after the date of the final decision in the proceeding involving this Contract. Failure to comply with the provisions of [Government Code Section 84308](#) and of this paragraph, may be a material breach of this Contract as determined in the sole discretion of the County.

## **9.0 UNIQUE TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

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

#### **Inadvertent Access:**

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

**9.1.2** Notwithstanding the forgoing, the parties acknowledge that in the course of the provision of services hereunder, Contractor or its officers, employees, and agents, may have inadvertent access to patient medical

records/patient information. Contractor understands and agrees that neither it nor its officers, employees, or agents, are to take advantage of such access for any purpose whatsoever.

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

## **9.2 Ownership of Materials, Software and Copyright**

- 9.2.1** County will be the sole owner of all right, title and interest, including copyright, in and to all software, plans, diagrams, facilities, and tools (hereafter "materials") which are originated or created through the Contractor's work pursuant to this Contract. The Contractor, for valuable consideration herein provided, must execute all documents necessary to assign and transfer to, and vest in the County all of the Contractor's right, title and interest in and to such original materials, including any copyright, patent and trade secret rights which arise pursuant to the Contractor's work under this Contract.
- 9.2.2** During the term of this Contract and for five years thereafter, the Contractor must maintain and provide security for all of the Contractor's working papers prepared under this Contract. County will have the right to inspect, copy and use at any time during and subsequent to the term of this Contract, any and all such working papers and all information contained therein.
- 9.2.3** Any and all materials, software and tools which are developed or were originally acquired by the Contractor outside the scope of this Contract, which the Contractor desires to use hereunder, and which the Contractor considers to be proprietary or confidential, must be specifically identified by the Contractor to the County's Program Lead as proprietary or confidential, and must be plainly and prominently marked by the Contractor as "Proprietary" or "Confidential" on each appropriate page of any document containing such material.
- 9.2.4** The County will use reasonable means to ensure that the Contractor's proprietary and/or confidential items are safeguarded and held in

confidence. The County agrees not to reproduce, distribute or disclose to non-County entities any such proprietary and/or confidential items without the prior written consent of the Contractor.

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

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

- 9.3.1** The Contractor must 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 the Contractor's work under this Contract. County will inform the Contractor as soon as practicable of any claim or action alleging such infringement or unauthorized disclosure, and will support the Contractor's defense and settlement thereof.

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

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

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

### **9.4 Data Destruction**

Contractor(s) that have maintained, processed, or stored the County data and/or information, implied or expressed, have the sole responsibility to certify that the

data and information have been appropriately destroyed consistent with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication SP 800-88 titled Guidelines for Media Sanitization. Available at:

<http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/PubsDrafts.html#SP-800-88 Rev.%201>

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

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

## **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 Exhibit J (Charitable Contributions Certification), 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)

9.6 Intentionally Omitted

9.7 Intentionally Omitted

9.8 Intentionally Omitted

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9.11 Intentionally Omitted

9.12 Intentionally Omitted

9.13 Contractor Protection of Electronic County Information

9.13.1 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 can be accessed at the following link: [https://library.municode.com/ca/la\\_county\\_-\\_bos/codes/board\\_policy?nodeId=CH5COPU\\_5.200COPRCOELSTIN](https://library.municode.com/ca/la_county_-_bos/codes/board_policy?nodeId=CH5COPU_5.200COPRCOELSTIN).

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.

9.13.2 Contractor must sign Exhibit K (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/for-providers/administrative-tools/administrative-forms/contract-attachments/> Information Security documents **annually, if there are any changes to the information requested on the security documents, and/or upon notification by DMH of updated Information Security documents.** Contractor must also ensure that prior to access, its workforce members, including subcontractors, that create, receive, maintain, or transmit Protected Health Information (PHI) acknowledge and sign the applicable Attachments to Exhibit K. Security and privacy requirements will apply to all County Personal Information, PHI and Medical Information electronically stored or transmitted by contractors and subcontractors, irrespective of storage and/or transmission methodology.

## 10.0 Survival

In addition to any terms and conditions of this Contract that expressly survive expiration or termination of this Contract by their terms, the following provisions will survive the expiration or termination of this Contract for any reason:

Paragraph 1.0	Applicable Documents
Paragraph 2.0	Definitions
Paragraph 3.0	Work
Paragraph 5.4	No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration-Termination of Contract
Paragraph 7.6	Confidentiality
Paragraph 8.1	Amendments
Paragraph 8.2	Assignment and Delegation/Mergers or Acquisitions
Paragraph 8.6	Compliance with Applicable Law
Paragraph 8.19	Fair Labor Standards
Paragraph 8.20	Force Majeure
Paragraph 8.21	Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue
Paragraph 8.23	Indemnification
Paragraph 8.24	General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage
Paragraph 8.25	Insurance Coverage
Paragraph 8.26	Liquidated Damages
Paragraph 8.34	Notices
Paragraph 8.38	Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement
Paragraph 8.42	Termination for Convenience
Paragraph 8.43	Termination for Default
Paragraph 8.48	Validity
Paragraph 8.49	Waiver
Paragraph 8.58	Prohibition from Participation in Future Solicitation
Paragraph 8.61	Campaign Contribution Prohibition Following Final Decision in Contract Proceeding
Paragraph 9.2	Ownership of Materials, Software and Copyright
Paragraph 9.3	Patent, Copyright and Trade Secret Indemnification

Paragraph 9.13 Contractor Protection of Electronic County Information  
Paragraph 10.0 Survival

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Contractor has executed this Contract, or caused it to be duly executed and the County of Los Angeles, by order of its Board of Supervisors has caused this Contract to be executed on its behalf by the Chair of said Board and attested by the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors thereof, the day and year first above written.

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

By \_\_\_\_\_

Lisa H. Wong, Psy. D.  
Director of Mental Health

**INTERPERSONAL PSYCHOTHERAPY INSTITUTE LLC.**

By \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Rachel Kleinberg

Sr. Deputy County Counsel



**INTERPERSONAL PSYCHOTHERAPY  
(IPT) TRAINING  
STATEMENT OF WORK (SOW)  
Exhibit A**

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## **STATEMENT OF WORK (SOW)**

### **1.0 SCOPE OF WORK**

The Interpersonal Psychotherapy (IPT) Institute (Contractor) will provide Initial IPT Clinical Training (Level-A Training), Technical Assistance Calls, Portfolio Reviews and IPT Booster Trainings to the Department of Mental Health (DMH) and contracted providers clinical staff (trainees) based on the requirements set forth in the Contract and this SOW.

### **2.0 SPECIFIC WORK REQUIREMENTS**

The Contractor will provide the following cohort based IPT trainings and services:

- 2.1 Initial IPT Level-A virtual training workshop, which will consist of 16 hours of training for each cohort, for up to 40 trainees per cohort.
  - 2.1.1 One hard copy of the IPT Clinical Handbook (training manual) will be provided to each trainee. Contractor will mail training manuals to the County Contract Monitor identified in Exhibit D – County Administration, two weeks prior to the start of each IPT Level-A training workshop.
- 2.2 IPT Institute Consultants will provide Technical Assistance Calls for each cohort, after the Initial IPT Level-A training. Contractor will group trainees into consultation call groups of roughly equal size, based on trainees' availability.
- 2.3 Portfolio reviews, after the Initial IPT Level-A Training which will consist of two one-hour reviews for each trainee.
- 2.4 IPT Booster virtual training workshop which will consist of six hours of training for each cohort, with up to 40 trainees per cohort.

### **3.0 QUALITY CONTROL**

The Contractor will establish and utilize a comprehensive Quality Control Plan (Plan) to ensure the County receives a consistently high level of service throughout the term of the Contract. The Plan must be submitted to the County's Project Monitor for review. The QCP must include, but may not be limited to, the following:

- 3.1 Method of monitoring to ensure that Contract requirements are being met;
- 3.2 A record of all inspections conducted by the Contractor, any corrective action taken, the time a problem was first identified, a clear description of the problem, and the time elapsed between identification and completed corrective action, must be provided to the County upon request.

#### **3.3 Data Collection**

The Contractor will establish and implement a Data Collection method to collect, manage, and submit data and reports listed below and as directed in Attachment 2-Performance Requirements Chart. All reports and documents will be sent to DMH County Program Lead and County Contract Monitor identified in Exhibit D (County Administration).

- 3.3.1 IPT Level-A training attendance reports.

- 3.3.2 Records of all training manuals sent to DMH.
- 3.3.3 Attendance reports for technical assistance calls.
- 3.3.4 Reports on Portfolio reviews.
- 3.3.5 Booster Training attendance reports.

## 4.0 QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

The County will evaluate the Contractor's performance under this Contract using the quality assurance procedures as defined in the Contract, Paragraph 8.15 (County's Quality Assurance Plan).

### 4.1 Meetings

Contractor will attend all DMH scheduled meetings (in person or teleconference or virtual platform) throughout the term of the Contract. Meetings will be used to discuss any training issues, corrective action plans, trainees' progress, and etc.

### 4.2 Contract Discrepancy Report

4.2.1 Verbal notification of a Contract discrepancy will be made to the Contractor's Program Monitor as soon as possible whenever a Contract discrepancy is identified. The problem must be resolved within a time period mutually agreed upon by the County and the Contractor.

4.2.2 The County's Contract Program Monitor will determine whether a formal Contract Discrepancy Report (CDR) will be issued. Upon receipt of this document, the Contractor is required to respond in writing to the County's Program Monitor within five business days, acknowledging the reported discrepancies or presenting contrary evidence.

4.2.3 A plan for correction of all deficiencies identified in the CDR must be submitted to the County's Program Monitor within 10 business days.

### 4.3 County Observations

In addition to departmental contracting staff, other County personnel may observe performance, activities, and review documents relevant to this Contract at any time during normal business hours. However, these personnel may not unreasonably interfere with the Contractor's performance.

## 5.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

The County's and the Contractor's responsibilities are as follows:

### COUNTY

#### 5.1 Personnel

##### County Program Manager

The County will administer the Contract according to the Contract, Paragraph 6.0 (Administration of Contract – County). Specific duties will include:

5.1.1 Monitoring the Contractor's performance in the daily operation of this Contract.

- 5.1.2 Providing direction to the Contractor in areas relating to policy, information, and procedural requirements.
- 5.1.3 Preparing Amendments in accordance with the Contract, Paragraph 8.1 (Amendments).

## 5.2 Intentionally Omitted

## **CONTRACTOR**

### 5.3 Contractor's Program Director

- 5.3.1 Contractor must provide a full-time Contractor's Program Director or designated alternate. County must have access to the Program Director or designated alternate during regular working hours, Monday through Friday from at least 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Pacific Time (PT). Contractor will provide a telephone number where the Project Manager may be reached during those hours. If the Project Manager is unavailable, the designated alternate must be available and accessible to DMH.
- 5.3.2 Contractor's Program Director must act as a central point of contact with the County.
- 5.3.3 Contractor's Program Director must have five years of experience with tracking deliverables as well as monitoring and reporting progress.
- 5.3.4 Contractor's Program Director or designated alternate must have full authority to act for Contractor on all matters relating to the daily operation of the Contract. Contractor's Program Director or designated alternate must be able to effectively communicate, in English, both orally and in writing.

### 5.4 Personnel

- 5.4.1 Contractor will assign a sufficient number of staff to perform the required work. At least one staff on site must be authorized to act for Contractor in every detail and must speak and understand English.
- 5.4.2 Contractor will be required to background check their staff as set forth in Paragraph 7.5 (Background and Security Investigations), of the Contract.

### 5.5 Materials and Equipment

- 5.5.1 The purchase of all materials/equipment to provide the needed services is the responsibility of the Contractor. Contractor must use materials and equipment that are safe for the environment and safe for use by the employee.
- 5.5.2 Contractor will furnish all training materials. Training materials include training handouts and required IPT training manual "Interpersonal Psychotherapy Clinical Handbook." As directed in Section 2.0 of this SOW, hard copy training manuals will be mailed to DMH Headquarters. The shipping fee for training manuals is included in material fee indicated in Exhibit B – Fiscal Provisions of the Contract.

## **5.6 Training**

- 5.6.1 Contractor will provide training for all their staff prior to beginning services and will continue to provide ongoing trainings throughout the term of the Contract.

## **5.7 Contractor's Administrative Office**

Contractor will maintain an administrative office with a telephone in the company's name where Contractor conducts business. The office will be staffed Monday through Friday, during the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., CST, by at least one employee who can respond to inquiries which may be received about the Contractor's performance of the Contract. When the office is closed, an answering service will be provided to receive calls and take messages. **Contractor will answer calls received by the answering service within 48 hours of receipt of the call.**

## **6.0 HOURS/DAY OF WORK**

- 6.1 Contractor will coordinate all trainings (hours and locations) with DMH staff- County Contract Monitor and County Program Lead– as identified in Exhibit D – County Administration.
- 6.2 The Contractor is not required to provide services on County-recognized holidays.

## **7.0 WORK SCHEDULES**

- 7.1 Contractor must submit revised schedules when actual performance differs substantially from planned performance. Said revisions must be submitted to the County's Program Manager for review and approval within five working days prior to scheduled time for work.

## **8.0 INTENTIONALLY OMITTED**

## **9.0 ADDITION AND/OR DELETION OF SPECIFIC TASKS**

- 9.1 All changes must be made in accordance with Subparagraph 8.1 (Amendments) of the Contract.

## **10.0 INTENTIONALLY OMITTED**

## **11.0 INTENTIONALLY OMITTED**

## **12.0 INTENTIONALLY OMITTED**

## **13.0 GREEN INITIATIVES**

- 13.1 Contractor must use reasonable efforts to initiate “green” practices for environmental and energy conservation benefits.
- 13.2 Contractor must notify County’s Program Manager of Contractor’s new green initiatives prior to Contract commencement.

## **14.0 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY**

The below Performance Requirements Summary (PRS) chart, SOW Attachment 2 (SOW Attachments) is a listing of requirements that will be monitored by the County during the term of the Contract are delineated in this SOW.

- 14.1 All listings of services used in the PRS are intended to be completely consistent with the Contract and this SOW, and are not meant in any case to create, extend, revise, or expand any obligation of Contractor beyond that defined in the Contract and this SOW. In any case of apparent inconsistency between services as stated in the Contract and this SOW and this PRS, the meaning apparent in this SOW will prevail. If any service seems to be created in this PRS which is not clearly and forthrightly set forth in the Contract and this SOW, that apparent service will be invalid and place no requirement on Contractor unless and until incorporated into the Contract.

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## CONTRACT DISCREPANCY REPORT

CONTRACTOR RESPONSE DUE BY \_\_\_\_\_ (enter date and time)

<b>Date:</b>		<b>Contractor Response Received:</b>			
<b>Contractor:</b>	<b>Contract No.</b>	<b>County's Program Manager:</b>			
<b>Contact Person:</b>	<b>Telephone:</b>	<b>County's Program Manager Signature:</b>			
<b>Email:</b>		<b>Email:</b>			
<p>A contract discrepancy(s) is specified below. The Contractor will take corrective action and respond back to the <span style="color: red;">County personnel</span> identified above by the date required. Failure to take corrective action or respond to this Contract Discrepancy Report by the date specified may result in the deduction of damages.</p>					
No.	Contract Discrepancy	Contractor's Response*	County Use Only		
			Date Correction Due	Date Completed	Approved
1					
2					
3					

\*Use additional sheets if necessary

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Contractor's Representative Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date Signed*

<b>Additional Comments:</b>

**PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY (PRS) CHART**

<b>SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE REFERENCE</b>	<b>REQUIRED SERVICE</b>	<b>COUNTY MONITORING METHOD CONTRACTOR WILL PROVIDE</b>	<b>DUE DATE</b>
SOW: Section 3.0	Quality Control Plan for services listed in this SOW.	Quality Control Plan.	Once the contract is executed.
SOW: Section 2.1 and 3.3	Initial IPT Level-A training.	Attendance reports in Microsoft Excel including training dates, trainees' last name and first name initial only and organization name.	15 <sup>th</sup> calendar day of the month following the month of service.
SOW: Sections 2.1.1 and 3.3	IPT Level-A training hard copy training manuals.	Report on number of manuals mailed to DMH, including the training date for which the manuals are mailed for, in Microsoft Excel.	15 <sup>th</sup> calendar day of the month following the month of service.
SOW: Section 2.2 and 3.3	Technical assistance calls.	Technical call attendance reports in Microsoft Excel including consultants' last name and first name initial only, call dates, trainees' last name and first name initial only and organization name.	15 <sup>th</sup> calendar day of the month following the month of service.
SOW: Section 2.3 and 3.3	Portfolio Reviews.	Reports on portfolio reviews in Microsoft Excel, including portfolio review completion date and trainees' last name and first name initial only and organization name, and consultants' last name and first name initial only.	15 <sup>th</sup> calendar day of the month following the month of service.
SOW: Section 2.4 and 3.3	IPT Booster Training Workshop.	Attendance reports in Microsoft Excel including, training date, trainees' last name and first name initial only, organization name.	15 <sup>th</sup> calendar day of the month following the month of service.

**Exhibit B - Fiscal Provisions**  
**Interpersonal Psychotherapy Training (IPT)**

**1. Funding Allocation**

Fiscal Year	2024-25	2025-26	Total
Amount	\$ 242,400.00	\$ 242,400.00	\$ 484,800.00

**2. Rate Table**

Fiscal Year 2024-25 and 2025-26	
Service Category	Rate
IPT Level A 2-day Training per cohort	\$ 12,000.00
1-DAY Booster Training per cohort	\$ 6,000.00
IPT LEVEL A Training Manual (cost of manuals includes shipping & handling)	\$ 20.00
Portfolio Reviews - Hourly	\$ 250.00
Technical Assistance Calls - Hourly	\$ 250.00

**3. Invoicing**

- 3.1 Contractor will submit invoices similar to Exhibit B1-Invoice Sample and as set forth in Paragraph 5.5 -Invoices and Payments of the Contract.
- 3.2 Contractor will provide documents and reports as indicated in Attachment 2 of Exhibit A-Statement of Work - Performance Requirement Chart. DMH will use these documents and reports as supporting document to validate and approve submitted invoices for payment.

**COUNTY'S ADMINISTRATION****CONTRACT NO. MH280007****DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH:**

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**CONTRACTOR'S ADMINISTRATION****CONTRACTOR'S NAME:** INTERPERSONAL PSYCHOTHERAPY INSTITUTE**CONTRACT NO.** MH280007**CONTRACTOR'S PROJECT MANAGER:**Name: Scott Stuart, MDTitle: DirectorAddress: PO Box 5925  
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**CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT**

Contractor Name: Interpersonal Psychotherapy  
Institute, L.L.C.

Contract No MH280007

**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

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

**CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

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

Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff are not employees of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that Contractor's Staff do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced contract. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

**CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:**

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

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

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

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

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

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT**

(Note: for Contractor's record; must be made available within three (3) business days upon DMH request)

Contractor  
Name: Interpersonal Psychotherapy  
Institute, L.L.C.Contract No MH280007

Employee Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

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

**EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

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

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

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

**CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:**

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

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

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

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

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

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

(Note: for Contractor's record; must be made available within three (3) business days upon DMH request)

Contractor Name: Interpersonal Psychotherapy  
Institute, L.L.C.Contract No MH280007

Non-Employee Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

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

**NON-EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

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

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

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

**CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:**

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

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

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

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

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_



# THERE'S A BETTER CHOICE. SAFELY SURRENDER YOUR BABY.

Any fire station. Any hospital. Any time.



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Some parents of newborns can find themselves in difficult circumstances. Sadly, babies are sometimes harmed or abandoned by parents who feel that they're not ready or able to raise a child. Many of these mothers or fathers are afraid and don't know where to turn for help.

This is why California has a Safely Surrendered Baby Law, which gives parents the choice to legally leave their baby at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County.

### FIVE THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT BABY SAFE SURRENDER

- 1 Your newborn can be surrendered at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County up to 72 hours after birth.
- 2 You must leave your newborn with a fire station or hospital employee.
- 3 You don't have to provide your name.
- 4 You will only be asked to voluntarily provide a medical history.
- 5 You have 14 days to change your mind; a matching bracelet (parent) and anklet (baby) are provided to assist you if you change your mind.

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### ABOUT THE BABY SAFE SURRENDER PROGRAM

In 2002, a task force was created under the guidance of the Children's Planning Council to address newborn abandonment and to develop a strategic plan to prevent this tragedy.

Los Angeles County has worked hard to ensure that the Safely Surrendered Baby Law prevents babies from being abandoned. We're happy to report that this law is doing exactly what it was designed to do: save the lives of innocent babies. Visit [BabySafeLA.org](http://BabySafeLA.org) to learn more.

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## FROM SURRENDER TO ADOPTION: ONE BABY'S STORY

Los Angeles County firefighter Ted and his wife Becki were already parents to two boys. But when they got the call asking if they would be willing to care for a premature baby girl who'd been safely surrendered at a local hospital, they didn't hesitate.

Baby Jenna was tiny, but Ted and Becki felt lucky to be able to take her home. "We had always wanted to adopt," Ted says, "but taking

home a vulnerable safely surrendered baby was even better. She had no one, but now she had us. And, more importantly, we had her."

Baby Jenna has filled the longing Ted and Becki had for a daughter—and a sister for their boys. Because her birth parent safely surrendered her when she was born, Jenna is a thriving young girl growing up in a stable and loving family.

## ANSWERS TO YOUR QUESTIONS

### Who is legally allowed to surrender the baby?

Anyone with lawful custody can drop off a newborn within the first 72 hours of birth.

### Do you need to call ahead before surrendering a baby?

No. A newborn can be surrendered anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or guardian surrenders the child to an employee of the hospital or fire station.

### What information needs to be provided?

The surrendering adult will be asked to fill out a medical history form, which is useful in caring for the child. The form can be returned later and includes a stamped return envelope. No names are required.

### What happens to the baby?

After a complete medical exam, the baby will be released and placed in a safe and loving home, and the adoption process will begin.

### What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

Nothing. They may leave at any time after surrendering the baby.

### How can a parent get a baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days by calling the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at (800) 540-4000.

### If you're unsure of what to do:

You can call the hotline 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and anonymously speak with a counselor about your options or have your questions answered.

**1.877.222.9723 or BabySafeLA.org**

English, Spanish and 140 other languages spoken.

## CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION

INTERPERSONAL PSYCHOTHERAPY INSTITUTE LLC

Company Name

900 Highland Park Ave. Coralville, IA, 52241.

Address

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

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

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

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

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

**OR**

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

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

## ATTESTATION REGARDING INFORMATION SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

Contractor must comply with Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Policy No. 5.200 "Contractor Protection of Electronic County Information" security and privacy requirements.

INTERPERSONAL PSYCHOTHERAPY INSTITUTE (hereafter "Contractor") acknowledges and certifies that safeguards are in place to protect electronically stored and/or transmitted personal information (PI); protected health information (PHI) and medical information (MI).

Contractor acknowledges it is the Contractor's responsibility to access the following link: <https://dmh.lacounty.gov/for-providers/administrative-tools/administrative-forms/contract-attachments/> **annually and upon notification by DMH of updated Information Security Attachments to complete, or update, the forms listed below that are applicable to their contract:**

- ☒ Attachment 1 – Information Security and Privacy Requirements for Contracts
- ☒ Attachment 2 – DMH Contractor's Compliance with Information Security Requirements
- ☒ Attachment 3 – Confidentiality Oath for Non-DMH Workforce Members
- ☐ Attachment 4 – Electronic Data Transmission Trading Partner Attachment (TPA)

Further, Contractor agrees to comply with the terms and conditions of the attachments listed above, which are by this reference made a part of the Contract. It is Contractor's responsibility to access the link above, complete the attachments as specified and only return the documents where submission is indicated, via email to the Contract Administrator listed in Exhibit D (County's Administration).

Name of authorized official (Official Name) \_\_\_\_\_  
Printed name

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

**CONTRIBUTION AND AGENT DECLARATION FORM**

This form must be completed separately by all bidders/proposers, including all prime contractors and subcontractors, and by all applicants for licenses, permits, and other entitlements for use issued by the County of Los Angeles ("County").

Pursuant to the Levine Act (Government Code section 84308), a member of the Board of Supervisors, other elected County officials (the Sheriff, Assessor, and the District Attorney), and other County employees and/or officers ("County Officers") are disqualified and not able to participate in a proceeding involving contracts, franchises, licenses, permits and other entitlements for use if the County Officer received more than \$250 in contributions in the past 12 months from the bidder, proposer or applicant, any paid agent of the bidder, proposer, or applicant, or any financially interested participant who actively supports or opposes a particular decision in the proceeding.

**State law requires you to disclose information about contributions made by you, your company, and lobbyists and agents paid to represent you. Failure to complete the form in its entirety may result in significant delays in the processing of your application and potential disqualification from the procurement or application process.**

**You must fully answer the applicable questions below. You ("Declarant"), or your company, if applicable, including all entities identified below (collectively, "Declarant Company") must also answer the questions below. The term "employee(s)" shall be defined as employees, officers, partners, owners, or directors of Declarant Company.**

**An affirmative response to any questions will not automatically cause the disqualification of your bid/proposal, or the denial of your application for a license, permit or other entitlement. However, failure to answer questions completely, in good faith, or providing materially false answers may subject a bidder/proposer to disqualification from the procurement.**

*This material is intended for use by bidders/proposers, including all prime contractors and subcontractors, and by all applicants for licenses, permits, and other entitlements for use issued by the County of Los Angeles and does not constitute legal advice. If you have questions about the Levine Act and how it applies to you, you should call your lawyer or contact the Fair Political Practices Commission for further guidance.*

**CONTRIBUTION AND AGENT DECLARATION FORM**

*Complete each section below. State "none" if applicable.*

**A. COMPANY OR APPLICANT INFORMATION**

1) Declarant Company or Applicant Name:

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a) If applicable, identify all subcontractors that have been or will be named in your bid or proposal: \_\_\_\_\_

b) If applicable, variations and acronyms of Declarant Company's name used within the past 12 months: \_\_\_\_\_

c) Identify all entities or individuals who have the authority to make decisions for you or Declarant Company about making contributions to a County Officer, regardless of whether you or Declarant Company have actually made a contribution:

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**[IF A COMPANY, ANSWER QUESTIONS 2 - 3]**

2) Identify only the Parent(s), Subsidiaries and Related Business Entities that Declarant Company has controlled or directed, or been controlled or directed by. "Controlled or directed" means shared ownership, 50% or greater ownership, or shared management and control between the entities.

a) Parent(s):

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b) Subsidiaries:

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c) Related Business Entities:

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3) If Declarant Company is a closed corporation (non-public, with under 35 shareholders), identify the majority shareholder.

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4) Identify all entities (proprietorships, firms, partnerships, joint ventures, syndicates, business trusts, companies, corporations, limited liability companies, associations, committees, and any other organization or group of persons acting in concert) whose contributions you or Declarant Company have the authority to direct or control.

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**CONTRIBUTION AND AGENT DECLARATION FORM**

- 5) Identify any individuals such as employees, agents, attorneys, law firms, lobbyists, and lobbying firms who are or who will act on behalf of you or Declarant Company and who will receive compensation to communicate with a County Officer regarding the award or approval of **this** contract or project, license, permit, or other entitlement for use.

*(Do **not** list individuals and/or firms who, as part of their profession, either (1) submit to the County drawings or submissions of an architectural, engineering, or similar nature, **or** (2) provide purely technical data or analysis, **and** who will not have any other type of communication with a County agency, employee, or officer.)*

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- 6) If you or Declarant Company are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, identify the compensated officers of your organization and the compensated members of your board.

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**B. CONTRIBUTIONS**

- 1) Have you or the Declarant Company solicited or directed your employee(s) or agent(s) to make contributions, whether through fundraising events, communications, or any other means, to a County Officer in the past 12 months? If so, provide details of each occurrence, including the date.

<b>Date</b> (contribution solicited, or directed)	<b>Recipient Name</b> (elected official)	<b>Amount</b>

\*Please attach an additional page, if necessary.

- 2) Disclose all contributions made by you or any of the entities and individuals identified in Section A to a County officer in the past 12 months.

<b>Date</b> (contribution made)	<b>Name</b> (of the contributor)	<b>Recipient Name</b> (elected official)	<b>Amount</b>

\*Please attach an additional page, if necessary.



**CONTRIBUTION AND AGENT DECLARATION FORM****C. DECLARATION**

By signing this Contribution and Agent Declaration form, you (Declarant), or you and the Declarant Company, if applicable, attest that you have read the entirety of the Contribution Declaration and the statements made herein are true and correct to the best of your knowledge and belief. (Only complete the one section that applies.)

There are \_\_\_\_\_ additional pages attached to this Contribution Declaration Form.

**COMPANY BIDDERS OR APPLICANTS**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Authorized Representative), on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ (Declarant Company), at which I am employed as \_\_\_\_\_ (Title), attest that after having made or caused to be made a reasonably diligent investigation regarding the Declarant Company, the foregoing responses, and the explanation on the attached page(s), if any, are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Further, I understand that failure to answer the questions in good faith or providing materially false answers may subject Declarant Company to consequences, including disqualification of its bid/proposal or delays in the processing of the requested contract, license, permit, or other entitlement.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING FUTURE AGENTS AND FUTURE CONTRIBUTIONS:**

By signing this Contribution and Agent Declaration form, you also agree that, if Declarant Company hires an agent, such as, but not limited to, an attorney or lobbyist during the course of these proceedings and will compensate them for communicating with the County about this contract, project, permit, license, or other entitlement for use, you agree to inform the County of the identity of the agent or lobbyist and the date of their hire. You also agree to disclose to the County any future contributions made to members of the County Board of Supervisors, another elected County officer (the Sheriff, Assessor, and the District Attorney), or any other County officer or employee by the Declarant Company, or, if applicable, any of the Declarant Company's proposed subcontractors, agents, lobbyists, and employees who have communicated or will communicate with the County about this contract, license, permit, or other entitlement after the date of signing this disclosure form, and within 12 months following the approval, renewal, or extension of the requested contract, license, permit, or entitlement for use.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## EXHIBIT L

**CONTRIBUTION AND AGENT DECLARATION FORM****INDIVIDUAL BIDDERS OR APPLICANTS**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, declare that the foregoing responses and the explanation on the attached sheet(s), if any, are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Further, I understand that failure to answer the questions in good faith or providing materially false answers may subject me to consequences, including disqualification of my bid/proposal or delays in the processing of the requested license, permit, or other entitlement.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING FUTURE AGENTS AND FUTURE CONTRIBUTIONS:**

If I hire an agent or lobbyist during the course of these proceedings and will compensate them for communicating with the County about this contract, project, permit, license, or other entitlement for use, I agree to inform the County of the identity of the agent or lobbyist and the date of their hire. I also agree to disclose to the County any future contributions made to members of the County Board of Supervisors, another elected County official (the Sheriff, Assessor, and the District Attorney), or any other County officer or employee by me, or an agent such as, but not limited to, a lobbyist or attorney representing me, that are made after the date of signing this disclosure form, and within 12 months following the approval, renewal, or extension of the requested contract, license, permit, or entitlement for use.

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Signature

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Date



## DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

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LISA H. WONG, Psy.D.  
Director

Curley L. Bonds, M.D.  
Chief Medical Officer

Connie D. Draxler, M.P.A.  
Acting Chief Deputy Director

March 29, 2024

TO: Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath, Chair  
Supervisor Hilda L. Solis  
Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell  
Supervisor Janice Hahn  
Supervisor Kathryn Barger

FROM: Lisa H. Wong, Psy.D.  
Director

*Connie D. Draxler*

SUBJECT: **NOTICE OF INTENT TO EXECUTE A NEW SOLE SOURCE  
CONTRACT WITH PRACTICEWISE, LLC, TO FUND THE  
MANAGING AND ADAPTING PRACTICE TRAINING PROGRAM**

In accordance with the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors' (Board) Policy No. 5.100 (Sole Source Contracts and Amendments), the Department of Mental Health (DMH) is notifying your Board of our Department's intent to execute a new sole source contract with PracticeWise, LLC, (PracticeWise) to fund the Managing and Adapting Practice (MAP) Training Program for DMH and contracted providers' clinicians.

DMH will request that your Board approve a new sole source contract with PracticeWise. The contract will be effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026, two fiscal years, with the option of three annual extensions. The Total Contract Amount for the term of the contract will be \$696,832, fully funded by Mental Health Services Act – Prevention and Early Intervention revenue.

The new sole source contract with PracticeWise will provide MAP subscriptions, training, certification/recertification for DMH and contracted providers' clinicians and supervisors and provide easy access to the most current scientific information and user-friendly monitoring tools and clinical protocols.

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## **JUSTIFICATION**

PracticeWise is the exclusive vendor that provides training and distributes online information and resources for the MAP system to improve the quality, efficiency, and outcomes of health and human services. Trainings, tools, and resources provided by PracticeWise are necessary and mandatory for DMH and contracted providers' clinicians and their supervisors for continued provision of MAP services. MAP was designed to (a) reinforce continued quality improvement in the direct care of youth, and (b) expand the capacity of DMH and its provider network to independently sustain and enhance service delivery. The program's primary goal is for mental health professionals to develop proficiency in the selection, organization, delivery, and evaluation of common practices used in evidence-based approaches. Evaluations of the MAP program found evidence of favorable results for youth and effective development of services provided. In the past, DMH unitized the annual purchase order process to acquire MAP training services from PracticeWise, since it is integral to DMH's ability to maintain well-developed mental health professionals throughout the County on an ongoing basis, DMH has determined that it is more efficient to execute an ongoing contract with PracticeWise instead of utilizing the annual purchase order process. DMH estimates that approximately 144 clinicians and 12 supervisors will be trained annually.

## **NOTIFICATION TIMELINE**

Pursuant to Board Policy No. 5.100 (Sole Source Contracts and Amendments), DMH is required to notify your Board at least four weeks prior to commencing contract negotiations for a new sole source contract. If requested by a Board Office or the Chief Executive Office, DMH will place this item on the Health and Mental Health Services Cluster Agenda.

Unless otherwise instructed by your Board Office within four weeks of this notice, DMH will present your Board a letter for approval to execute a new sole source contract with PracticeWise for the MAP Program.

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please contact me at [LWong@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:LWong@dmh.lacounty.gov) or (213) 947-6670, or your staff may contact Stella Krikorian, Division Manager, Contracts Development and Administration Division, at [SKrikorian@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:SKrikorian@dmh.lacounty.gov) or (213) 943-9146.

LHW:CDD:KN  
SK:CM:atm

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

## SOLE SOURCE CHECKLIST

Department Name: Mental Health




New Sole Source Contract



Sole Source Amendment to Existing Contract

Date Existing Contract First Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Check (✓)	<b>JUSTIFICATION FOR SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS AND AMENDMENTS</b> Identify applicable justification and provide documentation for each checked item.
	➤ Only one bona fide source (monopoly) for the service exists; performance and price competition are not available. A monopoly is an <i>“Exclusive control of the supply of any service in a given market. If more than one source in a given market exists, a monopoly does not exist.”</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Compliance with applicable statutory and/or regulatory provisions.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Compliance with State and/or federal programmatic requirements.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Services provided by other public or County-related entities.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Services are needed to address an emergent or related time-sensitive need.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ The service provider(s) is required under the provisions of a grant or regulatory requirement.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Services are needed during the time period required to complete a solicitation for replacement services; provided services are needed for no more than 12 months from the expiration of an existing contract which has no available option periods.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Maintenance and support services are needed for an existing solution/system during the time to complete a solicitation for a new replacement solution/system; provided the services are needed for no more than 24 months from the expiration of an existing maintenance and support contract which has no available option periods.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Maintenance service agreements exist on equipment which must be serviced by the original equipment manufacturer or an authorized service representative.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ It is more cost-effective to obtain services by exercising an option under an existing contract.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ It is in the best economic interest of the County (e.g., significant costs and time to replace an existing system or infrastructure, administrative cost and time savings and excessive learning curve for a new service provider, etc.). In such cases, departments must demonstrate due diligence in qualifying the cost-savings or cost-avoidance associated with the best economic interest of the County.

Erika Bonilla  
Chief Executive Office

5/9/24

Date



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April 29, 2024

TO: Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath, Chair  
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FROM: Lisa H. Wong, Psy.D.  
Director

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SUBJECT: **NOTICE OF INTENT TO EXECUTE A NEW SOLE SOURCE  
CONTRACT WITH INTERPERSONAL PSYCHOTHERAPY  
INSTITUTE, LLC, TO FUND THE INTERPERSONAL  
PSYCHOTHERAPY CONTINUING EDUCATION TRAINING  
PROGRAM**

In accordance with the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors' (Board) Policy No. 5.100 (Sole Source Contracts and Amendments), the Department of Mental Health (DMH) is notifying your Board of our Department's intent to execute a new sole source contract with Interpersonal Psychotherapy Institute, LLC, (IPT Institute) to fund the interpersonal psychotherapy continuing education training program for DMH and contracted providers' clinicians.

DMH will request that your Board approve a new sole source contract with IPT Institute. The contract will be effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026, with the option of three annual extensions. The Total Contract Amount for the term of contract will be \$484,800, fully funded by Mental Health Services Act – Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) revenue.

The new contract with IPT Institute will allow DMH and contracted providers' clinicians to benefit from IPT trainings. These trainings will help clinicians to provide high quality evidence-based therapy to their clients.



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## **JUSTIFICATION**

IPT is currently the only PEI Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) that addresses treatment of depression through the lens of bolstering social support and is one of the highest utilized PEI EBPs throughout the Los Angeles County. Continuing education trainings provided by IPT Institute are essential for DMH and its contracted providers' clinicians. The main goal of IPT is to improve the quality of a clients' interpersonal relationships and social functioning to increase their social support and help reduce overall distress. Therapy is focused on one or more interpersonal problem areas including interpersonal disputes, role transitions, as well as grief and loss issues. In the past DMH utilized the annual purchase order process to acquire IPT training services from IPT Institute, however, since it is integral to DMH's ability to maintain well-developed mental health professionals throughout the County on an on-going basis, DMH has determined that it is more efficient to execute an ongoing contract with IPT Institute instead of utilizing the annual purchase order process. Executing a contract with IPT Institute will save DMH a significant amount of administrative time and cost. DMH estimates that approximately 180 clinicians will be trained through three cohort programs annually.

## **NOTIFICATION TIMELINE**

Pursuant to Board Policy No. 5.100 (Sole Source Contracts and Amendments), DMH is required to notify your Board at least four weeks prior to commencing contract negotiations for a new sole source contract. If requested by a Board Office or the Chief Executive Office, DMH will place this item on the Health and Mental Health Services Cluster Agenda.

Unless otherwise instructed by your Board Office within four weeks of this notice, DMH will present your Board a letter for approval to execute a new sole source contract with IPT Institute to fund the continuing education training Program.

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please contact me at [LWong@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:LWong@dmh.lacounty.gov) or (213) 947-6670, or your staff may contact Stella Krikorian, Division Manager, Contracts Development and Administration Division, at [SKrikorian@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:SKrikorian@dmh.lacounty.gov) or (213) 943-9146.

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

## SOLE SOURCE CHECKLIST

Department Name: Mental Health



New Sole Source Contract



Sole Source Amendment to Existing Contract

Date Existing Contract First Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Check (✓)	<b>JUSTIFICATION FOR SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS AND AMENDMENTS</b> Identify applicable justification and provide documentation for each checked item.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Only one bona fide source (monopoly) for the service exists; performance and price competition are not available. A monopoly is an <i>“Exclusive control of the supply of any service in a given market. If more than one source in a given market exists, a monopoly does not exist.”</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Compliance with applicable statutory and/or regulatory provisions.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Compliance with State and/or federal programmatic requirements.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Services provided by other public or County-related entities.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Services are needed to address an emergent or related time-sensitive need.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ The service provider(s) is required under the provisions of a grant or regulatory requirement.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Services are needed during the time period required to complete a solicitation for replacement services; provided services are needed for no more than 12 months from the expiration of an existing contract which has no available option periods.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Maintenance and support services are needed for an existing solution/system during the time to complete a solicitation for a new replacement solution/system; provided the services are needed for no more than 24 months from the expiration of an existing maintenance and support contract which has no available option periods.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ Maintenance service agreements exist on equipment which must be serviced by the original equipment manufacturer or an authorized service representative.
<input type="checkbox"/>	➤ It is more cost-effective to obtain services by exercising an option under an existing contract.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	➤ It is in the best economic interest of the County (e.g., significant costs and time to replace an existing system or infrastructure, administrative cost and time savings and excessive learning curve for a new service provider, etc.). In such cases, departments must demonstrate due diligence in qualifying the cost-savings or cost-avoidance associated with the best economic interest of the County.

Erika Bonilla  
Chief Executive Office

5/20/24  
Date