



**County of Santa Barbara**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**Minute Order**

**May 06, 2014**

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**Present:** 5 - Supervisor Carbajal, Supervisor Wolf, Supervisor Farr, Supervisor Adam,  
and Supervisor Lavagnino

ALCOHOL, DRUG AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

File Reference No. 14-00146

**RE:** Consider recommendations regarding an Agreement with Traditions Behavioral Health, as follows:

a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement with Traditions Behavioral Health (not a local vendor) to provide psychiatry services at Alcohol, Drug, and Mental Health Services facilities through June 30, 2017, for a maximum Contract amount not to exceed \$5,793,922.00, which includes \$433,560.00 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2013-2014, \$1,734,240.00 for FY 2014-2015, \$1,786,267.00 for FY 2015-2016, and \$1,839,855.00 for FY 2016-2017; and

b) Determine that the approval of the contract is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), finding that the activities are covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment, and where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activities in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activities are not subject to CEQA.

**A motion was made by Supervisor Wolf, seconded by Supervisor Carbajal, that this matter be Acted on as follows:**

a) Approved; Chair to execute; and

b) Approved.

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 5 - Supervisor Carbajal, Supervisor Wolf, Supervisor Farr, Supervisor Adam,  
and Supervisor Lavagnino

**AGREEMENT**

**FOR SERVICES OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

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**THIS AGREEMENT** (hereafter Agreement) is made by and between the County of Santa Barbara, a political subdivision of the State of California (hereafter COUNTY) and Traditions Psychology Group, Inc. dba Traditions Behavioral Health, having its principal place of business at 1580 First Street, Napa, California (hereafter CONTRACTOR) wherein CONTRACTOR agrees to provide and COUNTY agrees to accept the services specified herein.

**WHEREAS**, CONTRACTOR represents that it is specially trained, skilled, experienced, and competent to perform the special services required by COUNTY and COUNTY desires to retain the services of CONTRACTOR pursuant to the terms, covenants, and conditions herein set forth;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

**1. DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE**

Deputy Director – Clinical Operations at phone number 805-681-5220 is the representative of COUNTY and will administer this Agreement for and on behalf of COUNTY. Gary Hayes, Ph.D. (e-mail drhayes3@tbhcare.com) is the authorized representative for CONTRACTOR. Changes in designated representatives shall be made only after advance written notice to the other party.

**2. NOTICES**

Any notice or consent required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be given to the respective parties in writing, by personal delivery or facsimile, or with postage prepaid by first class mail, registered or certified mail, or express courier service, as follows:

To COUNTY:                      Director  
Santa Barbara County  
Alcohol, Drug, and Mental Health Services  
300 N. San Antonio Rd, Bldg. 3  
Santa Barbara, CA 93110  
Fax: 805-681-5262

To CONTRACTOR: Gary A. Hayes, Ph.D., President  
Traditions Psychology Group, Inc  
dba Traditions Behavioral Health  
1580 First Street  
Napa, CA 94559  
Fax: 707-258-8757

or at such other address or to such other person that the parties may from time to time designate in accordance with this Notices section. If sent by first class mail, notices and consents under this section shall be deemed to be received five (5) days following their deposit in the U.S. mail. This Notices section shall not be

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construed as meaning that either party agrees to service of process except as required by applicable law.

**3. SCOPE OF SERVICES**

CONTRACTOR agrees to provide services to COUNTY in accordance with EXHIBIT A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**4. TERM**

CONTRACTOR shall commence performance on 4/1/2014 and end performance upon completion, but no later than 6/30/2017 unless otherwise directed by COUNTY or unless earlier terminated.

**5. COMPENSATION OF CONTRACTOR**

In full consideration for CONTRACTOR's services, CONTRACTOR shall be paid for performance under this Agreement in accordance with the terms of EXHIBIT B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. Billing shall be made by invoice, which shall include the contract number assigned by COUNTY and which is delivered to the address given in Section 2 NOTICES above following completion of the increments identified on EXHIBIT B. Unless otherwise specified on EXHIBIT B, payment shall be net thirty (30) days from presentation of invoice.

**6. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

It is mutually understood and agreed that CONTRACTOR (including any and all of its officers, agents, and employees), shall perform all of its services under this Agreement as an independent contractor as to COUNTY and not as an officer, agent, servant, employee, joint venturer, partner, or associate of COUNTY. Furthermore, COUNTY shall have no right to control, supervise, or direct the manner or method by which CONTRACTOR shall perform its work and function. However, COUNTY shall retain the right to administer this Agreement so as to verify that CONTRACTOR is performing its obligations in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof. CONTRACTOR understands and acknowledges that it shall not be entitled to any of the benefits of a COUNTY employee, including but not limited to vacation, sick leave, administrative leave, health insurance, disability insurance, retirement, unemployment insurance, workers' compensation and protection of tenure. CONTRACTOR shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, its employees all legally-required employee benefits. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible and save COUNTY harmless from all matters relating to payment of CONTRACTOR's employees, including compliance with Social Security withholding and all other regulations governing such matters. It is acknowledged that during the term of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR may be providing services to others unrelated to the COUNTY or to this Agreement.

**7. STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE**

A. CONTRACTOR and the professional staff subcontracted by CONTRACTOR represent that they have the skills, expertise, and licenses and/or permits necessary to perform the services required under this Agreement. Accordingly, CONTRACTOR and the professional staff subcontracted by CONTRACTOR shall perform all such services in the manner and according to the standards observed by a competent practitioner of the same profession in which CONTRACTOR and the professional staff subcontracted by CONTRACTOR are engaged. All products of whatsoever nature which CONTRACTOR and the professional staff subcontracted by CONTRACTOR deliver to COUNTY

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pursuant to this Agreement shall be prepared in a manner which will conform to high standards of quality and shall conform to the standards of quality normally observed by a person practicing in CONTRACTOR'S profession and/or the profession of the professional staff subcontracted by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR and the professional staff subcontracted by CONTRACTOR shall correct or revise any errors or omissions, at COUNTY'S request, without additional compensation. CONTRACTOR and the professional staff subcontracted by CONTRACTOR shall obtain and maintain all permits and/or licenses required for performance under this Agreement without additional compensation, at CONTRACTOR'S own expense.

- B. COUNTY may not modify or in any way alter the self-employment agreement entered into by Professionals and CONTRACTOR, including but not limited to payment of additional bonuses, modification of hourly wage, adjustment of benefits, or changes to hours commitments. Any adjustment requests must be submitted directly to CONTRACTOR in writing.

**8. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION**

CONTRACTOR certifies to COUNTY that it and its employees and principals are not debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for, participation in federal, state, or county government contracts. CONTRACTOR certifies that it shall not contract with a subcontractor that is so debarred or suspended.

**9. TAXES**

CONTRACTOR shall pay all taxes, levies, duties, and assessments of every nature due in connection with any work under this Agreement and shall make any and all payroll deductions required by law. COUNTY shall not be responsible for paying any taxes on CONTRACTOR's behalf, and should COUNTY be required to do so by state, federal, or local taxing agencies, CONTRACTOR agrees to promptly reimburse COUNTY for the full value of such paid taxes plus interest and penalty, if any. These taxes shall include, but not be limited to, the following: FICA (Social Security), unemployment insurance contributions, income tax, disability insurance, and workers' compensation insurance.

**10. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

CONTRACTOR covenants that CONTRACTOR presently has no employment or interest and shall not acquire any employment or interest, direct or indirect, including any interest in any business, property, or source of income, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of services required to be performed under this Agreement. CONTRACTOR further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement, no person having any such interest shall be employed by CONTRACTOR. COUNTY retains the right to waive a conflict of interest disclosed by CONTRACTOR if COUNTY determines it to be immaterial, and such waiver is only effective if provided by COUNTY to CONTRACTOR in writing.

**11. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

COUNTY shall be the owner of the following items incidental to this Agreement upon production, whether or not completed: all data collected, all documents of any type whatsoever, all photos, designs, sound or audiovisual recordings, software code, inventions, technologies, and other materials, and any material necessary for the practical use of such items, from the time of collection and/or production whether or not performance under this Agreement is completed or terminated prior to completion. CONTRACTOR shall not release

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any of such items to other parties except after prior written approval of COUNTY. Contractor shall be the legal owner and Custodian of Records for all COUNTY client files generated pursuant to this Agreement, and shall comply with all Federal and State confidentiality laws, including Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) §5328; 42 United States Code (U.S.C.) §290dd-2; and 45 CFR, Parts 160 – 164 setting forth the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). CONTRACTOR shall inform all of its officers, employees, and agents of the confidentiality provision of said laws. CONTRACTOR further agrees to provide COUNTY with copies of all COUNTY client file documents resulting from this Agreement without requiring any further written release of information. Within HIPAA guidelines, COUNTY shall have the unrestricted authority to publish, disclose, distribute, and/or otherwise use in whole or in part, any reports, data, documents or other materials prepared under this Agreement.

Unless otherwise specified in Exhibit A, CONTRACTOR hereby assigns to COUNTY all copyright, patent, and other intellectual property and proprietary rights to all data, documents, reports, photos, designs, sound or audiovisual recordings, software code, inventions, technologies, and other materials prepared or provided by CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement (collectively referred to as "Copyrightable Works and Inventions"). COUNTY shall have the unrestricted authority to copy, adapt, perform, display, publish, disclose, distribute, create derivative works from, and otherwise use in whole or in part, any Copyrightable Works and Inventions. CONTRACTOR agrees to take such actions and execute and deliver such documents as may be needed to validate, protect and confirm the rights and assignments provided hereunder. CONTRACTOR warrants that any Copyrightable Works and Inventions and other items provided under this Agreement will not infringe upon any intellectual property or proprietary rights of any third party. CONTRACTOR at its own expense shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless COUNTY against any claim that any Copyrightable Works or Inventions or other items provided by CONTRACTOR hereunder infringe upon intellectual or other proprietary rights of a third party, and CONTRACTOR shall pay any damages, costs, settlement amounts, and fees (including attorneys' fees) that may be incurred by COUNTY in connection with any such claims. This Ownership of Documents and Intellectual Property provision shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement.

**12. NO PUBLICITY OR ENDORSEMENT**

CONTRACTOR shall not use COUNTY's name or logo or any variation of such name or logo in any publicity, advertising or promotional materials. CONTRACTOR shall not use COUNTY's name or logo in any manner that would give the appearance that the COUNTY is endorsing CONTRACTOR, except to acknowledge funding from COUNTY as specified in Section 13, Communication. CONTRACTOR shall not in any way contract on behalf of or in the name of COUNTY. CONTRACTOR shall not release any informational pamphlets, notices, press releases, research reports, or similar public notices concerning the COUNTY or its projects, without obtaining the prior written approval of COUNTY.

**13. COMMUNICATION.**

CONTRACTOR shall acknowledge in any public announcement regarding the program that is the subject of this Agreement that Santa Barbara County Alcohol, Drug, and Mental Health Department provides all or some of the funding for the program.

**14. COUNTY PROPERTY AND INFORMATION**

All of COUNTY's property, documents, and information provided for CONTRACTOR's use in connection with the services shall remain COUNTY's property, and CONTRACTOR shall

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return any such items whenever requested by COUNTY and whenever required according to the Termination section of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR may use such items only in connection with providing the services. CONTRACTOR shall not disseminate any COUNTY property, documents, or information without COUNTY's prior written consent.

**15. RECORDS, AUDIT, AND REVIEW**

CONTRACTOR shall keep such business records pursuant to this Agreement as would be kept by a reasonably prudent practitioner of CONTRACTOR's profession and shall maintain all records until such time that the State Department of Health Care Services completes all actions associated with the final audit, including appeals, for the fiscal year(s) covered by this Agreement, or not less than four (4) years following the termination of this Agreement. All accounting records shall be kept in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. COUNTY shall have the right to audit and review all such documents and records at any time during CONTRACTOR's regular business hours or upon reasonable notice. In addition, if this Agreement exceeds ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), CONTRACTOR shall be subject to the examination and audit of the California State Auditor, at the request of the COUNTY or as part of any audit of the COUNTY, for a period of three (3) years after final payment under the Agreement (Cal. Govt. Code Section 8546.7). CONTRACTOR shall participate in any audits and reviews, whether by COUNTY or the State, at no charge to COUNTY.

If federal, state or COUNTY audit exceptions are made relating to this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall reimburse all costs incurred by federal, state, and/or COUNTY governments associated with defending against the audit exceptions or performing any audits or follow-up audits, including but not limited to: audit fees, court costs, attorneys' fees based upon a reasonable hourly amount for attorneys in the community, travel costs, penalty assessments and all other costs of whatever nature. Immediately upon notification from COUNTY, CONTRACTOR shall reimburse the amount of the audit exceptions and any other related costs directly to COUNTY as specified by COUNTY in the notification.

**16. INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE**

CONTRACTOR agrees to the indemnification and insurance provisions as set forth in EXHIBIT C attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**17. NONDISCRIMINATION**

COUNTY hereby notifies CONTRACTOR that COUNTY's Unlawful Discrimination Ordinance (Article XIII of Chapter 2 of the Santa Barbara County Code) applies to this Agreement and is incorporated herein by this reference with the same force and effect as if the ordinance were specifically set out herein and CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with said ordinance.

**18. NONEXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT**

CONTRACTOR understands that this is not an exclusive Agreement and that COUNTY shall have the right to negotiate with and enter into contracts with others providing the same or similar services as those provided by CONTRACTOR as the COUNTY desires.

**19. NON-ASSIGNMENT**

CONTRACTOR shall not assign, transfer or subcontract this Agreement or any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of COUNTY and any attempt to so assign, subcontract or transfer without such consent shall be void and without legal effect and shall constitute grounds for termination.

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**20. TERMINATION**

A. By COUNTY. COUNTY may, by written notice to CONTRACTOR, terminate this Agreement in whole or in part at any time, whether for COUNTY's convenience, for nonappropriation of funds, or because of the failure of CONTRACTOR to fulfill the obligations herein.

1. **For Convenience.** COUNTY may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part upon ninety (90) days written notice. During the ninety (90) day period, CONTRACTOR shall, as directed by COUNTY, wind down and cease its services as quickly and efficiently as reasonably possible, without performing unnecessary services or activities and by minimizing negative effects on COUNTY from such winding down and cessation of services.

2. **For Nonappropriation of Funds.**

a. The parties acknowledge and agree that this Agreement is dependent upon the availability of County, State, and/or federal funding. If funding to make payments in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement is not forthcoming from the County, State and/or federal governments for the Agreement, or is not allocated or allotted to COUNTY by the County, State and/or federal governments for this Agreement for periodic payment in the current or any future fiscal period, then the obligations of COUNTY to make payments after the effective date of such non-allocation or non-funding, as provided in the notice, will cease and terminate.

b. As permitted by applicable State and Federal laws regarding funding sources, if funding to make payments in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement is delayed or is reduced from the County, State, and/or federal governments for the Agreement, or is not allocated or allotted in full to COUNTY by the County, State, and/or federal governments for this Agreement for periodic payment in the current or any future fiscal period, then the obligations of COUNTY to make payments will be delayed or be reduced accordingly or COUNTY shall have the right to terminate the Agreement as provided in Section 17. If such funding is reduced, COUNTY in its sole discretion shall determine which aspects of the Agreement shall proceed and which Services shall be performed. In these situations, COUNTY will pay CONTRACTOR for Services and Deliverables and certain of its costs. Any obligation to pay by COUNTY will not extend beyond the end of COUNTY'S then-current funding period.

c. CONTRACTOR expressly agrees that no penalty or damages shall be applied to, or shall accrue to, COUNTY in the event that the necessary funding to pay under the terms of this Agreement is not available, not allocated, not allotted, delayed or reduced.

3. **For Cause.** Should CONTRACTOR default in the performance of this Agreement or materially breach any of its provisions, COUNTY may, at COUNTY's sole option, terminate or suspend this Agreement in whole or in part by written notice. Upon receipt of notice, CONTRACTOR shall immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise) and notify COUNTY as to the status of its performance. The date of termination shall be the date the notice is received by CONTRACTOR, unless the notice directs otherwise.

B. BY CONTRACTOR.

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- a. For Convenience. CONTRACTOR may, upon ninety (90) days written notice to COUNTY, terminate this Agreement in whole or in part at any time, whether for CONTRACTOR'S convenience or because of the failure of COUNTY to fulfill the obligations herein. Following such termination, CONTRACTOR shall promptly cease work and notify COUNTY as to the status of its performance.
- b. For Cause. If CONTRACTOR plans to terminate any Professional's contract for cause, it shall give COUNTY immediate notice. If any Professional providing services under this Agreement has terminated its relationship with Contractor, Contractor shall notify County immediately of such termination upon receipt of notice from Professional. COUNTY shall also maintain the right to terminate individual Professionals for cause as set forth in Exhibit A, Sections III and VII herein.
- C. Upon termination, CONTRACTOR shall deliver to COUNTY all data, estimates, graphs, summaries, reports, and all other property, records, documents or papers as may have been accumulated or produced by CONTRACTOR in performing this Agreement, whether completed or in process, except such items as COUNTY may, by written permission, permit CONTRACTOR to retain. Notwithstanding any other payment provision of this Agreement, COUNTY shall pay CONTRACTOR for satisfactory services performed to the date of termination to include a prorated amount of compensation due hereunder less payments, if any, previously made. In no event shall CONTRACTOR be paid an amount in excess of the full price under this Agreement nor for profit on unperformed portions of service. CONTRACTOR shall furnish to COUNTY such financial information as in the judgment of COUNTY is necessary to determine the reasonable value of the services rendered by CONTRACTOR. In the event of a dispute as to the reasonable value of the services rendered by CONTRACTOR, the decision of COUNTY shall be final. The foregoing is cumulative and shall not affect any right or remedy which COUNTY may have in law or equity.

**21. SECTION HEADINGS**

The headings of the several sections, and any Table of Contents appended hereto, shall be solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning, construction or effect hereof.

**22. SEVERABILITY**

If any one or more of the provisions contained herein shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, then such provision or provisions shall be deemed severable from the remaining provisions hereof, and such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision hereof, and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

**23. REMEDIES NOT EXCLUSIVE**

No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to COUNTY is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy or remedies, and each and every such remedy, to the extent permitted by law, shall be cumulative and in addition to any other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise.



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**24. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE**

Time is of the essence in this Agreement and each covenant and term is a condition herein.

**25. NO WAIVER OF DEFAULT**

No delay or omission of COUNTY to exercise any right or power arising upon the occurrence of any event of default shall impair any such right or power or shall be construed to be a waiver of any such default or an acquiescence therein; and every power and remedy given by this Agreement to COUNTY shall be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient in the sole discretion of COUNTY.

**26. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENT**

In conjunction with the matters considered herein, this Agreement contains the entire understanding and agreement of the parties and there have been no promises, representations, agreements, warranties or undertakings by any of the parties, either oral or written, of any character or nature hereafter binding except as set forth herein. This Agreement may be altered, amended or modified only by an instrument in writing, executed by the parties to this Agreement and by no other means. Each party waives their future right to claim, contest or assert that this Agreement was modified, canceled, superseded, or changed by any oral agreements, course of conduct, waiver or estoppel. Requests for changes to the terms and conditions of this agreement after April 1 of the Fiscal Year for which the change would be applicable shall not be considered. All requests for changes shall be in writing. Changes shall be made by an amendment pursuant to this Section. Any amendments or modifications that do not materially change the terms of this Agreement (such as changes to the Designated Representative or CONTRACTOR'S address for purposes of Notice) may be approved by the director of Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara must approve all other amendments and modifications.

**27. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**

All representations, covenants and warranties set forth in this Agreement, by or on behalf of, or for the benefit of any or all of the parties hereto, shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of such party, its successors and assigns.

**28. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW**

CONTRACTOR shall, at its sole cost and expense, comply with all County, State and Federal ordinances and statutes now in force or which may hereafter be in force with regard to this Agreement. The judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, or the admission of CONTRACTOR in any action or proceeding against CONTRACTOR, whether COUNTY is a party thereto or not, that CONTRACTOR has violated any such ordinance or statute, shall be conclusive of that fact as between CONTRACTOR and COUNTY.

**29. CALIFORNIA LAW AND JURISDICTION**

This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California. Any litigation regarding this Agreement or its contents shall be filed in the County of Santa Barbara, if in state court, or in the federal district court nearest to Santa Barbara County, if in federal court.

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**30. EXECUTION OF COUNTERPARTS**

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and each of such counterparts shall for all purposes be deemed to be an original; and all such counterparts, or as many of them as the parties shall preserve undestroyed, shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

**31. AUTHORITY**

All signatories and parties to this Agreement warrant and represent that they have the power and authority to enter into this Agreement in the names, titles and capacities herein stated and on behalf of any entities, persons, or firms represented or purported to be represented by such entity(ies), person(s), or firm(s) and that all formal requirements necessary or required by any state and/or federal law in order to enter into this Agreement have been fully complied with. Furthermore, by entering into this Agreement, CONTRACTOR hereby warrants that it shall not have breached the terms or conditions of any other contract or agreement to which CONTRACTOR is obligated, which breach would have a material effect hereon.

**32. SURVIVAL**

All provisions of this Agreement which by their nature are intended to survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement shall survive such termination or expiration.

**33. PRECEDENCE**

In the event of conflict between the provisions contained in the numbered sections of this Agreement and the provisions contained in the Exhibits, the provisions of the Exhibits shall prevail over those in the numbered sections.

**34. COMPLIANCE WITH HIPAA.**

CONTRACTOR is expected to adhere to Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) regulations and to develop and maintain comprehensive patient confidentiality policies and procedures, provide annual training of all staff and contracted Professionals regarding those policies and procedures, and demonstrate reasonable effort to secure written and/or electronic data. The parties should anticipate that this Agreement will be modified as necessary for full compliance with HIPAA.

**35. PRIOR AGREEMENTS.**

Upon execution, this Agreement supersedes all prior agreements between COUNTY and CONTRACTOR related to the scope of work contained in this Agreement.

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**THIS AGREEMENT INCLUDES:**

- A. EXHIBIT A – Statement of Work
  - 1. EXHIBIT A-1 - Credentialing Requirements for Healthcare Professionals
- B. EXHIBIT B – Financial Provisions
- C. EXHIBIT C – Standard Indemnification and Insurance Provisions

**AGREEMENT**

Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor between the County of Santa Barbara and Traditions Psychology Group, Inc. dba Traditions Behavioral Health.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have executed this Agreement to be effective on the date executed by County.

**ATTEST:**

MONA MIYASATO, COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
CLERK OF THE BOARD

By: *Russ Baker*  
Deputy

Date: 5-6-14

**RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:**  
ALCOHOL, DRUG, AND MENTAL HEALTH  
SERVICES  
TAKASHI WADA, MD, MPH  
INTERIM DIRECTOR

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Director

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**  
MICHAEL C. GHIZZONI  
COUNTY COUNSEL

By: *ay B* 5/5/14  
Deputy County Counsel

**COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**

By: *Steve Lavagnino*  
STEVE LAVAGNINO, CHAIR  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

**CONTRACTOR:**  
Gary A. Hayes, Ph.D., President  
Traditions Psychology Group, Inc  
dba Traditions Behavioral Health

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tax Id No «TaxID»

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

**APPROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM:**  
ROBERT W. GEIS, CPA  
AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**  
RAY AROMATORIO  
RISK MANAGER

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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CLERK OF THE BOARD

**COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**

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Deputy

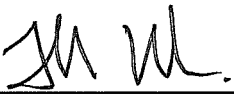
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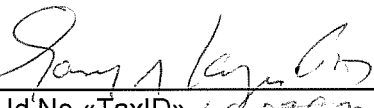
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INTERIM DIRECTOR

**CONTRACTOR:**  
Gary A. Hayes, Ph.D., President  
Traditions Psychology Group, Inc  
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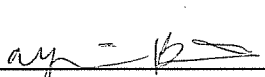
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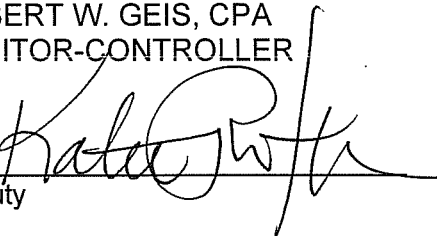
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**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**  
MICHAEL C. GHIZZONI  
COUNTY COUNSEL

**APPROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM:**  
ROBERT W. GEIS, CPA  
AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

By:  5/6/14  
Deputy County Counsel

By:   
Deputy

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**  
RAY AROMATORIO  
RISK MANAGER

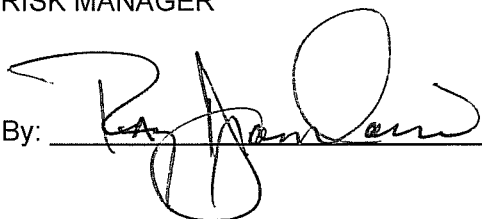
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EXHIBIT A

STATEMENT OF WORK

**I. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES.**

- A. Contractor shall, upon request of County, refer Board-certified psychiatrists (hereafter "Professionals") to meet County's staffing requirements. Board-eligible psychiatrists may be considered upon approval of the ADMHS Medical Director. Contractor's duty to make referrals hereunder is subject to the availability of Professionals.
- B. Contractor will seek Professionals for County who meet the qualifications, experience, and requirements set forth in writing by County and provided to Contractor. County will provide Contractor with copies of Job Descriptions applicable to the Professionals requested. County shall have the right to conduct an interview with each Professional referred to County within ten (10) business days from the time Contractor submits Professional's application and resume to County. Furthermore, County shall have the right to reject any referred Professional if in its sole discretion County does not believe the referred professional meets its specifications and request Contractor provide additional Professionals for consideration.
- C. Cultural Competence. When recruiting for Professionals to provide services pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, Contractor shall consider County's goal of building a staff that is 40% bilingual and bicultural in the County's second threshold language, Spanish; and Contractor shall use its best efforts to hire and retain Professionals for County who meet this criteria. Contractor shall also require Professionals recruited for County to participate in County trainings in Cultural Competence.
- D. County further understands that any Professional presented by Contractor is an independent contractor, and is not an employee of Contractor.
- E. Under the direction of the ADMHS Medical Director, Professionals accepted by County shall perform the following duties, as further detailed in the Job Description:
  - i. Provide as needed all psychiatric services allowed under the scope of licensure as a licensed physician and surgeon in California;
  - ii. Perform diagnostic, suicide, Tarasoff, involuntary admission, medication, and other evaluations;
  - iii. Prescribe and administer, as needed, psychiatric medication(s);
  - iv. Provide medication education for staff, clients, and families;
  - v. Participate in review, revision, and approval of assessments of clients;
  - vi. Participate in the development, review, revision, and approval of treatment plans;
  - vii. Provide consultation, training, and support of multi-disciplinary team members, as needed;
  - viii. Participate in utilization review, medication monitoring, quality improvement protocols, and peer review;
  - ix. Spend 70% or more of each clinical day in face-to-face visits with patients, and in the appropriate documentation of those visits;

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- x. Document patient encounters in a thorough manner, by: naming the patient's chief complaint; recording pertinent elements of the interval history of the present illness, social history, psychiatric history, medication history; completing a full mental status exam; and providing an assessment section that contains analysis of diagnosis, risk, progress and prognosis;
- xi. Perform other relevant work within the scope of Contractor's license.
- xii. Accept training on the use of Online Progress Notes (OLPN) and document patient contacts using the OLPN format;
- xiii. Efficiently provide bridge orders for medications previously prescribed based on input from the clinic staff and, when necessary, patient's record.

**II. ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICES.**

- A. Contractor shall review for approval biweekly the time records of Professional(s) on a form provided by Contractor. Contractor must account for all hours including, but not limited to, approved time off, unplanned absences, etc. Contractor will send the timecard electronically to County Designated Representative for review and approval in conjunction with the invoice for payment of services.
- B. County's approval of such time records (including, but not limited to, costs of any hours unaccounted for) shall be evidenced by both County's signature and signature of Professional(s) thereon and such approval shall constitute acceptance of the work performed by Professional(s) and County's agreement to pay Contractor according to the terms stated herein. All adjustments to time records must be submitted in writing.

**III. STANDARDS.**

- A. Contractor will provide Professional services 200 hours per week, 45.6 weeks per year (5 Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs) of Psychiatric services) in conformance with the following standards.

Contractor agrees that it shall include in the Professionals' respective professional services agreements the following Performance Standards:

- i. Maintain productivity levels of 10-12 patients a day in office, and 6-9 patients a day for psychiatrists working in the field;
- ii. Reduce the number of client no-shows/cancellations, and fill clinic gaps with walk-in clients;
- iii. Chart in the medical record a minimum of four paragraphs per client encounter;
- iv. Evaluate every client in the caseload a minimum of one time per three months, but more often as needed;
- v. Facilitate the transition of clients to appropriate levels of care within the ADMHS system.

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- B. Contractor will monitor performance expectations regularly, and communicate with County and psychiatrists about achievement of these standards. County may request replacement of Professionals who are not achieving the performance standards.

**IV. DOCUMENTATION.**

Contractor agrees that Professionals supplied by Contractor shall enter into County's Management Information System (MIS) all required records for billing purposes, utilization review, and other purposes as required by this Agreement, and all records shall provide all information necessary for County to receive payment or reimbursement from Medi-Cal, Medicare, Medicaid and any other public and/or private insurance. County may delay or not pay compensation to Contractor if records and/or the contents of those records are deficient or incomplete under Medi-Cal, Medicare, Medicaid or any other public and/or private insurance guidelines.

**V. EMPLOYMENT OR CONTRACTING OF PROFESSIONALS.**

- A. Subject to Section 20 (Termination) of the Agreement and Sections III.B (Standards) and VII (Substitution of Professionals) of this Exhibit A, County agrees to accept the Professional for the entire term of this Agreement.
- B. Should any Professional introduced by Contractor remain independently with County, or should County directly hire any such Professional within one year of their individual voluntary separation from Contractor, County agrees to pay Contractor a placement fee of \$40,000. This fee will be payable to Contractor prior to Professional's first day of permanent employment or execution of a County independent contractor agreement.

**VI. QUALIFICATIONS AND SCREENING OF PROFESSIONALS.**

- A. Contractor will provide County with background information on each referred Professional as specified in Exhibit A-1 and including: i) a completed application, ii) license query with the California Medical Board, iii) query United States Department of Health and Human Services – Office of the Inspector General (HHS-OIG) Fraud Prevention and Detection; iv) Contractor self-assessment skills inventory; v) background fingerprint check for record of past criminal record; and vi) references, prior to commencement of the Assignment.
- B. All Professionals referred by Contractor shall be appropriately licensed and/or certified to practice in that profession in California.
- C. Each Professional referred by Contractor shall possess a minimum of one (1) year of full-time experience in an outpatient psychiatry practice, unless otherwise agreed upon between Contractor and County.
- D. Each Professional referred shall possess a current CPR certificate and shall present said certificate to County upon request at time of commencement of the Assignment.
- E. Each Professional referred shall have a negative tuberculin skin test or negative chest x-ray.



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- VII. **SUBSTITUTION OF PROFESSIONALS.** If the services of any Professional providing services under this Agreement are terminated and County requests substitute Professional(s) and has no outstanding balance for eligible services previously provided, then Contractor hereby agrees to make reasonable efforts to locate substitute Professional(s).
- VIII. **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.** Contractor will ensure that Professionals will be informed of and shall provide the following additional services as required.
- A. Professionals may be required to appear for testimony for court and jury trials as determined necessary by the Conservator for purposes of establishing or reestablishing Conservatorships for clients the Professionals have previously or are currently serving.
  - B. Professionals shall provide services in accordance with all applicable provisions of the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act, Welfare and Institutions Code §§5000-5550, Title 9 of the California Code of Regulations, and Short-Doyle Medi-Cal policies pursuant to the requirements of the Community Mental Health Services plan and policy as administered by the County's Director of Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services.
- IX. **NOTIFICATION.** Contractor will notify County immediately in the event of: any known complaints against licensed Professionals; any restrictions in practice or license as stipulated by the State Bureau of Medical Quality Assurance, Community Care Licensing Division of the Department of Social Services of the State, or other State agency; any staff privileges being restricted at a hospital; any legal suits being initiated specific to Contractor's practice; any criminal investigation of Contractor that is initiated; or any other action being instituted which affects Contractor's or Professional's license or practice (for example, sexual harassment accusations).
- X. **CONFIDENTIALITY.** Contractor and Professional staff agree to maintain the confidentiality of patient records pursuant to 45 CFR §205.50 (requires patient, or patient representative, authorization specific to psychiatric treatment prior to release of information or a judge signed court order if patient authorization unavailable). Patient records must comply with all appropriate State and Federal requirements.

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CREDENTIALING REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS

All independent contract Professionals must meet the following requirements, as verified by Contractor:

- I. **Drugscreen.** Proof of a negative drugscreen is required prior to association with Contractor and annually thereafter if Professional is continually associated with Contractor. Drugscreen is to consist of 10 panel testing for Marijuana, Cocaine, Amphetamines (includes testing for Meth Amphetamines), Opiates, Propoxyphene, PCP, Barbiturates, Benzodiazepines, Methaqualone, Methadone.
- II. **Background Check.** Initial background check of a 7-year county criminal search for every county the professional has lived in for the past seven years: annual background check thereafter if Professional is continually associated with Contractor. Contractor's background check is to require the following searches: OIG, Excluded Parties List System (EPLS), Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) and Sexual Offender Registry. Professionals with felony convictions are not eligible for hiring to provide professional services. Any other non-felony records or evidence of non-felony convictions will be provided to County for review prior to entering into any Agreement. Subcontracting of the background check requirement to a nationally recognized credentialing verification organization (CVO) may be substituted with the concurrence of the County Designated Representative.
- III. **Physical.** Evidence of an acceptable physical with no work restrictions in the past 12 months is required prior to initial Assignment of Professional. County, at its discretion, may accept work restrictions of Professionals if reasonable accommodations can be made.
- IV. **Tuberculosis (TB) Test.** Proof of negative TB test within the previous 12 months is required prior to initial Assignment of Professional. For those Professionals that have tested positive for TB in the past, proof of a negative chest x-ray will be required.
- V. **Cardiac Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR).** Certification must be current and valid. Online CPR course certifications are acceptable.
- VI. **Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR).** Proof of vaccinations is required for all Professionals working with children.
- VII. **Expired Documentation.** Professionals will NOT be allowed to work with an expired Drugscreen or TB test. Professionals will have a 30-day grace period from the start of professional services with County to update their CPR or other advanced certifications required for their assignment with the County.
- VIII. **Certificates/Licenses.** Provide to ADMHS Quality Care Management Team (QCMT), a current copy of the physician's Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) certificate and physician's license.

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FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

1. **Contract Maximum.** For services to be rendered under the three year term of this Agreement, Contractor shall be paid at the rate specified in Section 4 below, with a maximum contract value not to exceed **\$5,793,922**. For the **first year** of the Agreement, total expenditures shall not exceed \$433,560. For the **second year** of the Agreement, total expenditures shall not exceed \$1,734,240. For the **third year** of the Agreement, total expenditures shall not exceed \$1,786,267. For the **fourth year** of the Agreement, total expenditures shall not exceed \$1,839,855.
2. **Payment.** Payment for services shall be made upon Contractor's satisfactory performance, based upon the scope and methodology contained in Exhibit A as determined by County. Contractor shall submit electronically to the County Designated Representative a biweekly invoice for the services performed over the period specified. The invoice must show the BC number, each Professional separately listed by name, the monthly rate being charged per Professional (FTE), the total charges and must contain sufficient detail and/or provide supporting documentation to enable an audit of the charges. The Designated Representative or designee shall evaluate Contractor's satisfactory performance, based upon the scope and methodology contained in EXHIBIT A, and if found to be satisfactory and within the terms of the contract, shall initiate payment processing. County reserves the right to request additional information from Contractor to verify the appropriateness of any invoice and to delay payment until it receives such information. County shall pay invoices or claims for satisfactory work within 30 days of presentation of invoice.

3. **County's Designated Representative:**

admhs\_accounts\_payable@co.santa-barbara.ca.us

4. **Rates.**

A. The following are rates for Year 1 of the contract:

- i. County shall reimburse Contractor at a monthly rate of \$25,134 per FTE of psychiatry based on total costs for five (5) FTE of psychiatry. The total amount shall not exceed **\$377,010** for Year 1 of the contract.
- ii. County shall reimburse Contractor a monthly amount of \$3,770 per FTE (up to \$18,850 per month based on five (5) FTE of psychiatry) for administrative and overhead costs. The total amount shall not exceed **\$56,550** for the Year 1 of the contract.

B. The following are rates for Year 2 of the contract:

- i. County shall reimburse Contractor at a monthly rate of \$25,134 per FTE of psychiatry based on total costs for five (5) FTE of psychiatry. The total amount shall not exceed **\$1,508,040** for Year 2 of the contract.
- ii. County shall reimburse Contractor a monthly amount of \$3,770 per FTE (up to \$18,850 per month based on five (5) FTE of psychiatry) for administrative and overhead costs. The total amount shall not exceed **\$226,200** for the Year 2 of the contract.

C. The following are rates for Year 3 of the contract:

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- i. County shall reimburse Contractor at a monthly rate of \$25,888 per FTE of psychiatry based on total costs for five (5) FTE of psychiatry. The total amount shall not exceed **\$1,553,281** for Year 3 of the contract.
  - ii. County shall reimburse Contractor a monthly amount of \$3,883 per FTE (up to \$19,416 per month based on five (5) FTE of psychiatry) for administrative and overhead costs. The total amount shall not exceed **\$232,986** for the Year 3 of the contract.
- D. The following are rates for Year 4 of the contract:
  - i. County shall reimburse Contractor at a monthly rate of \$26,665 per FTE of psychiatry based on total costs for five (5) FTE of psychiatry. The total amount shall not exceed **\$1,599,880** for Year 4 of the contract.
  - ii. County shall reimburse Contractor a monthly amount of \$4,000 per FTE (up to \$19,998 per month based on five (5) FTE of psychiatry) for administrative and overhead costs. The total amount shall not exceed **\$239,976** for the Year 4 of the contract.
- E. The rates set forth above include a 3% annual increase for the third and fourth years of the Agreement.
5. County's failure to discover or object to any unsatisfactory work or billings prior to payment will not constitute a waiver of County's right to require Contractor to correct such work or billings or seek any other legal remedy.
6. **Third Party Billing.** Contractor shall require that Professionals do not bill patient, Medi-Cal or other health insurance for services which Contractor bills to the County.
7. Contractor does not pay for nor provide Workers' Compensation, Accident Insurance, Health Insurance, FICA, or withhold taxes for the Professionals who are independent contractors.

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**Indemnification and Insurance Requirements**

INDEMNIFICATION PERTAINING TO OTHER THAN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

CONTRACTOR agrees to indemnify, defend (with counsel reasonably approved by COUNTY) and hold harmless COUNTY and its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers from and against any and all claims, actions, losses, damages, judgments and/or liabilities arising out of this Agreement from any cause whatsoever, including the acts, errors or omissions of any person or entity and for any costs or expenses (including but not limited to attorneys' fees) incurred by COUNTY on account of any claim except where such indemnification is prohibited by law. CONTRACTOR's indemnification obligation applies to COUNTY's active as well as passive negligence but does not apply to COUNTY's sole negligence or willful misconduct.

INDEMNIFICATION PERTAINING TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

CONTRACTOR agrees to indemnify, defend (with counsel reasonably approved by COUNTY) and hold harmless COUNTY and its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers from and against any and all claims, actions, losses, damages, costs, expenses (including but not limited to attorneys' fees), judgments and/or liabilities arising out of the negligent performance or attempted performance of the provisions hereof, including any willful or negligent act or omission to act on the part of the CONTRACTOR or his agents or employees or other independent contractors directly responsible to him to the fullest extent allowable by law.

NOTIFICATION OF ACCIDENTS AND SURVIVAL OF INDEMNIFICATION PROVISIONS

CONTRACTOR shall notify COUNTY immediately in the event of any accident or injury arising out of or in connection with this Agreement. The indemnification provisions in this Agreement shall survive any expiration or termination of this Agreement.

INSURANCE

CONTRACTOR shall procure and maintain for the duration of this Agreement insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder and the results of that work by the CONTRACTOR, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

A. Minimum Scope of Insurance

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

1. **Commercial General Liability (CGL):** Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products-completed operations, personal & advertising injury, with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate.
2. **Automobile Liability:** ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if CONTRACTOR has no owned autos, hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.

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3. **Workers' Compensation:** as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
4. **Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions)** Insurance appropriate to the CONTRACTOR'S profession, with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence or claim, \$3,000,000 aggregate.

If the CONTRACTOR maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the COUNTY requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the CONTRACTOR. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the COUNTY.

B. Other Insurance Provisions

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

1. **Additional Insured** – COUNTY, its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the CONTRACTOR including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the CONTRACTOR's insurance at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or if not available, through the addition of both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 if a later edition is used).
2. **Primary Coverage** – For any claims related to this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the COUNTY, its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the COUNTY, its officers, officials, employees, agents or volunteers shall be excess of the CONTRACTOR's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
3. **Notice of Cancellation** – Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the COUNTY
4. **Waiver of Subrogation Rights** – CONTRACTOR hereby grants to COUNTY a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said CONTRACTOR may acquire against the COUNTY by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. CONTRACTOR agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to effect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the COUNTY has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.
5. **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retention** – Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the COUNTY. The COUNTY may require the CONTRACTOR to purchase coverage with a lower deductible or retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention
6. **Acceptability of Insurers** – Unless otherwise approved by Risk Management, insurance shall be written by insurers authorized to do business in the State of California and with a minimum A.M. Best's Insurance Guide rating of "A- VII".
7. **Verification of Coverage** – CONTRACTOR shall furnish the COUNTY with proof of insurance, original certificates and amendatory endorsements as required by this

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Agreement. The proof of insurance, certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the COUNTY before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the CONTRACTOR's obligation to provide them. The COUNTY reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time

8. **Failure to Procure Coverage** – In the event that any policy of insurance required under this Agreement does not comply with the requirements, is not procured, or is canceled and not replaced, COUNTY has the right but not the obligation or duty to terminate the Agreement.
9. **Special Risks or Circumstances** – COUNTY reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

Any change requiring additional types of insurance coverage or higher coverage limits must be made by amendment to this Agreement. CONTRACTOR agrees to execute any such amendment within thirty (30) days of receipt.

Any failure, actual or alleged, on the part of COUNTY to monitor or enforce compliance with any of the insurance and indemnification requirements will not be deemed as a waiver of any rights on the part of COUNTY.