Attachment A: Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor

AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

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 VTC Enterprises (VTC) with an address at 2445 A Street, Santa Maria, CA 93455 (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

Damon Fletcher, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer at phone number (805) 882-3654 is the representative of COUNTY and will administer this Agreement for and on behalf of COUNTY. Jason Telander at phone number (805) 928-5000 x324 is the authorized representative for CONTRACTOR. Changes in designated representatives shall be made only after advanced 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: Santa Maria Juvenile Justice Center (JJC)

4263 California Blvd. Santa Maria, CA 93455

Attn: Damon Fletcher, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer

To CONTRACTOR:

PO Box 1187

Santa Maria, CA 93456-1187

Attn: Jason Telander

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

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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 July 1, 2024 and end performance upon completion, but no later than June 30, 2027 unless otherwise directed by COUNTY or unless earlier terminated. This Agreement cancels, nullifies, and supersedes Purchase Contract No. CN8945 referencing contract Bid No. 8700003, and any and all associated Change Order(s), which include a term of July 1, 2024 through August 31, 2024.

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 and attachment B-1. 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

CONTRACTOR represents that it has the skills, expertise, and licenses/permits necessary to perform the services required under this Agreement. Accordingly, CONTRACTOR shall perform

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all such services in the manner and according to the standards observed by a competent practitioner of the same profession in which CONTRACTOR is engaged. All products of whatsoever nature, which CONTRACTOR delivers to COUNTY pursuant to this Agreement, shall be prepared in a first class and workmanlike manner and shall conform to the standards of quality normally observed by a person practicing in CONTRACTOR's profession. CONTRACTOR shall correct or revise any errors or omissions, at COUNTY'S request without additional compensation. Permits and/or licenses shall be obtained and maintained by CONTRACTOR without additional compensation.

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. CONTRACTOR must promptly disclose to COUNTY, in writing, any potential conflict of interest. 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

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collection and/or production whether or not performance under this Agreement is completed or terminated prior to completion. CONTRACTOR shall not release any of such items to other parties except after prior written approval of COUNTY.

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. 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. 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 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.

14. 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 such

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records for at least 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.

15. INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

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

16. 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.

17. 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.

18. 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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19. TERMINATION

- A. <u>By COUNTY.</u> 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 thirty (30) days written notice. During the thirty (30) 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. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, in the event that no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated or budgeted by federal, state or COUNTY governments, or funds are not otherwise available for payments in the fiscal year(s) covered by the term of this Agreement, then COUNTY will notify CONTRACTOR of such occurrence and COUNTY may terminate or suspend this Agreement in whole or in part, with or without a prior notice period. Subsequent to termination of this Agreement under this provision, COUNTY shall have no obligation to make payments with regard to the remainder of the term.
 - 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. <u>By CONTRACTOR</u>. Should COUNTY fail to pay CONTRACTOR all or any part of the payment set forth in EXHIBIT B, CONTRACTOR may, at CONTRACTOR's option terminate this Agreement if such failure is not remedied by COUNTY within thirty (30) days of written notice to COUNTY of such late payment.
- 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

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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.

20. 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.

21. 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.

22. 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.

23. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE

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

24. 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.

25. 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

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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.

26. 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.

27. 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.

28. 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.

29. 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.

30. 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.

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31. 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.

32. 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.

33. BUSINESS ASSOCIATE

The parties agree to the terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit D - HIPAA Business Associate Agreement (BAA), attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

34. FEDERAL CLAUSES

CONTRACTOR, by signing this Agreement agrees to the terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit E – Federal Clauses.

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Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor between the **County of Santa Barbara** and **VTC Enterprises (VTC)**.

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

ATTEST:	COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA:		
Mona Miyasato			
County Executive Officer			
Clerk of the Board			
Ву:	Ву:		
Deputy Clerk	Steve Lavagnino, Chair		
Deputy Cierk	Board of Supervisors		
	Date:		
RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:	CONTRACTOR:		
PROBATION DEPARTMENT	VTC Enterprises (VTC)		
Signed by:	CocuSigned by:		
	JASON TELANDER		
By: Holly L. Benton	By: 4F9C45006E9F43A		
Holly L. Benton, Chief	Authorized Representative		
Department Head	JASON TELANDER		
	Name:		
	Title: CEO		
	APPROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM:		
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	AFFROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM.		
Rachel Van Mullem	Betsy M. Schaffer, CPA		
County Counsel	Auditor-Controller		
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Deputy County Counsel	Deputy		
APPROVED AS TO FORM:			
Gregory Milligan, ARM			
DocuSigned by:			
By: Gra Milligan			
Risk Management			

EXHIBIT A

STATEMENT OF WORK

- 1) CONTRACTOR shall provide lunch and dinner meals to the Santa Maria Juvenile Justice Center (JJC) seven days a week. JJC meals will be delivered to 4263 California Blvd., Santa Maria, CA unless otherwise agreed to by COUNTY.
 - a) Lunch and dinner meals shall be individually packaged (using plastic compartment containers with lids).
 - b) Lunch meals shall be delivered daily to the JJC between 10:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
 - c) Dinner meals shall be delivered daily to the JJC between 3:30 p.m. and 3:45 p.m.
 - d) Meal counts will be called in daily by JJC at 6:00 a.m. the day of delivery. (The minimum number of estimated meals is 40 and the maximum is 80 based on projected population.)
 - e) Modifications to the delivery schedule, including days and times, are to be discussed and agreed to in advance by CONTRACTOR and COUNTY.

Meals shall include condiments and utensils appropriate for a detention facility.

- 2) CONTRACTOR shall conform to all nutritional, health and sanitation requirements of the State of California regulations and any local ordinances.
- 3) Meals shall be prepared and remain through delivery below 41° or above 140° depending on the food being cold or hot. Temperature logs shall be maintained for all meals.
- 4) Meals shall conform to the minimum standards contained in:
 - a) National School Lunch Program as administered by the California Department of Education, Nutrition Services Division (available online Grades K-12 Breakfast and Lunch Meal Patterns at NSLP and SBP Meal Patterns Healthy Eating & Nutrition Education (CA Dept of Education).
 - b) Minimum Diet and Medical Diets as required by the Board of State and Community Corrections, Title 15 Minimum Standards For Juvenile Facilities, Division 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter 5 of the California Code of Regulations (available online at https://www.cdfca.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/2018/12/FINAL-Juvenile-Title-15-Effective-2019-1-1.pdf)
- Menus and quantities prepared shall be based on National School Lunch Program, as provided by the California Department of Education School Meals Initiative (National School Lunch Program School Nutrition (CA Dept of Education) which requires, but is not limited to:

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- a) School meals must meet one-third of the Recommended Dietary Allowances (RDA) for protein, calcium, iron, vitamin A, vitamin C and specific levels of calories.
- b) Menus are to contain no more than 30 percent of calories from total fat and less than 10 percent of calories from saturated fat.
- c) Contractor must maintain menu, production and temperature records, which demonstrate that the required numbers of food components, food items or menu items are served each given day.
- d) Contractor must demonstrate that meals meet the nutrition standards for teens 13 to 18 years old when averaged over each week. Charts with the nutrition standards can be found in regulations Federal Code of Regulations, 7 CFR Section 210.10.
- e) Contractor must utilize industry recognized software to determine nutritional information for each meal and provide that information upon request.
- 6) Meals shall conform to the minimum standards for juvenile facilities contained in Sections Article 9 Subchapter 5 of Chapter 1 of Division 1 of Title 15 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR), (available online at (http://www.bscc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/Juvenile-Title-15-Effective-2019-1-1.pdf) effective January 1, 2019, and as amended, which include, but are not limited to:
 - a) CONTRACTOR shall base minimum diets upon the requirements found in the 2011 Dietary Reference Intakes of the Food and Nutrition Board, Institute of Medicine of the National Academies; the 2008 California Food Guide, and the 2020-2025 Dietary Guidelines for Americans.
 - b) CONTRACTOR shall provide medical or special diets as prescribed by a physician, as well as vegetarian or vegan diets and religious diets. These diets shall be planned, prepared, and served with the consultation of a registered dietitian.
 - c) Menus shall be approved by a registered dietitian before their use. Menus, as planned and including changes, shall be evaluated by a registered dietitian at least every six (6) months.
 - d) CONTRACTOR must be able to conform to nutritional requirements for youth based on gender and age as specified in the regulations noted above and any other requirements contained in those regulations.
 - e) Meals must conform to total daily caloric allowances that vary between 2500 and 3000 calories, limit total dietary fat to no more than 30 percent of total calories on a weekly basis, and reduced sodium amount.
- 7) All menu changes due to holidays or field trips must be requested of CONTRACTOR by COUNTY two (2) weeks in advance of such changes.
- 8) Should an issue arise with a specific menu item, upon written request by COUNTY, the CONTRACTOR shall change the menu and provide an alternative food as a substitute. All substitutions shall conform to the nutritional guidelines and minimum standards outlined in sections (4) through (6) above

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- 9) CONTRACTOR shall submit to the COUNTY's designated representative copies of menus of meals to be served during each one-month (four week) cycle at least five (5) days prior to the first day of the subsequent cycle. CONTRACTOR must be willing to negotiate any changes requested in menus by consulting nutritionist, physician, or JJC director. Menus may be subject to change to utilize surplus foods and in-season fruits and vegetables.
- 10) COUNTY shall have no obligation to pay for and CONTRACTOR shall assume liability and bear all damages, losses, costs, fees and expenses for meals and foodstuffs that do not meet nutritional requirements, are spoiled or unwholesome at time of delivery, or otherwise do not meet the requirements of this Agreement.
- 11) CONTRACTOR shall be fully licensed, bonded, and insured, and be able to provide proof and documentation of same.
- CONTRACTOR'S employees who deliver meals will have a criminal record check. The criminal record check shall be through one of the local law enforcement agencies and consist of a local law enforcement record check, a California Department of Motor Vehicle check, and a live scan submitted to the California Department of Justice (CDOJ). Prospective CONTRACTOR staff or volunteer may commence services only after the results of the live scan have been received by the CONTRACTOR from the CDOJ and the person is deemed as suitable for work with CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall make provisions for staff or volunteers to be live scanned and are responsible for any associated costs. Failure by CONTRACTOR to comply with the criminal records check requirements may result in withholding of invoice payments until compliant.
- assigns will **NOT** film, photograph and/or record any youth under the jurisdiction of the Santa Barbara County Juvenile Court and in custody at the Santa Maria Juvenile Justice Center (JJC) within or outside this facility, any youth out of custody but under the jurisdiction of the Santa Barbara County Juvenile Court, any personnel of the JJC, or the interior or exterior of the JJC, vehicles or equipment without the prior written consent of the County of Santa Barbara Probation Department. The CONTRACTOR will sign a Photo Restriction Notice.
- 14) CONTRACTOR and COUNTY agree that immaterial changes to the agreement including authorizing additional services, amending program staffing requirements, amending service locations, and adding program goals, outcomes, and measures and reallocation of funds between funding sources may be authorized by the Chief Probation Officer or designee in writing and will not constitute an amendment to this agreement.

 CONTRACTOR and COUNTY agree that line-item budget changes to Attachment B-1 of the Agreement in an amount not to exceed 10% of the stated line-item budgeted amounts for each service may be authorized by the Chief Probation Officer or designee in writing and will not constitute an amendment to this agreement.

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EXHIBIT B

PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS Periodic Compensation (with attached Schedule of Fees)

- A. For CONTRACTOR services to be rendered under this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall be paid a total contract amount, including cost reimbursements, not to exceed \$1,914,352.00 inclusive of \$104,160 under Purchase Contract No. CN8945, and any and all associated Change Order(s) cancelled, nullified, and superseded by this Agreement.
- B. Payment for services and/or reimbursement of costs shall be made upon CONTRACTOR's satisfactory performance, based upon the scope and methodology contained in **EXHIBIT A** as determined by COUNTY. Payment for services and/or reimbursement of costs shall be based upon the costs, expenses, overhead charges and hourly rates for personnel, as defined in **ATTACHMENT B-1** (Schedule of Fees). Invoices submitted for payment that are based upon **ATTACHMENT B-1** must contain sufficient detail to enable an audit of the charges and provide supporting documentation if so specified in **EXHIBIT A.**
- C. Monthly, CONTRACTOR shall submit to the COUNTY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE an invoice or certified claim on the County Treasury for the service performed over the period specified. These invoices or certified claims must cite the assigned Board Contract Number. COUNTY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE shall evaluate the quality of the service performed and if found to be satisfactory and within the cost basis of ATTACHMENT B-1 shall initiate payment processing. COUNTY shall pay invoices or claims for satisfactory work within 30 days of receipt of correct and complete invoices or claims from CONTRACTOR.
- D. 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.
- E. CONTRACTOR MONTHLY INVOICING REQUIREMENTS
 - 1. Invoice Format

Monthly invoices shall be in a COUNTY pre-approved format. The invoice shall list costs by staff position (including total hours by position) and operating expense and equipment costs consistent with the line items on the attached ATTACHMENT B-1. All costs claimed by CONTRACTOR for reimbursement by COUNTY shall be identified in the specific format required by COUNTY.

2. Invoice Linkage to ATTACHMENT B-1 Budget Positions

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Any invoiced costs for staff positions or equipment costs not listed in ATTACHMENT B-1 of this Agreement will not be reimbursed by the COUNTY unless approved in advance by the COUNTY.

3. Invoice Timely Submission

CONTRACTOR shall submit monthly invoices by the thirtieth of each subsequent month to the COUNTY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE (i.e. representative listed in paragraph 2, Notices, of the main body of this Agreement).

4. Invoice Signature

Invoices shall be signed and dated by an authorized CONTRACTOR's Designated Representative, as well as, identifying the name and title of the CONTRACTOR's Designated Representative preparing the invoice.

5. Copies of Payroll Ledgers, Timecards, and Group/Individual Sign-In Logs

Copies of payroll ledgers and timecards for the invoice service period for each CONTRACTOR's Designated Representative directly claimed on the invoice, as well as group/individual sign-in logs, shall be attached to the invoice. CONTRACTOR shall be notified if any invoice is missing copies of required payroll ledgers, timecards, and group/individual sign-in logs. IMPORTANT: Monthly invoices will not be considered valid until copies of all required payroll ledgers, timecards, and group/individual sign-in logs are received by the COUNTY.

6. Administrative/Overhead Costs

Allocated Administrative/Overhead costs shall not be reimbursable and shall not be claimed unless such costs are identified and budgeted in ATTACHMENT B-1 of this Agreement.

7. Administrative/Overhead Documentation

Annually, COUNTY may require the CONTRACTOR to submit written documentation to support the calculation of the set percentage and basis used to allocate administrative/overhead costs for the fiscal year in question, as well as, identifying all administrative/overhead costs by line item and by staff position for salaries.

8. Board of Directors List

To the first monthly invoice submitted under this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR shall attach a list of the CONTRACTOR's Board of Directors including addresses, phone numbers and titles of officers who are members of the Board. **IMPORTANT: No**

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invoice shall be considered valid until a copy of this list of the Board of Directors is received by the COUNTY.

F. OTHER FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. CPA Prepared Financial Audit Report

CONTRACTOR shall provide a copy of the most recent CONTRACTOR financial audit report and related management letter (prepared by a Certified Public Accountant) to the County along with the first monthly invoice under this Agreement and annually thereafter with the same calendar month invoice if this Agreement covers multiple years. The submission of the aforementioned audit report and management letter shall be a condition precedent for payment for each year covered by this Agreement.

2. Delivery of Service Commitment

CONTRACTOR is expected to deliver the level of services (by fiscal year) as specified on the attached ATTACHMENT B-1. CONTRACTOR understands and acknowledges that the failure to timely expend funds for any given fiscal year of this Agreement may jeopardize the ability to meet performance measures or legal requirements and may raise questions about the need for services and viability of providing funds for these services.

3. Fiscal Records

CONTRACTOR shall maintain adequate fiscal and project books, records, documents, and other evidence pertinent to the CONTRACTOR's performance of the Agreement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Adequate supporting documentation shall be maintained in such detail so as to permit tracing transactions from support documentation to the accounting record to the financial reports and billings. CONTRACTOR shall keep such records pursuant to this Agreement as would be kept by a reasonably prudent practitioner of CONTRACTOR's profession and as required by law and shall maintain such records for the greater of four (4) years following the termination of this Agreement or as otherwise stated by law and shall be subject to examination and audit by authorized State or COUNTY representatives at any time during CONTRACTOR's regular business hours upon reasonable notice.

4. Inspection of Records

CONTRACTOR shall make sure books, records, documents and other evidence is available to the COUNTY, or its Designated Representative, during the term of the Agreement or final audit, and for four (4) years after the termination of this

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Agreement or as otherwise required by law, whichever is later, and provide suitable facilities for access, monitoring, inspection, and copying thereof.

5. Access to Staff and Facilities

CONTRACTOR shall permit the COUNTY, or its Designated Representative, to have access to CONTRACTOR's staff and facilities wherever CONTRACTOR has been or is performing this Agreement and shall provide proper facilities for access, monitoring and inspection.

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ATTACHMENT B1

SCHEDULE OF FEES

CONTRACTOR and COUNTY have agreed to a tiered cost structure based on the number of meals ordered per day.

The following table shows the cost per meal.

Fiscal Year	Meal	# of Meals per Day	Cost per Meal
FY 24-25	Lunch	40-80	\$9.00
	Dinner	40-80	\$12.00
FY 25-26	Lunch	40-80	\$9.36
	Dinner	40-80	\$12.48
FY 26-27	Lunch	40-80	\$9.74
	Dinner	40-80	\$12.98

The cost per meals increases by approximately 4% in FY 25-26 and FY 26-27 to account for the increase in minimum wage.

The number of meals ordered per day varies based on population of the JJC; however, will remain within the established limits.

The calculation of the contract not to exceed amount assumes the maximum of 80 lunches and 80 dinners ordered daily.

Fiscal Year	Meal	Cost per	Est. # of	# of Meal	Cost
		meal	Meals per	Days in	
			day	Period	
FY 24-25	Lunch	\$9.00	80	365	\$262,800
	Dinner	\$12.00	80	365	\$350,400
FY 25-26	Lunch	\$9.36	80	365	\$273,312
	Dinner	\$12.48	80	365	\$364,416
FY 26-27	Lunch	\$9.74	80	365	\$284,408
	Dinner	\$12.98	80	365	\$379,016

Not To Exceed: \$1,914,352.00

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EXHIBIT C

Indemnification and Insurance Requirements (For Service Contracts Not Requiring Professional Liability Insurance)

<u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>

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.

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, its 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 \$2,000,000 per occurrence and \$4,000,000 in the aggregate.
 - 2. **Automobile Liability**: Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering, Code 1 (any auto), or if CONTRACTOR has no owned autos, Code 8 (hired) and 9 (non-owned), with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.

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3. Workers' Compensation: Insurance 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. (Not required if CONTRACTOR provides written verification that it has no employees)

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, CG 20 26, CG 20 33, or CG 20 38; 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

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- 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 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 CONTRACTOR shall furnish evidence of renewal of coverage throughout the term of the Agreement. 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. Maintenance of required insurance coverage is a material element of the Agreement and failure to maintain or renew such coverage or to provide evidence of renewal may be treated by COUNTY as a material breach of contract.
- Subcontractors CONTRACTOR shall require and verify that all subcontractors
 maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein, and CONTRACTOR
 shall ensure that COUNTY is an additional insured on insurance required from
 subcontractors.
- 10. **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.

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EXHIBIT D

HIPAA BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT (BAA)

This Business Associate Agreement ("BAA") supplements and is made a part of the Agreement between COUNTY (referred to herein as "Covered Entity") and CONTRACTOR (referred to herein as "Business Associate").

RECITALS

Covered Entity wishes to disclose certain information to Business Associate pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, some of which may constitute Protected Health Information ("PHI") (defined below).

Covered Entity and Business Associate intend to protect the privacy and provide for the security of PHI disclosed to Business Associate pursuant to the Agreement in compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191 ("HIPAA"), the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act, Public Law 111-005 ("HITECH Act"), and 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164, Subpart C (the "Security Rule"), Subpart D (the "Data Breach Notification Rule") and Subpart E (the "Privacy Rule") (collectively, the "HIPAA Regulations").

As part of the HIPAA Regulations, the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule (defined below) require Covered Entity to enter into a contract containing specific requirements with Business Associate prior to the disclosure of PHI, as set forth in, but not limited to, Title 45, Sections 164.314(a), 164.502(e) and 164.504(e) of the Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) and contained in this BAA.

In consideration of the mutual promises below and the exchange of information pursuant to this BAA, the parties agree as follows:

A. Definitions

- 1. **Breach** shall have the meaning given to such term under the HITECH Act [42 U.S.C. Section 17921].
- 2. **Business Associate** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule, and the HITECH Act, including but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. Section 17938 and 45 C.F.R. Section 160.103.
- 3. **Covered Entity** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 160.103.
- 4. **Data Aggregation** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.501.

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- 5. **Designated Record Set** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.501.
- 6. **Electronic Protected Health Information** means Protected Health Information that is maintained in or transmitted by electronic media.
- 7. **Electronic Health Record** shall have the meaning given to such term in the HITECH Act, including, but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. Section 17921.
- 8. **Health Care Operations** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.501.
- 9. **Privacy Rule** shall mean the HIPAA Regulation that is codified at 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164, Subparts A and E.
- 10. Protected Health Information or PHI means any information, whether oral or recorded in any form or medium: (i) that relates to the past, present or future physical or mental condition of an individual; the provision of health care to an individual; or the past, present or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual; and (ii) that identifies the individual or with respect to which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual, and shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.501. Protected Health Information includes Electronic Protected Health Information [45 C.F.R. Sections 160.103, 164.501].
- 11. **Protected Information** shall mean PHI provided by Covered Entity to Business Associate or created or received by Business Associate on Covered Entity's behalf.
- 12. **Security Rule** shall mean the HIPAA Regulation that is codified at 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164, Subparts A and C.
- 13. **Unsecured PHI** shall have the meaning given to such term under the HITECH Act and any guidance issued pursuant to such Act including, but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. Section 17932(h).

B. Obligations of Business Associate

1. **Permitted Uses.** Business Associate shall not use Protected Information except for the purpose of performing Business Associate's obligations under the Agreement and as permitted under the Agreement and this BAA. Further, Business Associate shall not use Protected Information in any manner that would constitute a violation of the Privacy Rule or the HITECH Act if so used by Covered Entity. However, Business Associate may use Protected Information (i) for the proper management and administration of Business Associate, (ii) to carry out the legal responsibilities of Business Associate, or (iii) for Data Aggregation purposes for the Health Care Operations of Covered Entity [45 C.F.R. Sections 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(A) and 164.504(e)(4)(i)].

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- 2. Permitted Disclosures. Business Associate shall not disclose Protected Information except for the purpose of performing Business Associate's obligations under the Agreement and as permitted under the Agreement and this BAA. Business Associate shall not disclose Protected Information in any manner that would constitute a violation of the Privacy Rule or the HITECH Act if so disclosed by Covered Entity. However, Business Associate may disclose Protected Information (i) for the proper management and administration of Business Associate; (ii) to carry out the legal responsibilities of Business Associate; (iii) as required by law; or (iv) for Data Aggregation purposes for the Health Care Operations of Covered Entity. If Business Associate discloses Protected Information to a third party, Business Associate must obtain, prior to making any such disclosure, (i) reasonable written assurances from such third party that such Protected Information will be held confidential as provided pursuant to this BAA and only disclosed as required by law or for the purposes for which it was disclosed to such third party, and (ii) a written agreement from such third party to immediately notify Business Associate of any breaches of confidentiality of the Protected Information, to the extent the third party has obtained knowledge of such breach [42 U.S.C. Section 17932; 45 Sections 164.504(e)(2)(i), 164.504(e)(2)(i)(B), 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(A) 164.504(e)(4)(ii)].
- 3. Prohibited Uses and Disclosures. Business Associate shall not use or disclose Protected Information for fundraising or marketing purposes. Business Associate shall not disclose Protected Information to a health plan for payment or health care operations purposes if the patient has requested this special restriction and has paid out of pocket in full for the health care item or service to which the PHI solely relates [42 U.S.C. Section 17935(a)]. Business Associate shall not directly or indirectly receive remuneration in exchange for Protected Information, except with the prior written consent of Covered Entity and as permitted by the HITECH Act, 42 U.S.C. section 17935(d)(2); however, this prohibition shall not affect payment by Covered Entity to Business Associate for services provided pursuant to the Agreement. Business Associate shall mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Business Associate of a use or disclosure of PHI by Business Associate in violation of this Agreement, the BAA, or the HIPAA Regulations.
- 4. **Appropriate Safeguards.** Business Associate shall implement appropriate safeguards as are necessary to prevent the use or disclosure of Protected Information otherwise than as permitted by the Agreement or this BAA, including, but not limited to, administrative, physical and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity and availability of the Protected Information, in accordance with 45 C.F.R. Sections 164.308, 164.310, and 164.312. [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(B); 45 C.F.R. Section 164.308(b)]. Business Associate shall comply with the policies and procedures and documentation requirements of the HIPAA Security Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.316 [42 U.S.C. Section 17931].

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- 5. **Reporting of Improper Access, Use or Disclosure.** Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity in writing of any access, use or disclosure of Protected Information not permitted by the Agreement and this BAA, and any Breach of Unsecured PHI, as required by the Data Breach Notification Rule, of which it becomes aware without unreasonable delay and in no case later than 60 calendar days after discovery [42 U.S.C. Section 17921; 45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(C); 45 C.F.R. Section 164.308(b)].
- 6. **Business Associate's Subcontractors and Agents.** Business Associate shall ensure that any agents and subcontractors to whom it provides Protected Information, agree in writing to the same restrictions and conditions that apply to Business Associate with respect to such PHI and implement the safeguards required by paragraph (c) above with respect to Electronic PHI [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(D); 45 C.F.R. Section 164.308(b)]. Business Associate shall implement and maintain sanctions against agents and subcontractors that violate such restrictions and conditions and shall mitigate the effects of any such violation (see 45 C.F.R. Sections 164.530(f) and 164.530(e)(1)).
- 7. Access to Protected Information. To the extent that the Covered Entity keeps a designated record set then Business Associate shall make Protected Information maintained by Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors in Designated Record Sets available to Covered Entity for inspection and copying within five (5) days of a request by Covered Entity to enable Covered Entity to fulfill its obligations under state law [Health and Safety Code Section 123110] and the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.524 [45 CF.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(E)]. If Business Associate maintains an Electronic Health Record, Business Associate shall provide such information in electronic format to enable Covered Entity to fulfill its obligations under the HITECH Act, including, but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. Section 17935(e).
- 8. Amendment of PHI for Business Associate who is Required to Maintain a Record Set. If Business Associate is required to maintain a designated record set on behalf of the Covered Entity the Business Associate shall within ten (10) days of receipt of a request from Covered Entity for an amendment of Protected Information or a record about an individual contained in a Designated Record Set, Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors shall make such Protected Information available to Covered Entity for amendment and incorporate any such amendment to enable Covered Entity to fulfill its obligations under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.526. If any individual requests an amendment of Protected Information directly from Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors, Business Associate must notify Covered Entity in writing within five (5) days of the request. Any approval or denial of amendment of Protected Information maintained by Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors shall be the responsibility of Covered Entity [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(F)].
- 9. **Accounting Rights.** Within ten (10) days of notice by Covered Entity of a request for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Information, Business Associate and its agents or subcontractors shall make available to Covered Entity the information required to provide an accounting of disclosures to enable Covered Entity to fulfill its obligations

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under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.528, and the HITECH Act, including but not limited to 42 U.S.C. Section 17935(c), as determined by Covered Entity. Business Associate agrees to implement a process that allows for an accounting to be collected and maintained by Business Associate and its agents or subcontractors for at least six (6) years prior to the request. However, accounting of disclosures from an Electronic Health Record for treatment, payment or health care operations purposes are required to be collected and maintained for only three (3) years prior to the request, and only to the extent that Business Associate maintains an electronic health record and is subject to this requirement. At a minimum, the information collected and maintained shall include: (i) the date of disclosure; (ii) the name of the entity or person who received Protected Information and, if known, the address of the entity or person; (iii) a brief description of Protected Information disclosed and (iv) a brief statement of purpose of the disclosure that reasonably informs the individual of the basis for the disclosure, or a copy of the individual's authorization, or a copy of the written request for disclosure. In the event that the request for an accounting is delivered directly to Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors, Business Associate shall within five (5) days of a request forward it to Covered Entity in writing. It shall be Covered Entity's responsibility to prepare and deliver any such accounting requested. Business Associate shall not disclose any Protected Information except as set forth in Sections B.2 of this BAA [45 C.F.R. Sections 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(G) and 165.528]. The provisions of this subparagraph shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

- 10. **Governmental Access to Records.** Business Associate shall make its internal practices, books and records relating to the use and disclosure of Protected Information available to Covered Entity and to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Secretary) for purposes of determining Business Associate's compliance with the Privacy Rule [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(H)]. Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity a copy of any Protected Information that Business Associate provides to the Secretary concurrently with providing such Protected Information to the Secretary.
- 11. **Minimum Necessary.** Business Associate (and its agents or subcontractors) shall request, use and disclose only the minimum amount of Protected Information necessary to accomplish the purpose of the request, use, or disclosure [42 U.S.C. Section 17935(b); 45 C.F.R. Section 164.514(d)(3)]. Business Associate understands and agrees that the definition of "minimum necessary" is in flux and shall keep itself informed of guidance issued by the Secretary with respect to what constitutes "minimum necessary."
- 12. **Data Ownership**. Business Associate acknowledges that Business Associate has no ownership rights with respect to the Protected Information.
- 13. **Business Associate's Insurance.** Business Associate represents and warrants that it purchases commercial insurance to cover its exposure for any claims, damages or losses arising as a result of a breach of the terms of this BAA.

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- 14. **Notification of Possible Breach.** During the term of the Agreement, Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity within twenty-four (24) hours of any suspected or actual breach of security, or any access, use or disclosure of Protected Information not permitted by the Agreement or this BAA or unauthorized use or disclosure of PHI of which Business Associate becomes aware and/or any actual or suspected use or disclosure of data in violation of any applicable federal or state laws or regulations. Business Associate shall take (i) prompt corrective action to cure any such deficiencies and (ii) any action pertaining to such unauthorized disclosure required by applicable federal and state laws and regulations. [42 U.S.C. Section 17921; 45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(C); 45 C.F.R. Section 164.308(b)]
- 15. Breach Pattern or Practice by Covered Entity. Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 17934(b), if the Business Associate knows of a pattern of activity or practice of the Covered Entity that constitutes a material breach or violation of the Covered Entity's obligations under the Agreement or this BAA or other arrangement, the Business Associate must take reasonable steps to cure the breach or end the violation. If the steps are unsuccessful, the Business Associate must terminate the Agreement or other arrangement if feasible, or if termination is not feasible, report the problem to the Secretary. Business Associate shall provide written notice to Covered Entity of any pattern of activity or practice of the Covered Entity that Business Associate believes constitutes a material breach or violation of the Covered Entity's obligations under the Agreement or this BAA or other arrangement within five (5) days of discovery and shall meet with Covered Entity to discuss and attempt to resolve the problem as one of the reasonable steps to cure the breach or end the violation.
- 16. Audits, Inspection and Enforcement. Within ten (10) days of a written request by Covered Entity, Business Associate and its agents or subcontractors shall allow Covered Entity to conduct a reasonable inspection of the facilities, systems, books, records, agreements, policies and procedures relating to the use or disclosure of Protected Information pursuant to this BAA for the purpose of determining whether Business Associate has complied with this BAA; provided, however, that (i) Business Associate and Covered Entity shall mutually agree in advance upon the scope, timing and location of such an inspection, (ii) Covered Entity shall protect the confidentiality of all confidential and proprietary information of Business Associate to which Covered Entity has access during the course of such inspection; and (iii) Covered Entity shall execute a nondisclosure agreement, upon terms mutually agreed upon by the parties, if requested by Business Associate. The fact that Covered Entity inspects, or fails to inspect, or has the right to inspect, Business Associate's facilities, systems, books, records, agreements, policies and procedures does not relieve Business Associate of its responsibility to comply with this BAA, nor does Covered Entity's (i) failure to detect or (ii) detection, but failure to notify Business Associate or require Business Associate's remediation of any unsatisfactory practices, constitute acceptance of such practice or a waiver of Covered Entity's enforcement rights under the Agreement or this BAA, Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity within ten (10) days of learning that

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Business Associate has become the subject of an audit, compliance review, or complaint investigation by the Office for Civil Rights.

C. Termination

- 1. **Material Breach.** A breach by Business Associate of any provision of this BAA, as determined by Covered Entity, shall constitute a material breach of the Agreement and shall provide grounds for immediate termination of the Agreement, any provision in the Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(iii)].
- 2. Judicial or Administrative Proceedings. Covered Entity may terminate the Agreement, effective immediately, if (i) Business Associate is named as a defendant in a criminal proceeding for a violation of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the HIPAA Regulations or other security or privacy laws or (ii) a finding or stipulation that the Business Associate has violated any standard or requirement of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the HIPAA Regulations or other security or privacy laws is made in any administrative or civil proceeding in which the party has been joined.
- 3. **Effect of Termination.** Upon termination of the Agreement for any reason, Business Associate shall, at the option of Covered Entity, return or destroy all Protected Information that Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors still maintain in any form, and shall retain no copies of such Protected Information. If return or destruction is not feasible, as determined by Covered Entity, Business Associate shall continue to extend the protections of Section B of this BAA to such information, and limit further use of such PHI to those purposes that make the return or destruction of such PHI infeasible. [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(ii)(2(I))]. If Covered Entity elects destruction of the PHI, Business Associate shall certify in writing to Covered Entity that such PHI has been destroyed.

D. Indemnification

If Business Associate fails to adhere to any of the privacy, confidentiality, and/or data security provisions set forth in this BAA or if there is a Breach of PHI in Business Associate's possession and, as a result, PHI or any other confidential information is unlawfully accessed, used or disclosed, Business Associate agrees to reimburse Covered Entity for any and all costs, direct or indirect, incurred by Covered Entity associated with any Breach notification obligations. Business Associate also agrees to pay for any and all fines and/or administrative penalties imposed for such unauthorized access, use or disclosure of confidential information or for delayed reporting if it fails to notify the Covered Entity of the Breach as required by this BAA.

E. Disclaimer

Covered Entity makes no warranty or representation that compliance by Business Associate with this BAA, HIPAA, the HITECH Act, or the HIPAA Regulations will be adequate or satisfactory for

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Business Associate's own purposes. Business Associate is solely responsible for all decisions made by Business Associate regarding the safeguarding of PHI.

F. Certification

To the extent that Covered Entity determines that such examination is necessary to comply with Covered Entity's legal obligations pursuant to HIPAA relating to certification of its security practices, Covered Entity or its authorized agents or contractors, may, at Covered Entity's expense, examine Business Associate's facilities, systems, procedures and records as may be necessary for such agents or contractors to certify to Covered Entity the extent to which Business Associate's security safeguards comply with HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the HIPAA Regulations or this BAA.

G. Amendment to Comply with Law

The parties acknowledge that state and federal laws relating to data security and privacy are rapidly evolving and that amendment of the Agreement or this BAA may be required to provide for procedures to ensure compliance with such developments. The parties specifically agree to take such action as is necessary to implement the standards and requirements of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule and other applicable laws relating to the security or confidentiality of PHI. The parties understand and agree that Covered Entity must receive satisfactory written assurance from Business Associate that Business Associate will adequately safeguard all Protected Information. Upon the request of either party, the other party agrees to promptly enter into negotiations concerning the terms of an amendment to this BAA embodying written assurances consistent with the standards and requirements of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule or other applicable laws. Covered Entity may terminate the Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice in the event (i) Business Associate does not promptly enter into negotiations to amend the Agreement or this BAA when requested by Covered Entity pursuant to this Section or (ii) Business Associate does not enter into an amendment to the Agreement or this BAA providing assurances regarding the safeguarding of PHI that Covered Entity, in its sole discretion, deems sufficient to satisfy the standards and requirements of applicable laws.

H. Assistance in Litigation of Administrative Proceedings

Business Associate shall make itself, and any subcontractors, employees or agents assisting Business Associate in the performance of its obligations under the Agreement or this BAA, available to Covered Entity, at no cost to Covered Entity, to testify as witnesses, or otherwise, in the event of litigation or administrative proceedings being commenced against Covered Entity, its directors, officers or employees based upon a claimed violation of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule, or other laws relating to security and privacy, except where Business Associate or its subcontractor, employee or agent is named adverse party.

I. No Third-Party Beneficiaries

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Nothing express or implied in the Agreement or this BAA is intended to confer, nor shall anything herein confer, upon any person other than Covered Entity, Business Associate and their respective successors or assigns, any rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities whatsoever.

J. Effect on Agreement

Except as specifically required to implement the purposes of this BAA, or to the extent inconsistent with this BAA, all other terms of the Agreement shall remain in force and effect.

K. Entire Agreement of the Parties

This BAA supersedes any and all prior and contemporaneous business associate agreements between the parties and constitutes the final and entire agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof. Covered Entity and Business Associate acknowledge that no representations, inducements, promises, or agreements, oral or otherwise, with respect to the subject matter hereof, have been made by either party, or by anyone acting on behalf of either party, which are not embodied herein. No other agreement, statement or promise, with respect to the subject matter hereof, not contained in this BAA shall be valid or binding.

L. Interpretation

The provisions of this BAA shall prevail over any provisions in the Agreement that may conflict or appear inconsistent with any provision in this BAA. This BAA and the Agreement shall be interpreted as broadly as necessary to implement and comply with HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule. The parties agree that any ambiguity in this BAA shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that complies and is consistent with HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule.

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Federal Clauses Exhibit E

THE CONTRACTOR AGREES TO:

1. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

During the performance of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR agrees as follows:

- A. CONTRACTOR will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. CONTRACTOR will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. CONTRACTOR agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- B. CONTRACTOR will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of CONTRACTOR, state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- C. CONTRACTOR will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of CONTRACTOR'S commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- D. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, entitled "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order 11375 of October 13, 1967, as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (41 CFR Part 60) and all other applicable rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor. Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) section 60.14 applies to this Agreement and is incorporated herein by this reference with the same force and effect as if the regulation were specifically set out herein and CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with said regulation.
- E. CONTRACTOR will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- F. In the event of CONTRACTOR'S noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this Agreement or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this Agreement may

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- be cancelled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and CONTRACTOR may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions as may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- G. CONTRACTOR will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (A) and the provisions of paragraphs (A) through (F) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. CONTRACTOR will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency CONTRACTOR may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

2. NONDISCRIMINATION (N/A to foreign and international organizations)

- A. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title 42 of the United States Code (USC) 6101 et seq., as codified at 45 CFR Part 91, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC 2000d et seq., as codified at 45 CFR Part 80, which provides that no person in the United States will, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.
- C. CONTRACTOR shall comply with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 USC 1681, 1682, 1683, 1685, and 1686, as codified at 45 CFR Part 86, which provides that no person in the United States will, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.
- D. In accordance with the Federal Department of Health and Human Services standard terms, CONTRACTOR agrees it shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, religion, or sex (including pregnancy, sexual orientation, and gender identity). CONTRACTOR shall not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, religion, or sex (including pregnancy, sexual orientation, and gender identity).

3. CLEAN AIR ACT [uniform guidance over \$150,000]

- A. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 USC § 7401 et seq.
- B. CONTRACTOR agrees to report each violation to the California Environmental Protection Agency and understands and agrees that the California Environmental

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- Protection Agency will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the COUNTY, the Federal Agency which provided funds in support of this Agreement, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- C. CONTRACTOR agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

4. FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT [uniform guidance over \$150,000]

- A. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 USC 1251 et seq.
- B. CONTRACTOR agrees to report each violation to the California State Water Resources Control Board and understands and agrees that the California State Water Resources Control Board will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the COUNTY, the Federal Agency which provided funds in support of this Agreement, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- C. CONTRACTOR agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

5. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

- A. 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.
- B. CONTRACTOR certifies that it and its employees and principals have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property; are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (A)(2) of this certification; and have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.
- C. This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by COUNTY. If it is later determined that CONTRACTOR did not comply with 2 CFR pt. 180, subpart C and 2 CFR pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services and COUNTY, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- D. This Agreement is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 CFR pt. 180 and 2 CFR pt. 3000. As such CONTRACTOR is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals (defined at 2 CFR § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 CFR § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 CFR § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 CFR § 180.935).

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- E. CONTRACTOR must comply with 2 CFR pt. 180, subpart C and 2 CFR pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- F. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 CFR pt. 180, subpart C and 2 CFR pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

6. LOBBYING RESTRICTIONS [For Contractors over \$100k include Section A and Exhibit]

- A. CONTRACTOR shall file the required certification attached as Exhibit F, Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreement (Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 USC § 1352 (As Amended), which is incorporated herein by this reference. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 USC § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.
- B. This Agreement is subject to restrictions on lobbying in accordance with the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117-103), signed into law on March 15, 2022, Division H, Title V, section 503. CONTRACTOR agrees:
 - i. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act or transferred pursuant to section 4002 of Public Law 111–148 shall be used, other than for normal and recognized executive legislative relationships, for publicity or propaganda purposes, for the preparation, distribution, or use of any kit, pamphlet, booklet, publication, electronic communication, radio, television, or video presentation designed to support or defeat the enactment of legislation before the Congress or any State or local legislature or legislative body, except in presentation to the Congress or any State or local legislature itself, or designed to support or defeat any proposed or pending regulation, administrative action, or order issued by the executive branch of any State or local government, except in presentation to the executive branch of any State or local government itself.
 - ii. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act or transferred pursuant to section 4002 of Public Law 111–148 shall be used to pay the salary or expenses of any grant or contract recipient, or agent acting for such recipient, related to any activity designed to influence the enactment of legislation, appropriations, regulation, administrative action, or Executive order proposed or pending before the Congress or any State government, State legislature or local legislature or legislative body, other than for normal and recognized executive-legislative 3 relationships or participation by an agency or officer of a State, local or tribal government in policymaking and administrative processes within the executive branch of that government.

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iii. The prohibitions in the above subsections shall include any activity to advocate or promote any proposed, pending or future Federal, State or local tax increase, or any proposed, pending, or future requirement or restriction on any legal consumer product, including its sale or marketing, including but not limited to the advocacy or promotion of gun control.

7. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

- A. In the performance of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA- designated items unless the product cannot be acquired—
 - Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
 - ii. Meeting contract performance requirements; or
 - iii. At a reasonable price.
- B. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designate items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program.

8. DOMESTIC PREFERENCES FOR PROCUREMENTS

- A. As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, the CONTRACTOR should, to the greatest extent practicable, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section must be included in all subcontractor agreements.
- B. For purposes of this section:
 - i. "Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
 - ii. "Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of nonferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

9. PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMM PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT

- A. CONTRACTOR is prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to:
 - i. Procure or obtain;
 - ii. Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or
 - iii. Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in Public Law 115-232, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
- B. For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video

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- surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
- C. Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.
- D. Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.
- E. In implementing the prohibition under Public Law 115-232, section 889, subsection (f), paragraph (1), heads of executive agencies administering loan, grant, or subsidy programs shall prioritize available funding and technical support to assist affected businesses, institutions and organizations as is reasonably necessary for those affected entities to transition from covered communications equipment and services, to procure replacement equipment and services, and to ensure that communications service to users and customers is sustained.
- F. See Public Law 115-232, section 889 for additional information.
- G. See also 2 CFR § 200.471.

10. USE OF FEDERAL AGENCY LOGOS

CONTRACTOR shall not use the seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of any Federal Agency without specific pre-approval.

11. MANDATORY DISCLOSURE

CONTRACTOR must disclose, in a timely manner, in writing to the COUNTY all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the award. CONTRACTOR is required to report certain civil, criminal, or administrative proceedings to the System for Award Management (SAM) located at www.sam.gov. Failure to make required disclosures can result in any of the remedies described in 2 CFR §200.338 Remedies for noncompliance, including suspension or debarment. (See also 2 CFR part 180 and 31 USC 3321.)

12. DRUG FREE WORPLACE

CONTRACTOR certifies that it will provide a drug-free workplace by:

A. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the

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person's, organization's, or recipient's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of the prohibition.

- B. Establishing an ongoing, drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:
 - i. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace
 - ii. The person's, organization's, or recipient's workplace policy of maintaining a drugfree workplace
 - iii. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs
 - iv. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace
- C. Requiring that each employee engaged in the performance of the contract be given a copy of the statement required by (1) above.
- D. Notifying the employee in the statement required by (1) above that, as a condition of employment under the contract, the employee will:
 - i. Abide by the terms of the statement
 - ii. Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction
- E. Notifying the COUNTY in writing, within 10 calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (4) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to the COUNTY.
- F. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (4), with respect to any employee who is so convicted:
 - Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended
 - ii. Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a federal, state, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency
- G. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (1)-(6) above.

CONTRACTOR will abide by all of the requirements of California Government Code Section 8355, and 2 CFR Part 182, as listed above.

13. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

This Agreement is subject to limitations on using funds to promote legalization of Controlled Substances in accordance with the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117-103), signed into law on March 15, 2022, Division H, Title V, section 509. CONTRACTOR agrees:

A. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for any activity that promotes the legalization of any drug or other substance included in schedule I of the schedules of controlled substances established under section 202 of the Controlled Substances

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- Act (21 USC § 812) except for normal and recognized executive-congressional communications.
- B. The limitation in subsection "A" shall not apply when there is significant medical evidence of a therapeutic advantage to the use of such drug or other substance or that federally sponsored clinical trials are being conducted to determine therapeutic advantage.

14. ACTIVITIES ABROAD

CONTRACTOR agrees any project activities in the performance of this Agreement that may be carried on outside the United States will be coordinated as necessary with appropriate government authorities and that appropriate licenses, permits, or approvals will be, or have been, obtained at no additional cost to the COUNTY.

15. PUBLIC HEALTH SECURITY AND BIOTERRORISM PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE ACT

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002, 42 USC 201 Note, which is designed to provide protection against misuse of select agents and toxins, whether inadvertent or the result of terrorist acts against the U.S. homeland, or other criminal acts (see 42 USC 262a). The act was implemented, in part, through regulations published by CDC at 42 CFR part 73, Select Agents and Toxins. Copies of these regulations are available from the Import Permit Program and the Select Agent Program, respectively, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, MS E-79, Atlanta, GA 30333; telephone: 404-498-2255. These regulations also are available at http://www.cdc.gov/od/ohs/biosfty/shipregs.htm.

16. REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973 (SECTION 504) (N/A to foreign and international organizations)

CONTRACTOR shall comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 USC 794, as amended, which provides that no otherwise qualified handicapped individual in the United States will, solely by reason of the handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance. These requirements pertain to the provision of benefits or services as well as to employment. The HHS implementing regulations are codified at 45 CFR parts 84 and 85.

17. RESTRICTION ON ABORTIONS

This Agreement is subject to restrictions on abortion in accordance with the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117-103), signed into law on March 15, 2022, Division H, Title V, sections 506 and 507. CONTRACTOR agrees:

- A. None of the funds appropriated in this Act, and none of the funds in any trust fund to which funds are appropriated in this Act, shall be expended for any abortion.
- B. None of the funds appropriated in this Act, and none of the funds in any trust fund to which funds are appropriated in this Act, shall be expended for health benefits coverage that includes coverage of abortion.
- C. The term "health benefits coverage" means the package of services covered by a managed care provider or organization pursuant to a contract or other arrangement.
- D. Exceptions to Restriction on Abortions (Section 507)

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- i. The limitations established in the preceding section shall not apply to an abortion (1) if the pregnancy is the result of an act of rape or incest; or (2) in the case where a woman suffers from a physical disorder, physical injury, or physical illness, including a life-endangering physical condition caused by or arising from the pregnancy itself, that would, as certified by a physician, place the woman in danger of death unless an abortion is performed.
- ii. Nothing in the preceding section shall be construed as prohibiting the expenditure by a State, locality, entity, or private person of State, local, or private funds (other than a State's or locality's contribution of Medicaid matching funds).
- iii. Nothing in the preceding section shall be construed as restricting the ability of any managed care provider from offering abortion coverage or the ability of a State or locality to contract separately with such a provider for such coverage with State funds (other than a State's or locality's contribution of Medicaid matching funds).
- iv. None of the funds made available in this Act may be made available to a Federal agency or program, or to a State or local government, if such agency, program, or government subjects any institutional or individual health care entity to discrimination on the basis that the health care entity does not provide, pay for, provide coverage of, or refer for abortions. In this subsection, the term "health care entity" includes an individual physician or other health care professional, a hospital, a provider-sponsored organization, a health maintenance organization, a health insurance plan, or any other kind of health care facility, organization, or plan.

18. RESTRICTION ON DISTRIBUTION OF STERILE NEEDLES

CONTRACTOR shall not use any funds provided under this Agreement to carry out any program of distributing sterile needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of any illegal drug. *Provided*, That such limitation does not apply to the use of funds for elements of a program other than making such purchases if the relevant State or local health department, in consultation with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, determines that the State or local jurisdiction, as applicable, is experiencing, or is at risk for, a significant increase in hepatitis infections or an HIV outbreak due to injection drug use, and such program is operating in accordance with State and local law.

19. UNIFORM RELOCATION ASSISTANCE AND REAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION POLICIES ACT

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (the Uniform Relocation Act), 42 USC 4601 et seq., which applies to all programs or projects undertaken by Federal agencies or with Federal financial assistance that cause the displacement of any person. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with the Uniform Relocation Act are set forth in 49 CFR part 24. Those regulations include uniform policies and procedures regarding treatment of displaced people.

20. U.S. FLAG AIR CARRIERS

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CONTRACTOR must comply with the requirement that U.S. flag air carriers be used by domestic recipients to the maximum extent possible when commercial air transportation is the means of travel between the United States and a foreign country or between foreign countries. This requirement must not be influenced by factors of cost, convenience, or personal travel preference. The cost of travel under a ticket issued by a U.S. flag air carrier that leases space on a foreign air carrier under a code-sharing agreement is allowable if the purchase is in accordance with GSA regulations on U.S. flag air carriers and code shares.

21. USA PATRIOT ACT

The CONTRACTOR shall comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act (USA PATRIOT Act) amends 18 USC 175–175c. Among other things, it prescribes criminal penalties for possession of any biological agent, toxin, or delivery system of a type or in a quantity that is not reasonably justified by a prophylactic, protective, bona fide research, or other peaceful purpose. The act also establishes restrictions on access to specified materials. "Restricted persons," as defined by the act, may not possess, ship, transport, or receive any biological agent or toxin that is listed as a select agent (see "Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act" in this subsection).

22. CAP ON SALARIES

CONTRACTOR agrees none of the funds provided under this Agreement shall be used to pay the salary of an individual at a rate in excess of Executive Level II of the Federal Executive Pay Scale. The Executive Level II salary is currently set at \$203,700, as of January 2022. *Note:* The salary rate limitation does not restrict the salary that an organization may pay an individual working under this Agreement; it merely limits the portion of that salary that may be paid with federal funds.

23. GUN CONTROL PROHIBITION

CONTRACTOR agrees none of the funds provided under this Agreement in whole or in part will be used to advocate or promote gun control.

24. BLOCKING ACCESS TO PORNOGRAPHY

CONTRACTOR agrees none of the funds provided under this Agreement may be used to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network blocks the viewing, downloading, and exchanging of pornography; Nothing in section shall limit the use of funds necessary for any federal, state, tribal, or local law enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out criminal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

25. <u>CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS AND REQUIREMENT TO INFORM EMPLOYEES OF WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS</u>

A. This Agreement and the employees working on this Agreement are be subject to the whistleblower rights and remedies in the pilot program on Contractor employee whistleblower protections established at 41 USC 4712 by section 828 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 (Pub. L. 112-239) and Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) § 3.908.

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- B. The CONTRACTOR shall inform its employees in writing, in the predominant language of the workforce, of employee whistleblower rights and protections under 41 USC 4712, as described in section 3.908 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.
- C. The CONTRACTOR shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), in all subcontracts over \$150,000.

26. INCREASING SEAT BELT USE IN THE UNITED STATES.

Pursuant to Executive Order 13043, 62 FR 19217 (April 18, 1997), CONTRACTOR should encourage its contractors to adopt and enforce on-the-job seat belt policies and programs for their employees when operating company-owned, rented or personally owned vehicles.

27. REDUCING TEXT MESSAGING WHILE DRIVING.

Pursuant to Executive Order 13513, 74 FR 51225 (Oct. 6, 2009), CONTRACTOR should encourage its employees, subrecipients, and contractors to adopt and enforce policies that ban text messaging while driving, and Subrecipient should establish workplace safety policies to decrease accidents caused by distracted drivers.

28. PUBLICATION REQUIREMENTS

CONTRACTOR agrees when issuing statements, press releases, publications, requests for proposal, bid solicitations and other documents --such as tool-kits, resource guides, websites, and presentations (hereafter "statements")--describing the projects or programs funded in whole or in part with U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) federal funds, the CONTRACTOR must include an acknowledgement of federal assistance using one of the following or a similar statement.

A. If the HHS Grant or Cooperative Agreement is NOT funded with other non-governmental sources:

This [project/publication/program/website, etc.] [is/was] supported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as part of a financial assistance award totaling \$XX with 100 percent funded by CDC/HHS. The contents are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily represent the official views of, nor an endorsement, by CDC/HHS, or the U.S. Government.

B. If the HHS Grant or Cooperative Agreement IS partially funded with other non-governmental sources:

This [project/publication/program/website, etc.] [is/was] supported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as part of a financial assistance award totaling \$XX with XX percentage funded by CDC/HHS and \$XX amount and XX percentage funded by nongovernment source(s). The contents are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily represent the official views of, nor an endorsement, by CDC/HHS, or the U.S. Government.

29. MEDICARE AND MEDICAID ANTI-KICKBACK

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This Agreement is subject to the Medicare and Medicaid anti-kickback statute (42 USC § 1320a-7b(b).) CONRACTOR understands there is a risk of criminal and administrative liability under this statute, specifically under 42 USC § 1320a-7b(b) Illegal remunerations. This subsection states, in part, that whoever knowingly and willfully solicits or receives any remuneration (including any kickback, bribe, or rebate) directly or indirectly, overtly or covertly, in cash or in kind—

- A. In return for referring an individual to a person for the furnishing or arranging for the furnishing of any item or service for which payment may be made in whole or in part under a federal health care program; or
- B. In return for purchasing, leasing, ordering, or arranging for or recommending purchasing, leasing, or ordering any good, facility, service, or item for which payment may be made in whole or in part under a federal health care program—

Shall be guilty of a felony and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than \$100,000 or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both.

30. TRAFFICKING VICTIMS PROTECTION ACT

This Agreement is subject to the requirements of § 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, as amended. (22 USC § 7104.) CONRACTOR agrees that it and its employees that participate in this Agreement may not—

- A. Engage in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that this Agreement is in effect;
- B. Procure a commercial sex act during the period of time that this Agreement is in effect; or
- C. Use forced labor in the performance of this Agreement.

31. PROHIBITION OF CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS

This Agreement is subject to prohibitions on Confidentiality Agreements in accordance with the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117-103), signed into law on March 15, 2022, Division E, Title VII, section 742. CONTRACTOR agrees:

- A. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this or any other Act may be available for a contract, grant, or cooperative agreement with an entity that requires employees or contractors of such entity seeking to report fraud, waste, or abuse to sign internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or contractors from lawfully reporting such waste, fraud, or abuse to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or
- B. agency authorized to receive such information.
- C. The limitation in subsection "A" shall not contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312, Form 4414, or any other form issued by a Federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information.

32. HIPAA (all covered entities)

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the "Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information" (the Privacy Rule) implement the Health Insurance Portability and

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Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996, 42 USC 1320d *et seq.*, which governs the protection of individually identifiable health information. The Privacy Rule is administered and enforced by HHS's OCR and is codified at 45 CFR parts 160 and 164. Not all HHS recipients are subject to the Privacy Rule. The Privacy Rule applies only to "covered entities," as defined by the rule, which include health plans and most health-care providers.

The OCR Web site (http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/hipaa) provides information on the Privacy Rule, including the complete text of the regulation and a set of decision tools for determining whether a particular entity is subject to the rule. An educational booklet, *Protecting Health Information in Research: Understanding the HIPAA Privacy Rule*, is available through OCR's Web site and at

<u>http://privacyruleandresearch.nih.gov/</u>. That Web site also includes other educational materials approved by OCR and the HHS Office of the General Counsel.

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EXHIBIT F

CERTIFICATION FOR CONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOANS, AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

(Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. § 1352 (As Amended))

The undersigned CONTRACTOR certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge, that:

- 1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- 2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form- LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- 3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

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CONTRACTOR certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, CONTRACTOR understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq., apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

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