FOR SERVICES OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

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THIS AGREEMENT (hereafter Agreement) is made by and between the County of Santa Barbara, a political subdivision of the State of California (hereafter County) and Nancy Sterlin, MFT with an address at P.O. Box 21723, Santa Barbara, CA(hereafter Contractor) wherein Contractor agrees to provide and County agrees to accept the services specified herein.

WHEREAS, County executed effective 7/1/2013 Purchase Agreement CN15587 with Contractor in the amount of \$100,000 for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. During the term of that Purchase Agreement, County anticipates that Contractor will provide, at the request of County, a greater number of services than originally contemplated by the Purchase Agreement, and will incur total expenses beyond the value of the Purchase Agreement and in excess of \$100,000. This Agreement, which provides additional funding in the amount of \$30,000 in addition to the \$100,000 provided by that Purchase Agreement, is made to cancel, nullify, and supersede Purchase Agreement CN15587, and provides a total of \$130000 for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

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

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

1. **DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE**

Deputy Director – Clinical Operations at phone number 805-681-5220 is the representative of County and will administer this Agreement for and on behalf of County. Nancy Sterlin at phone number 8055705268 is the authorized representative for Contractor. Changes in designated representatives shall be made only after advance written notice to the other party.

2. **NOTICES**

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

To County: Director

Santa Barbara County

Alcohol, Drug, and Mental Health Services

300 N. San Antonio Rd, Bldg. 3 Santa Barbara, CA 93110

Fax: 805-681-5222

To Contractor: Nancy Sterlin, MFT

P.O. Box 21723

Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Fax: 8059625764

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.

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 7/1/2013 and end performance upon completion, but no later than 6/30/2014 unless otherwise directed by County or unless earlier terminated.

5. **COMPENSATION OF Contractor**

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

6. **INDEPENDENT Contractor**

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

7. STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE

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

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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. County retains the right to waive a conflict of interest disclosed by Contractor if County determines it to be immaterial, and such waiver is only effective if provided by County to Contractor in writing.

11. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

County shall be the owner of the following items incidental to this Agreement upon production, whether or not completed: all data collected, all documents of any type whatsoever, all photos, designs, sound or audiovisual recordings, software code, inventions, technologies, and other materials, and any material necessary for the practical use of such items, from the time of collection and/or production whether or not performance under this Agreement is completed or terminated prior to completion. Contractor shall not release any of such items to other parties except after prior written approval of County. Contractor shall be the legal owner and Custodian of Records for all County client files generated pursuant to this Agreement, and shall comply with all Federal and State confidentiality laws, including Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) §5328; 42 United States Code (U.S.C.) §290dd-2; and 45 CFR, Parts 160 – 164 setting forth the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, and agents of the confidentiality provision of said laws. Contractor further agrees to provide County with copies of all County client file

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documents resulting from this Agreement without requiring any further written release of information. Within HIPAA guidelines, County shall have the unrestricted authority to publish, disclose, distribute, and/or otherwise use in whole or in part, any reports, data, documents or other materials prepared under this Agreement.

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

12. NO PUBLICITY OR ENDORSEMENT

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

13. **COMMUNICATION.**

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

14. COUNTY PROPERTY AND INFORMATION

All of County's property, documents, and information provided for Contractor's use in connection with the services shall remain County's property, and Contractor shall 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.

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15. RECORDS, AUDIT, AND REVIEW

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

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

16. INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

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

17. NONDISCRIMINATION

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

18. NONEXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT

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

19. **NON-ASSIGNMENT**

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

20. **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.
 - 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.

- a. The parties acknowledge and agree that this Agreement is dependent upon the availability of County, State, and/or federal funding. If funding to make payments in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement is not forthcoming from the County, State and/or federal governments for the Agreement, or is not allocated or allotted to County by the County, State and/or federal governments for this Agreement for periodic payment in the current or any future fiscal period, then the obligations of County to make payments after the effective date of such non-allocation or non-funding, as provided in the notice, will cease and terminate.
- b. As permitted by applicable State and Federal laws regarding funding sources, if funding to make payments in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement is delayed or is reduced from the County, State, and/or federal governments for the Agreement, or is not allocated or allotted in full to County by the County, State, and/or federal governments for this Agreement for periodic payment in the current or any future fiscal period, then the obligations of County to make payments will be delayed or be reduced accordingly or County shall have the right to terminate the Agreement as provided in this Agreement. If such funding is reduced, County in its sole discretion shall determine which aspects of the Agreement shall proceed and which Services shall be performed. In these situations, County will pay Contractor for Services and Deliverables and certain of its costs. Any obligation to pay by County will not extend beyond the end of County's then-current funding period.
- c. Contractor expressly agrees that no penalty or damages shall be applied to, or shall accrue to, County in the event that the necessary funding to pay under the terms of this Agreement is not available, not allocated, not allotted, delayed or reduced.
- 3. For Cause. Should Contractor default in the performance of this Agreement or materially breach any of its provisions, County may, at County's sole option, terminate or suspend this Agreement in whole or in part by written notice. Upon receipt of notice, Contractor shall immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise) and notify County as to the status of its performance. The date of termination shall be the date the notice is received by Contractor, unless the notice directs otherwise.
- B. <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 due hereunder less payments, if any, previously made. In no event shall Contractor be paid an amount in excess of the full price under this Agreement nor for profit on unperformed portions of service. Contractor shall furnish to County such financial information as in the judgment of County is necessary to determine the reasonable value of the services rendered by Contractor. In the event of a dispute as to the reasonable value of the services rendered by Contractor, the decision of County shall be final. The foregoing is cumulative and shall not affect any right or remedy which County may have in law or equity.

21. **SECTION HEADINGS**

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

22. **SEVERABILITY**

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

23. REMEDIES NOT EXCLUSIVE

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

24. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE

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

25. **NO WAIVER OF DEFAULT**

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

26. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENT

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

27. **SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**

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

28. **COMPLIANCE WITH LAW**

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

29. CALIFORNIA LAW AND JURISDICTION

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

30. **EXECUTION OF COUNTERPARTS**

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

31. **AUTHORITY**

All signatories and parties to this Agreement warrant and represent that they have the power and authority to enter into this Agreement in the names, titles and capacities herein stated and on behalf of any entities, persons, or firms represented or purported to be represented by such entity(ies), person(s), or firm(s) and that all formal requirements necessary or required by any state and/or federal law in order to enter into this Agreement have been fully complied with. Furthermore, by entering into this Agreement, Contractor hereby warrants that it shall not have

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breached the terms or conditions of any other contract or agreement to which Contractor is obligated, which breach would have a material effect hereon.

32. SURVIVAL

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

33. PRECEDENCE

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

34. **COMPLIANCE WITH HIPAA.**

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

35. **COURT APPEARANCES.**

Upon request, Contractor shall cooperate with County in making available necessary witnesses for court hearings and trials, including Contractor's staff that have provided treatment to a client referred by County who is the subject of a court proceeding. County shall issue Subpoenas for the required witnesses upon request of Contractor.

36. PRIOR AGREEMENTS.

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

THIS AGREEMENT INCLUDES:

- A. EXHIBIT A Statement of Work
- B. ATTACHMENT A-1 Documentation Standards for Client Records
- C. EXHIBIT B Financial Provisions
- D. EXHIBIT B-1 Schedule of Rates and Contract Maximum
- E. EXHIBIT C Standard Indemnification and Insurance Provisions

Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor between the County of Santa Barbara and Nancy Sterlin, MFT.

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

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

	By: STEVE LAVAGNINO CHAIR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Date:
ATTEST: MONA MIYASATO, COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER CLERK OF THE BOARD	CONTRACTOR NANCY STERLIN, MFT
By: Deputy Date:	By: Tax Id No . Date:
APPROVED AS TO FORM: MICHAEL C. GHIZZONI COUNTY COUNSEL	APPROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM ROBERT W. GEIS, CPA AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
By Deputy County Counsel Date:	By Deputy Date:
APPROVED AS TO FORM : ALCOHOL, DRUG, AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES TAKASHI WADA, MD, MPH INTERIM DIRECTOR	APPROVED AS TO INSURANCE FORM: RAY AROMATORIO RISK MANAGER
By Director	By:
Date:	Date:

EXHIBIT A

STATEMENT OF WORK

FOR

ALCOHOL, DRUG, AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (ADMHS)

NETWORK PROVIDER

1. STANDARDS.

- A. Contractor will accept clients referred by County, for services within the scope of Contractor's practice and will provide services which are ethical, effective, legal and within professional standards of practice. If Contractor believes a client is inappropriate for Contractor's service, Contractor shall promptly notify County's Point of Authorization (POA) (see Exhibit A, Section 2). Contractor may refuse to provide services to such clients.
- B. **Contractor** shall make initial contact with an accepted referred client within 72 hours of the referral.
- C. Contractor shall cooperate with County POA to provide services within the scope of this Agreement.
- D. Contractor warrants that during the term of this Agreement, Contractor is and will remain licensed/registered to practice in (and is in compliance with all licensing provisions of) the State of California. Contractor warrants that any accreditation and licensing information furnished to County (Alcohol, Drug, and Mental Health Services Department) is complete and accurate, and agrees to notify County promptly of any change in this information.
- E. Contractor agrees to maintain safe facilities, and store and dispense medications in compliance with all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations, as per Title 9 California Code of Regulations (CCR), Chapter 11, Section 1810.435 (b)(2)&(3).
- **2. POINT OF AUTHORIZATION.** Services for mental health programs shall be authorized by the Points of Authorization (POA) as follows:

PROGRAM	POINT OF AUTHORIZATION		
Mental Health Plan (MHP)/ACCESS	Quality Assurance/Utilization Review (QA/UR)		
Children's System of Care	QA/UR		
Child Welfare Services (CWS)	QA/UR		
CalWORKs	CalWORKs Social Worker		

- 3. **SERVICE DEFINITIONS.** Contractor shall provide the following services, as defined in Title 9, California Code of Regulations (CCR), to Santa Barbara County clients in the amount, scope and duration expressly authorized in advance by the appropriate POA:
 - A. **Assessment.** Assessment is designed to evaluate the current status of a client's mental, emotional or behavioral health. Assessment includes, but is not limited to, one or more of the following: mental status determination, analysis of the client's clinical history; analysis of relevant cultural issues and history; diagnosis; and use of testing procedures, as defined in Title 9 CCR Section 1810.204. (May only be provided by a staff qualified as a Licensed Practitioner of the Healing Arts (LPHA). Individuals with the following license(s) are LPHAs: psychiatrists, psychologists, licensed clinical social workers (LCSW), marriage and family therapists (MFT), Registered Nurse (RN), Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) or Psychiatric Technician.)
 - B. Collateral. Collateral services are delivered to a client's significant support person(s) for the purpose of meeting the needs of the client and achieving the goals of the Client Service Plan, as defined in Title 9 CCR Section 1810.206. A significant support person is a person who has or could have a significant role in the successful outcome of treatment, including but not limited to parents of a client, legal guardians or representatives of a client, a person living in the same household as the client, the client's spouse, and the relatives of the client. Collateral may include, but is not limited to, family counseling with the significant support person(s), consultation and training of the significant support person(s) to assist in better utilization of specialty mental health services by the client, and consultation and training of the significant support person(s) to assist in better understanding of mental illness. The client need not be present for this service activity. Consultation with other service providers is not considered a Collateral service.
 - C. Mental Health Therapy. Therapy is a service activity that is a therapeutic intervention that focuses primarily on symptom reduction as a means to improve functional impairments, as defined in Title 9 CCR Section 1810.250. Therapy may be delivered to an individual and may include family therapy at which the client is present. (May only be provided by a staff qualified as an LPHA.)
 - D. Rehabilitation/Behavioral Intervention/Alcohol and Drug Counseling (as authorized). This service activity may include any or all of the following: assisting the individual and/or the individual with the family when the service is focused on the needs of the identified client; developing skills that address and/or decrease symptoms of mental illness or functional impairments.
 - E. **Medication Support Services.** Medication support services are services that include prescribing, administering, dispensing and monitoring psychiatric medications or biologicals that are necessary to alleviate the symptoms of mental illness. Service activities include but are not limited to, evaluation of the need for medication; evaluation of clinical effectiveness and side effects; the obtaining of informed consent; instruction in the use, risks and benefits of and alternatives for medication; and collateral and plan development related to the delivery of the service and/or assessment of the client, as defined in Title 9 CCR Section 1810.225. These services may only be provided by a licensed medical professional as defined in Title 9 CCR, Section 1840.346.
 - F. Case Management. Case management services are services that assist a beneficiary to access needed medical, educational, social, prevocational, vocational, rehabilitative, or other community services. The service activities may include, but are not limited to,

communication, coordination, and referral; monitoring service delivery to ensure beneficiary access to service and the service delivery system; monitoring of the beneficiary's progress; placement services; and plan development, as defined in Title 9 CCR Section 1810.249. Case management services shall be provided only as authorized in advance by QA/UR.

G. Placement Assessment (as applicable). Evaluation of placement needs for adolescents and children.

4. CREDENTIALS.

- A. Contractor must obtain and provide proof of the following certifications, as applicable. Contractor must provide a current copy of all certifications to County's QA/UR in order to provide services under this Agreement.
 - 1. Contractor's and/or Employee licensing documentation;
 - 2. Accreditation Certificate, if accredited;
 - 3. Contractor's Code of Conduct;
 - 4. Contractor's Confidentiality Policy;
 - 5. Drug Enforcement Agency Certification (M.D. and D.O.)
- B. Contractors providing services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries shall keep fully informed of all current Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal Policy Letters, including, but not limited to, procedures for maintaining Medi-Cal certification of all its facilities. Contractor agrees to comply with Medi-Cal requirements and be approved to provide Medi-Cal services based on Medi-Cal site certification.

5. SERVICE AUTHORIZATION.

- A. Contractor agrees to perform services in accordance with the Provider Network Service Authorization (PNSA). Contractor understands it is only authorized to perform services referred to in the PNSA.
- B. Upon completion of services performed, Contractor is required to refer the client back to the POA as described in this Exhibit A, Section 2. Services must be provided within the time limitations for delivery and duration as specified on individual PNSA forms.
- C. Medi-Cal eligibility must be maintained for Mental Health Plan clients for service authorization to remain valid.
- D. Service should be short-term, brief therapy designed to alleviate or resolve an emerging and/or acute mental health issue. Services should not be long-term in nature. Clients with long-term intensive needs should be referred to the ADMHS mental health clinics or other appropriate services.

6. NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.

A. Contractor shall notify County immediately in the event of any suspected or actual misappropriation of funds under Contractor's control; known serious complaints against

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licensed staff; restrictions in practice or license as stipulated by the State Bureau of Medical Quality Assurance, Community Care Licensing Division of the Department of Social Services of the State, or other State agency; staff privileges restricted at a hospital; legal suits initiated specific to the Contractor's practice; initiation of criminal investigation of the Contractor; or other action instituted which affects Contractor's license or practice (for example, sexual harassment accusations). "Immediately" means as soon as possible but in no event more than twenty-four (24) hours after the event. Contractor shall train all personnel in the use of the ADMHS Compliance Hotline.

- B. Contractor shall notify the County POA immediately in the event of any of the following client indices: suicidal risk factors, homicidal risk factors, assaultive risk factors, medication side effect complaints or observations, behavioral symptoms presenting possible health problems, or any behavioral symptom that may compromise the appropriateness of the service.
- 7. CONFIDENTIALITY. Contractor agrees to maintain the confidentiality of patient records pursuant to 45 CFR §205.50 (requires authorization from patient, patient representative, or a judge signed court order if patient authorization unavailable, prior to any release of information related to patient's medical data including psychiatric treatment records), Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 5328 and Section 5330. Patient records must comply with all appropriate State and Federal requirements.

Contractor agrees to implement and maintain an Oath of Confidentiality statement for each of staff member working with County clients. Said policy will be described in Contractor's Policy and Procedure Manual.

- **8. PERIODIC REVIEW.** Periodic review meetings between Contractor's staff and County's staff shall be held on fiscal and overall performance activity. QA/UR staff, and/or the Program Managers or their designees shall conduct periodic on-site reviews of Contractor's patient charting.
- 9. UTILIZATION REVIEW. Contractor agrees to abide by County Quality Management standards and cooperate with the County's utilization review process which ensures medical necessity, appropriateness and quality of care. This review also includes clinical record review, Client survey, and other utilization review program monitoring practices. Contractor will cooperate with these programs, and will furnish necessary assessment, treatment plan and progress note information, subject to Federal or State confidentiality laws, and provisions of this Agreement.

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Documentation Standards For Client Records

- 1. Assessments. The following areas will be included, as appropriate, as a part of a comprehensive client record:
 - A. Relevant physical health conditions reported by the client will be prominently identified and updated as appropriate.
 - B. Health status will be documented, for example: living situation, daily activities, social presenting problems and relevant conditions affecting the client's physical health and mental health support.
 - C. Documentation will describe client strengths in achieving client plan goals.
 - D. Special status situations that present a risk to client or others will be prominently documented and updated as appropriate.
 - E. Documentation will include medications that have been prescribed by Mental Health Plan physicians, dosages of each medication, dates of initial prescriptions and refills, and documentation of informed consent for medications.
 - F. Client self-report of allergies and adverse reactions to medications, or lack of known allergies/sensitivities will be clearly documented.
 - G. A mental health history will be documented, including: previous treatment dates, providers, therapeutic interventions and responses, sources of clinical data, relevant family information and relevant results of relevant lab tests and consultation reports.
 - H. For children and adolescents, pre-natal and perinatal events and developmental history will be documented.
 - I. Documentation will include past and present use of tobacco, alcohol, and caffeine, as well as illicit, prescribed and over-the-counter drugs.
 - J. A relevant mental status examination will be documented.
 - K. A five axis diagnosis from the most current DSM, or a diagnosis from the most current ICD, will be documented, consistent with the presenting problems, history, mental status evaluation and/or other assessment data.
 - L. Assessments must be submitted with the claim for assessment payment.
- 2. Consent to Treat. Consent to treat and all necessary HIPAA compliant Releases of Information shall be included in the client record.
- Progress Notes and Billing Records. Services must meet the following criteria, as specified in the Mental Health Plan Agreement with the California Department of Health Care Services
 - A. All service entries will include the date services were provided. Progress notes will be completed for every service contact.
 - B. The client record will contain timely documentation of care. Services delivered will be

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- recorded in the client record as expeditiously as possible, but no later than 72 hours after service delivery.
- C. Contractor will document client encounters and relevant aspects of client care, including relevant clinical decisions and interventions, in the client record.
- D. All entries will include the exact number of minutes of service provided and the type of service; the reason for the service; the corresponding client plan goal; client progress towards specified goals; client's participation in treatment; the clinical intervention provided; the signature of the person providing the service (or electronic equivalent); the person's professional degree, licensure or job title; and the relevant identification number.
- E. The client record will be legible.
- F. The client record will document referrals to community resources and other agencies, when appropriate.
- G. The client record will document follow-up care or, as appropriate, a discharge summary.
- 4. Medical Necessity Attestations. Medical necessity attestations must be completed in full and submitted with the request for authorization of service.

EXHIBIT B

PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Periodic Compensation (with attached Schedule of Fees)

1. PAYMENT FOR SERVICES.

- A. <u>Performance of Services</u>. For Contractor's services to be rendered under this Agreement, Contractor shall be paid at the rate(s) specified in the Schedule of Fees (Exhibit B-1), with a maximum contract amount not to exceed \$130000 for services authorized in accordance with the requirements described in Exhibit A.
- B. <u>Medi-Cal Services</u>. The services provided by Contractor described in Exhibit A are covered by the Medi-Cal Program and will be reimbursed by County from Federal Financial Participation (FFP) and State and local funds unless otherwise specified in Exhibit B-1.
- C. Non-Medi-Cal Services. County recognizes that some of the services provided by Contractor's Program, described in Exhibit A, may not be reimbursable by Medi-Cal, or may be provided to individuals who are not Medi-Cal eligible, and such services may be reimbursed by other County, State, and Federal funds only to the extent specified in Exhibit B-1 for CalWORKs services or only to the extent specified in the QA authorization for any other non-Medi-Cal services. Funds for these services are included within the maximum contract amount, and are subject to the same requirements as funds for services provided pursuant to the Medi-Cal program.
- D. Mental Health Plan Clients. County is to be considered payor of last resort. For all services rendered, reimbursement to Contractor shall be based on the negotiated rate (see Exhibit B-1), less third party payor and patient share of cost. To the extent that such coverage is available, County's payment obligation pursuant to Exhibit B-1 shall be reduced against the cost in full of services provided. Proof of exhaustion of benefits pertaining to psychiatric care is to accompany all claims.
- E. <u>Rates.</u> Reimbursement for services covered under this Agreement will be on a per minute basis, as depicted in Exhibit B-1. Reimbursement for professional services of LPHAs include services provided by individuals with the following license(s) psychiatrists, psychologists, licensed clinical social workers (LCSW), marriage and family therapists (MFT), Registered Nurse (RN), Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) or Psychiatric Technician.
- 2. **PROPER CLAIM**. Claims submitted for payment that are based upon Exhibit B-1 must contain sufficient detail to enable an audit of the charges and provide supporting documentation.
 - A. Claims submitted for payment must cite the assigned Board Contract Number and the following information for each client, based on the Provider's Service Record:
 - 1. Hours of service claimed for the specified period.
 - 2. Authorized hours of service remaining.
 - 3. Any continued services by Contractor, beyond the PNSA, shall not be reimbursable by County or the client, unless authorized by County's POA with another PNSA *prior to* the services being performed. Hours of service claimed for the specified period.

B. County shall evaluate the quality of the service performed and if found to be satisfactory, in compliance with Exhibit A, and within the cost basis of Exhibit B-1, shall initiate payment processing. Payments to Contractor will be made within 30 days of approval of a completed claim.

3. CLAIM SUBMISSION:

<u>Pre-authorized Outpatient Services.</u> Within 30 days of the end of the month in which services were provided, Contractor shall submit a Universal Provider Invoice or a HCFA form (hereafter "claim") to QA/UR for the services performed over the period specified.

A. Claims for CalWORKs Services. Contractor shall submit claims for CalWORKs services to:

Electronically to: adpfinance@co.santa-barbara.ca.us

With a hard copy to:

Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services ATTN: CalWORKs Claims Processing 300 North San Antonio Road, Bldg 3 Santa Barbara, CA 93110

B. Claims for all other Services. Contractor shall submit claims for all other services to:

Alcohol, Drug, and Mental Health Services Quality Assurance/Utilization Review 315 Camino Del Remedio, #257 Santa Barbara, CA 93110 Attention: Claims (805) 681-5113

4. CLAIMS SUBMISSION RESTRICTIONS.

- A. No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/ Termination of Agreement. Contractor shall have no claim against County for payment of any funds or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Agreement. Should Contractor receive any such payment, it shall immediately notify County and shall immediately repay all such funds to County. Payment by County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of County's right to recover such payment from Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Agreement.
- B. <u>Claim Certification</u>. Contractor must certify that the hours billed were for services provided to the named client, as identified by the case number.
- C. Contractor shall be responsible for completion of all claims for payment in their entirety. Missing claim information may be grounds for delay or denial of payment. Contractor agrees that it shall be solely liable and responsible for all data and information submitted by the County to the State on behalf of Contractor. County will not guarantee payment of any claims submitted after 90 days of the end of the month in which services were provided.

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- D. <u>Withholding Of Payment for Unsatisfactory Clinical Documentation</u>. Director or designee shall have the option to deny payment for services when documentation of clinical services does not meet minimum State and County written standards.
- E. 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.

5. AUDITS, AUDIT APPEALS AND POST-AUDIT SHORT-DOYLE/MEDI-CAL FINAL SETTLEMENT.

- A. <u>Audit by Responsible Auditing Party</u>. At any time during the term of this Agreement or after the expiration or termination of this Agreement, in accordance with State and federal law including but not limited to the WIC Sections 14170 et. seq., authorized representatives from the County, State or Federal governments (Responsible Auditing Party) may conduct an audit or site review of Contractor regarding the mental health services/activities provided hereunder.
- B. <u>Settlement</u>. Settlement of the audit findings will be conducted according to the Responsible Auditing Party's procedures in place. In the case of a State SD/MC audit, the State and County will perform a post-audit SD/MC settlement that is based on State audit findings. Such settlement will take place when the State initiates its settlement action which customarily is after the issuance of the audit report by the State and before the State's audit appeal process. However, if the Responsible Auditing Party stays its collection of any amounts due or payable because of the audit findings, County will also stay its settlement of the same amounts due or payable until the Responsible Auditing Party initiates its settlement action with County.
- C. <u>Invoice for Amounts Due</u>. County shall issue an invoice to Contractor for any amount due County after the Responsible Auditing Party issues an audit report. The amount on the County invoice is due by Contractor to County thirty (30) calendar days from the date of the invoice.
- D. <u>Appeal.</u> Contractor may appeal any such audit findings in accordance with the audit appeal process established by the party performing the audit.

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SCHEDULE OF FEES

For outpatient services, the following schedule of fees shall apply as preauthorized by the appropriate POA:

TYPE OF SERVICE	PROVIDER QUALIFICATION	REIMBURSEMENT RATE
Assessment	LPHA	\$1.00 per minute (\$60 per hour limit 2 hours total) (Assessment sessions are included in total PNSA)
Medication Evaluation	Licensed Medical Professional	\$100/Hour
Medication Management	Licensed Medical Professional	\$100/Hour
Family Therapy	LPHA	\$1.00 per minute (\$60 per hour)
Individual Therapy	LPHA	\$1.00 per minute (\$60 per hour)
Group Therapy	LPHA	\$0.42 per minute per person (\$25.20 per hour)
Collateral	LPHA	\$1.00 per minute (\$60 per hour)
Case Management, Brokerage	LPHA	\$1.00 per minute (\$60 per hour)

SOURCES OF FUNDS			
Funding	Source		
\$115,000	Medi-Cal		
\$15,000	CalWORKS		

Medi-Cal services may be offset by other qualified non-Medi-Cal services with prior approval by QA pursuant to the requirements of Exhibits A and B. Funding for non-Medi-Cal services shall be included in this maximum contract amount.

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EXHIBIT C

Indemnification and Insurance Requirements (For Professional Contracts)

INDEMNIFICATION

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, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

- A. Minimum Scope of Insurance Coverage shall be at least as broad as:
 - Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products-completed operations, personal & advertising injury, with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate.
 - 2. **Automobile Liability**: ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
 - 3. **Workers' Compensation**: as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
 - 4. **Professional Liability** (Errors and Omissions) Insurance appropriate to the Contractor'S profession, with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence or claim, \$2,000,000 aggregate.

If the Contractor maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the County requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the Contractor.

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Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the County.

B. Other Insurance Provisions

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

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

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- 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.
- 9. **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. Claims Made Policies If any of the required policies provide coverage on a claims-made basis:
 - i. The Retroactive Date must be shown and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
 - ii. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of contract work.
 - iii. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claimsmade policy form with a Retroactive Date prior to the contract effective date, the Contractor must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of contract work.
- 11. **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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