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CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT**

This Agreement is entered into by and between the City of San Antonio, a Texas Municipal Corporation (hereinafter referred to as “City”), on behalf of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (hereafter referred to as “Metro Health”), acting by and through the City Manager or designee, and Bexar County Board of Trustees for Mental Health Retardation dba The Center for Health Care Services (hereinafter referred to as “CONTRACTOR”) a political subdivision of the State of Texas, both of which may be referred to herein collectively as the “Parties.”

The Parties hereto severally and collectively agree, and by the execution hereof are bound, to the mutual obligations herein contained and to the performance and accomplishment of the tasks hereinafter described.

**I.  
DEFINITIONS**

As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have meanings as set out below:

“City” is defined in the preamble of this Agreement and includes its successors and assigns.

“CONTRACTOR” is defined in the preamble of this Agreement and includes its successors.

“Director” shall mean the director of City’s San Antonio Metropolitan Health District.

“Ending the HIV Epidemic Grant” shall mean the DSHS grant or program which funds this agreement and is made in accordance with awards by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (Federal Award Identification number NU62PS92459, CFDA #93.940).

“Project or Program” shall mean the general scope of services of this Agreement as well as the overall objectives and goal of the City’s Sexually Transmitted Disease/Human Immunodeficiency Virus (STD/HIV) Grant.

“System Agency” means the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) or any of the agencies of the State of Texas that are overseen by HHSC under authority granted under State law and the officers, employees, and designees of those agencies. These agencies include: HHSC and the Department of State Health Services (DSHS).

**II.  
TERM**

2.1 Unless sooner terminated in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the term of this Agreement shall commence on August 1, 2023 and shall terminate on July 31, 2024. The City shall have the option to renew and extend the term of this Agreement for one period, with the period being one year in length. The renewal shall be in writing and signed by the Director, or designee, without further action by the San Antonio City Council.

2.2 CONTRACTOR further agrees and understands that the City expects to pay all obligations of this Agreement from the Ending the HIV Epidemic Grant funding. Accordingly, if funding is not received by City in a sufficient amount to pay any of City's obligations under the terms of this Agreement, then upon written notice by City to CONTRACTOR of such lack of funding, this Agreement will terminate and neither City nor CONTRACTOR will have any further obligations hereunder. Lack of funding due to City's failure to receive adequate funding through the Ending the HIV Epidemic Grant is not and will not be considered a breach of this Agreement.

### **III.** **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

3.1 CONTRACTOR agrees to provide the services described in this Article III entitled Scope of Services in exchange for the compensation described in Article IV Compensation.

3.2 In alignment with the Ending the HIV Epidemic initiative, CONTRACTOR will focus on peer recruitment and training, and HIV/STI testing. CONTRACTOR shall provide the following services:

A. Offer the following services to women as part of the SUD treatment program: needle/syringe exchange program, linkage to care through referrals to local community organization for continuation of care and providing resources for continued care. Dedicate a peer recovery specialist knowledgeable about sexual and reproductive health to facilitate a comprehensive conversation with women referred by Substance Use Disorder treatment or other programs.

B. HIV Testing. Conduct a minimum of 10 HIV tests per month on individuals identified through outreach efforts by CHCS/Contractor at either Contractor's facility or using the Contractor's mobile unit. Submit a report at the end of the term containing the aggregate demographic information on all participants of the program.

C. Conduct outreach to SUD population, including but not limited to the following methods: attending community events, visiting local organizations, holding quarterly (4) community clinics, and using mobile testing events. Contact and reach a minimum of fifteen (15) unduplicated qualified participants a month and submit a report at the end of the term containing the following data to include the total number of individual interactions and SSP demographic data. This shall include the number of people served, any aggregate demographic information required by the CDC SSP program as required for services to fifteen (15) unduplicated participants per month.

D. Alliance Participation and Data Sharing. Actively participate in a monthly sexual health community meeting with the End Stigma END HIV Alliance.

3.3 All work performed by CONTRACTOR hereunder shall be performed to the satisfaction of City, as determined by the Director. The determination made by Director shall be

final, binding and conclusive on all Parties hereto. City shall be under no obligation to pay for any work performed by CONTRACTOR, which is not satisfactory to Director. City shall have the right to terminate this Agreement, in accordance with Article VII. Termination, in whole or in part, should CONTRACTOR's work not be satisfactory to Director; however, City shall have no obligation to terminate and may, withhold payment for any unsatisfactory work, as stated herein, even should City elect not to terminate. All scope of services and work to be performed by CONTRACTOR hereunder is outlined hereinabove and no additional work or services other than described herein shall be requested or expected by the City, without prior approval and agreement of all Parties, as evidenced in writing and approved by CONTRACTOR.

#### **IV. COMPENSATION TO CONTRACTOR**

4.1 In consideration of CONTRACTOR's performance in a satisfactory and efficient manner, as determined solely by Director, of all services and activities set forth in this Agreement, City agrees to pay CONTRACTOR an amount not to exceed THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100THS (\$35,000.00) as total compensation to be paid to CONTRACTOR in the manner set forth below.

- 4.1.1 1st invoice for a total amount of \$8,750 due Oct. 31, 2023
- 4.1.2 2nd invoice for a total amount of \$8,750 due Jan 31, 2024
- 4.1.3 3rd invoice for a total amount of \$8,750 due April 30, 2024
- 4.1.4 4th invoice for a total amount of \$8,750 due July 31, 2024

4.2 CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices as set out above. The invoices shall outline the work completed in accordance with the stated scope of work for the contract term described in Article III above and the amount due and owing. The total payments hereunder shall not exceed the amount set forth in Section 4.1 above, without prior approval and agreement of all parties, evidenced in writing.

4.3 Invoices shall be submitted to: [Accounts.Payable@sanantonio.gov](mailto:Accounts.Payable@sanantonio.gov) and copy to SAMHD.Invoices@sanantonio.gov or by mail to City of San Antonio, Accounts Payable, P.O. Box 839976, San Antonio, Texas 78283-3976, with a copy to City of San Antonio, San Antonio Metropolitan Health District, P.O. Box 839966, San Antonio, Texas 78283-3966.

4.4 No additional fees or expenses of CONTRACTOR shall be charged by CONTRACTOR nor be payable by City. The parties hereby agree that all compensable expenses of CONTRACTOR have been provided for in the total payment to CONTRACTOR as specified in Section 4.1 above. Total payments to CONTRACTOR cannot exceed that amount set forth in Section 4.1 above, without prior approval and agreement of all Parties, evidenced in writing and approved by the San Antonio City Council by passage of an ordinance therefore.

4.5 Final acceptance of work products and services require written approval by City, as determined by the Director as the City's approval official. Payment will be made to CONTRACTOR following written approval of the final work products and services by Director.

City shall not be obligated or liable under this Agreement to any party, other than CONTRACTOR, for the payment of any monies or the provision of any goods or services.

4.6 Reimbursement of eligible expenses, as determined by the City, will be made according to standard procedures followed by City, as requested upon receipt of billing from the CONTRACTOR.

4.7 CONTRACTOR agrees to provide any and all documentation required for inclusion in any report concerning the Sexually Transmitted Disease/Human Immunodeficiency Virus (STD/HIV) Grant. All services required under this Agreement will be performed to City's satisfaction, and City will not be liable for any payment under this Agreement for services which are unsatisfactory and which have not been approved by City. The payment for services provided hereunder will not be paid until required reports, data, and documentation have been received and approved by the City, as determined by the Director as the City's approval official.

## **V.**

### **OWNERSHIP OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND DOCUMENTS**

5.1 CONTRACTOR shall make available to the City sufficient documents to demonstrate to the CITY, in the City's discretion, that CONTRACTOR has satisfied CONTRACTOR's contract deliverables. Except for documents and materials subject to Sections 5.2 and 5.3, below, any and all records, data, finished or unfinished documents, writings, reports, charts, schedules, or information produced by, or on behalf of, CONTRACTOR created as a result of the services provided to City shall be owned by the City ("Work Product"); however, CONTRACTOR shall have the right, in perpetuity, to display, copy and reproduce, use, distribute, publish, and create derivative materials from, and allow others to display, copy and reproduce, use, distribute, publish, and create derivative materials from, such documents without restriction in perpetuity.

5.2 All documents, including any original drawings, estimates, specifications and all other documents and data, previously owned by CONTRACTOR shall remain the property of CONTRACTOR as instruments of service. However, it is understood that City with the End Stigma End HIV Alliance shall have free access to all such Consultant information and City is granted the right to make and retain copies of CONTRACTOR's drawings, estimates, specifications and all other documents and data. CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that City and System Agency has a permanent and perpetual, fully paid-up, non-exclusive license to reproduce, publish, use, and to make derivative works, from any documents prepared by CONTRACTOR for City in accordance with this Agreement. Any reuse of CONTRACTOR's information without specific written verification or adaptation by CONTRACTOR will be at City's sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to CONTRACTOR.

5.3 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, all previously owned intellectual property of CONTRACTOR, including but not limited to any computer software (object code and source code), tools, systems, equipment or other information used by CONTRACTOR or its suppliers in the course of delivering the Services hereunder, and any know-how, methodologies or processes used by CONTRACTOR to provide the services or project

deliverables to City, including without limitation, all copyrights, trademarks, patents, trade secrets and any other proprietary rights inherent therein and appurtenant thereto, shall remain the sole and exclusive property of CONTRACTOR or its suppliers.

5.4 In accordance with Texas law, CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that all local government records created or received in the transaction of official business or the creation or maintenance of which were paid for by public funds are declared public property and are subject to the provisions of Chapter 201 of the Texas Local Government Code and Subchapter J, Chapter 441 of the Texas Government Code.

## **VI.**

### **REQUESTS FOR AND RETENTION OF RECORDS**

6.1 CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors, if any, shall properly, accurately and completely maintain all documents, papers, and records, and other evidence pertaining to the services rendered hereunder (hereafter referred to as “documents”), and shall make such materials available to the City at their respective offices, at all reasonable times and as often as City may deem necessary during the Agreement period, including any extension or renewal hereof, and the record retention period established herein, for purposes of audit, inspection, examination, and making excerpts or copies of same by City and any of its authorized representatives.

6.2 CONTRACTOR shall retain any and all documents produced as a result of services provided hereunder for a period of four (4) years (hereafter referred to as “retention period”) from the date of termination of the Agreement, or as may be required by the grantor of funds. If, at the end of the retention period, there is litigation or other questions arising from, involving or concerning this documentation or the services provided hereunder, CONTRACTOR shall retain the records until the resolution of such litigation or other such questions. CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that City shall have access to any and all such documents at any and all times, as deemed necessary by City, during said retention period. City may, at its election, require CONTRACTOR to return said documents to City prior to or at the conclusion of said retention.

6.3 The Public Information Act, Government Code Section 552.021, requires the City and CONTRACTOR to make public information available to the public. Under Government Code Section 552.002(a), public information means information that is collected, assembled or maintained under a law or ordinance or in connection with the transaction of official business: 1) by a governmental body; or 2) for a governmental body and the governmental body owns the information or has a right of access to it. Therefore, if CONTRACTOR receives inquiries regarding documents within its possession pursuant to this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving the requests forward such requests to City for disposition. If the requested information is confidential pursuant to state or federal law, the CONTRACTOR shall submit to City the list of specific statutory authority mandating confidentiality no later than three (3) business days of CONTRACTOR’s receipt of such request. For the purposes of communicating and coordinating with regard to public information requests, all communications shall be made to the designated public information liaison for each Party. Each Party shall designate in writing to the other Party the public information liaison for its organization and notice of a change in the designated liaison shall be made promptly to the other Party.

## **VII.**

### **TERMINATION**

7.1 For purposes of this Agreement, "termination" of this Agreement shall mean termination by expiration of the Agreement term as stated in Article II. Term, or earlier termination pursuant to any of the provisions hereof.

7.2 Termination Without Cause. This Agreement may be terminated by City or CONTRACTOR upon thirty (30) calendar days written notice, which notice shall be provided in accordance with Article VIII. Notice.

7.3 Termination For Cause. Upon written notice, which notice shall be provided in accordance with Article VIII. Notice, City may terminate this Agreement as of the date provided in the notice, in whole or in part, upon the occurrence of one (1) or more of the following events, each of which shall constitute an Event for Cause under this Agreement:

7.3.1 The sale, transfer, pledge, conveyance or assignment of this Agreement without prior approval, as provided in Article XII. Assignment and Subcontracting.

7.3.2 Any material breach of the terms of this Agreement as determined solely by City.

7.4 Defaults With Opportunity for Cure. Should CONTRACTOR default in the performance of this Agreement in a manner stated in this section 7.4 below, same shall be considered an event of default. City shall deliver written notice of said default specifying such matter(s) in default. CONTRACTOR shall have ten (10) business days after receipt of the written notice, in accordance with Article VIII. Notice, to cure such default. If CONTRACTOR fails to cure the default within such ten-day cure period, City shall have the right, without further notice, to terminate this Agreement in whole or in part as City deems appropriate, and to contract with another contractor to complete the work required in this Agreement. City shall also have the right to offset the cost of said new Agreement with a new contractor against CONTRACTOR's future or unpaid invoice(s), subject to the duty on the part of City to mitigate its losses to the extent required by law. Any one or more of the following events shall be deemed an "event of default" hereunder:

7.4.1 The sale, transfer, pledge, conveyance or assignment of this Agreement without prior approval, as provided in Article XII. Assignment and Subcontracting;

7.4.2 Bankruptcy or selling substantially all of Contractor's assets;

7.4.3 Failing to perform or failing to comply with any material covenant herein required;

7.4.4 Performing the services unsatisfactorily, as determined by the Director;

7.4.5 The failure to meet reporting requirements of the Sexually Transmitted Disease/Human Immunodeficiency Virus (STD/HIV) Grant, as set out and determined by City; or

7.4.6 Notification of any investigation, claim or charge by a local, state or federal agency involving fraud, theft or the commission of a felony.

7.5 Termination By Law. If any state or federal law or regulation is enacted or promulgated which prohibits the performance of any of the duties herein, or, if any law is interpreted to prohibit such performance, this Agreement shall automatically terminate as of the effective date of such prohibition.

7.6 Regardless of how this Agreement is terminated, CONTRACTOR shall affect an orderly transfer to City or to such person(s) or firm(s) as the City may designate, at no additional cost to City, all completed or partially completed documents, papers, records, charts, reports, and any other materials or information produced as a result of or pertaining to the services rendered by CONTRACTOR, or provided to CONTRACTOR, hereunder, regardless of storage medium, if so requested by City, or shall otherwise be retained by CONTRACTOR in accordance with Article VI. Records Retention. Any record transfer shall be completed within thirty (30) calendar days of a written request by City and shall be completed at CONTRACTOR's sole cost and expense. Payment of compensation due or to become due to CONTRACTOR is conditioned upon delivery of all such documents, if requested by City.

7.7 Within thirty (30) calendar days of the earlier of the following: the effective date of completion, or termination or expiration of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall submit to City its claims, in detail, for the monies owed by City for services performed under this Agreement through the effective date of termination. Failure by CONTRACTOR to submit its claims within said thirty (30) calendar days shall negate any liability on the part of City and constitute a Waiver by CONTRACTOR of any and all right or claims to collect moneys that CONTRACTOR may rightfully be otherwise entitled to for services performed pursuant to this Agreement.

7.8 Upon the effective date of expiration or termination of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall cease all operations of work being performed by CONTRACTOR or any of its subcontractors pursuant to this Agreement.

7.9 Termination not sole remedy. In no event shall City's action of terminating this Agreement, whether for cause or otherwise, be deemed an election of City's remedies, nor shall such termination limit, in any way, at law or at equity, City's right to seek damages from or otherwise pursue CONTRACTOR for any default hereunder or other action.

7.10 City shall pay CONTRACTOR for conforming goods delivered and services provided prior to the date of termination, offset by any amounts due and owing from CONTRACTOR to City.

## **VIII.** **NOTICE**

8.1 Except where the terms of this Agreement expressly provide otherwise, any election, notice or communication required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be

in writing and deemed to have been duly given if and when delivered personally (with receipt acknowledged), or three (3) days after depositing same in the U.S. mail, first class, with proper postage prepaid, or upon receipt if sending the same by certified mail, return receipt requested, or upon receipt when sent by a commercial courier service (such as Federal Express or DHL Worldwide Express) for expedited delivery to be confirmed in writing by such courier, at the addresses set forth below or to such other address as either party may from time to time designate in writing.

If to City, to:

City of San Antonio  
Attn: Director  
San Antonio Metropolitan Health District  
100 W. Houston, 8th floor  
San Antonio, Texas 78205

If intended for CONTRACTOR, to:

The Center for Health Care Services  
Attn: Frederic Courtois, Services Program Director  
6800 Park Ten Blvd., Suite 200-S  
San Antonio, TX 78213

**IX.**  
**SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

9.1 Contractor acknowledges that funds for this Agreement are from federal funds provided to the City through the DSHS Contract under the Ending the HIV Epidemic Grant (Contract No. HHS000897700002). Contractor agrees to comply with and be subject to all applicable subcontractor provisions as outlined in the current Statement of Work, the HHSC Uniform Terms and Conditions and as applicable, the HHS Data Use Agreement (TACCHO Version) as well as applicable cost principles, audit requirements and administrative requirements incorporated herein by reference. Contractor agrees to comply with all terms and conditions associated with said funds as directed by the City in order to enable City to comply with its obligations under the DSHS Contract to include, but not limited to the following:

9.1.1 In addition to any right of access arising by operation of law, Contractor and any of Contractor's affiliate or subsidiary organizations, or Subcontractors will permit the System Agency or any of its duly authorized representatives, as well as duly authorized federal, state or local authorities, unrestricted access to and the right to examine any site where business is conducted or Services are performed, and all records, which includes but is not limited to financial, client and patient records, books, papers or documents related to this Contract. If the Contract includes federal funds, federal agencies that will have a right of access to records as described in this section include: the federal agency providing the funds, the Comptroller General of the United States, the General Accounting Office, the Office of the Inspector General, and any of their

authorized representatives. In addition, agencies of the State of Texas that will have a right of access to records as described in this section include: the System Agency, HHSC, HHSC's contracted examiners, the State Auditor's Office, the Texas Attorney General's Office, and any successor agencies. Each of these entities may be a duly authorized authority. If deemed necessary by the System Agency or any duly authorized authority, for the purpose of investigation or hearing, Contractor will produce original documents related to this Contract. The System Agency and any duly authorized authority will have the right to audit billings both before and after payment, and all documentation that substantiates the billings. Contractor will include this provision concerning the right of access to, and examination of, sites and information related to this Contract in any Subcontract it awards.

9.1.2 Contractor understands that acceptance of funds directly under the Contract or indirectly through a Subcontract under the Contract acts as acceptance of the authority of the State Auditor's Office (SAO), or any successor agency, to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. Under the direction of the legislative audit committee, an entity that is the subject of an audit or investigation by the SAO must provide the SAO with access to any information the SAO considers relevant to the investigation or audit. Contractor agrees to cooperate fully with the SAO or its successor in the conduct of the audit or investigation, including providing all records requested. Contractor will ensure that this clause concerning the authority to audit funds received indirectly by Subcontractors through Contractor and the requirement to cooperate is included in any Subcontract it awards.

9.1.3 Contractor certifies that it and its principals are not suspended or debarred from doing business with the state or federal government as listed on the *State of Texas Debarred Vendor List* maintained by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and the *System for Award Management (SAM)* maintained by the General Services Administration. This certification is made pursuant to the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549 and Executive Order 12689, Debarment and Suspension, 2 C.F.R., Part 376, and any relevant regulations promulgated by the Department or Agency funding this project. This provision shall be included in its entirety in Contractor's subcontracts, if any, if payment in whole or in part is from federal funds.

9.2 Contractor acknowledges that funds for this Agreement are from federal funds provided to the City through the DSHS. As such, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable terms and conditions associated with said funds as directed by the federal funding entity, City or as required in this Agreement, including but not limited to: 2 C.F.R. Part 200, entitled Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards incorporated herein by reference. Contractor agrees to comply with terms and conditions as applicable, including but not limited to the following provisions and certifications:

9.2.1 Contractor and its subcontractors shall comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, including, but not limited to, the regulatory provisions of 40 CFR Part 247, and Executive Order 12873, as they apply to the procurement of the items designated in Subpart B of 40 CFR Part 247.

9.2.2 Debarment and Suspension. Contractor is required to verify that neither the Contractor nor its principals, as defined at 2 CFR 180.995, are excluded or disqualified as defined at 2 CFR 180.940 and 2 CFR 180.935, respectively. The Contractor is required to comply with 2 CFR Part 180, Subpart C and must include the requirement to comply with 2 CFR Part 180, Subpart C in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

By signing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that:

Neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in any State or Federal Program; and

Contractor shall provide immediate written notice to City if, at any time during the term of this Agreement, including any renewals hereof. Contractor learns that its certification was erroneous when made or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact relied upon by City. If it is later determined that Contractor knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to remedies available to City, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment. Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 CFR Part 180, Subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this Agreement. Contractor further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

### 9.2.3 Certification Regarding Lobbying

#### Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, 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-L.LL. "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," 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 section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. 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.

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

The undersigned states to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

If any 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 commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit standard Form-L.LL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions. Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

## **X. AUDIT**

10.1 If the CONTRACTOR expends \$750,000.00 or more of funds provided under this Agreement, or cumulative funds provided by or through City, then during the term of this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR shall have completed an independent audit of its financial statements performed within a period not to exceed one hundred eighty (180) calendar days immediately succeeding the end of CONTRACTOR's fiscal year, expiration or early termination of this Agreement, whichever is earlier. CONTRACTOR understands and agrees to furnish Metro Health a copy of the audit report within a period not to exceed fifty (50) calendar days upon receipt of the report. In addition to the report, a copy of the corrective action plan, summary schedule of prior audit findings, management letter and/or conduct of audit letter are to be submitted to Metro Health by CONTRACTOR within fifty (50) calendar days upon receipt of said report or upon submission of said corrective action plan to the auditor.

10.2 The CONTRACTOR agrees to reimburse the City or supplement any disallowed costs with eligible and allowable expenses based upon reconciled adjustments resulting from CONTRACTOR's Single Audit. Reimbursement shall be made within twenty (20) calendar days of written notification regarding the need for reimbursement.

10.3 The CONTRACTOR agrees and understands that upon notification from federal, state, or local entities that have conducted program reviews and/or audits of the CONTRACTOR or its programs of any findings about accounting deficiencies, or violations of CONTRACTOR's financial operations, a copy of the notification, review, investigation, and audit violations report must be forwarded to Metro Health within a period of fourteen (14) calendar days upon the CONTRACTOR's receipt of the report.

10.4 If CONTRACTOR expends less than \$750,000.00 of funds provided by or through the City, then during the term of this Agreement, the Contractor shall complete and submit an unaudited financial statement(s) within a period not to exceed ninety (90) calendar days immediately succeeding the end of CONTRACTOR's fiscal year or termination of this Agreement, whichever is earlier. Said financial statement shall include a balance sheet and income statement prepared by a bookkeeper and a cover letter signed by CONTRACTOR attesting to the correctness of said financial statement.

10.5 All financial statement(s) must include a schedule of receipts and disbursements by budgeted cost category for each program funded by or through the City.

10.6 The City reserves the right to conduct, or cause to be conducted an audit or review of all funds received under this Agreement at any and all times deemed necessary by City, not to exceed two times per twelve (12) month period. The City Internal Audit Staff, a Certified Public Accounting (CPA) firm, or other personnel as designated by the City, may perform such audit(s) or reviews. The City reserves the right to determine the scope of every audit. In accordance herewith, CONTRACTOR agrees to make available to City all accounting and Project records. CONTRACTOR acknowledges that this provision shall not limit the City from additional follow-up to audits or reviews, as necessary, or from investigating items of concern that may be brought to the City's attention which are other than routine.

10.7 CONTRACTOR shall during normal business hours, and not to exceed two times per twelve month period by City and/or the applicable state or federal governing agency or any other auditing entity, make available the books, records, documents, reports, and evidence with respect to all matters covered by this Agreement and shall continue to be so available for a minimum period of four (4) years or whatever period is determined necessary based on the Records Retention guidelines, established by applicable law for this Agreement. Said records shall be maintained for the required period beginning immediately after Agreement termination, save and except there is litigation or if the audit report covering such agreement has not been accepted, then the CONTRACTOR shall retain the records until the resolution of such issues has satisfactorily occurred. The auditing entity shall have the authority to audit, examine and make excerpts, transcripts, and copies from all such books, records, documents and evidence, including all books and records used by CONTRACTOR in accounting for expenses incurred under this Agreement, all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, records of personnel, conditions of employment and

other data relating to matters covered by this Agreement.

10.8 The City may, in its sole and absolute discretion, require the CONTRACTOR to use any and all of the City's accounting or administrative procedures used in the planning, controlling, monitoring and reporting of all fiscal matters relating to this Agreement, and the CONTRACTOR shall abide by such requirements.

10.9 When an audit or examination determines that the CONTRACTOR has expended funds or incurred costs which are questioned by the City and/or the applicable state or federal governing agency, the CONTRACTOR shall be notified and provided an opportunity to address the questioned expenditure or costs.

10.10 Should any expense or charge that has been reimbursed be subsequently disapproved or disallowed as a result of any site review or audit, the CONTRACTOR will immediately refund such amount to the City no later than thirty (30) calendar days from the date of notification of such disapproval or disallowance by the City. At its sole option, Metro Health may instead deduct such claims from subsequent reimbursements; however, in the absence of prior notice by City of the exercise of such option, CONTRACTOR shall provide to City a full refund of such amount no later than thirty (30) calendar days from the date of notification of such disapproval or disallowance by the City. If CONTRACTOR is obligated under the provision hereof to refund a disapproved or disallowed cost incurred, such refund shall be required and be made to City by check, cashiers check or money order. Should the City, at its sole discretion, deduct such claims from subsequent reimbursements, the CONTRACTOR is forbidden from reducing Project expenditures and CONTRACTOR must use its own funds to maintain the Project.

10.11 CONTRACTOR agrees and understands that all expenses, fees, fines and penalties associated with the collection of delinquent debts owed by CONTRACTOR shall be the sole responsibility of the CONTRACTOR and shall not be paid from any Project funds received by the CONTRACTOR under this Agreement. Delinquent debts that would otherwise be identified as allowable costs may be paid with Project funds with approval of Metro Health.

10.12 If the City determines, in its sole discretion, that CONTRACTOR is in violation of the above requirements, the City shall have the right to dispatch auditors of its choosing to conduct the required audit and to have the CONTRACTOR pay for such audit from non-City resources.

## **XI.**

### **ADMINISTRATION OF AGREEMENT AND RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF FUNDS**

11.1 The CONTRACTOR agrees to be subject to the terms and conditions that the City must comply with in its participation in the Sexually Transmitted Disease/Human Immunodeficiency Virus (STD/HIV) Grant.

11.2 In the event that any disagreement or dispute should arise between the Parties hereto pertaining to the interpretation or meaning of any part of this Agreement or its governing rules, regulations, laws, codes or ordinances, the City Manager or the Director of Metro Health, as

representatives of the City and the parties ultimately responsible for all matters of compliance with the Sexually Transmitted Disease/Human Immunodeficiency Virus (STD/HIV) Grant and City rules and regulations, shall have the final authority to render or secure an interpretation.

11.3 CONTRACTOR shall not use funds awarded from this Agreement as matching funds for any federal, state or local grant without the prior written approval of the Director of Metro Health.

11.4 Unless otherwise stated herein, within a period not to exceed sixty (60) calendar days after the expiration, or early termination, date of the Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall submit all required deliverables to City. CONTRACTOR understands and agrees that in conjunction with the submission of the final report, the CONTRACTOR shall execute and deliver to City a receipt for all sums and a release of all claims against the Project.

11.5 CONTRACTOR shall maintain financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and all other books, documents, papers or other records pertinent to this Agreement or the grant in accordance with the official records retention schedules established within the Local Government Records Act of 1989 and any amendments thereto, or for such period as may be specifically required by 45 C.F.R §74.53 or 45 C.F.R. §92.42, as applicable, whichever is longer. Notwithstanding the foregoing, CONTRACTOR shall maintain all Agreement and grant related documents for no less than four (4) years from the date of City's submission of the annual financial report covering the funds awarded hereunder. If an audit, litigation, or other action involving the records has been initiated before the end of the four (4) year period, CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain the records until the end of the four (4) year period or until the audit, litigation, or other action is completed, whichever is later.

11.6 CONTRACTOR shall make available to City, the State, or any of their duly authorized representatives, upon appropriate notice, such books, records, reports, documents, papers, policies and procedures as may be necessary for audit, examination, excerpt, transcription, and copy purposes, for as long as such records, reports, books, documents, and papers are retained. This right also includes timely and reasonable access to CONTRACTOR's facility and to CONTRACTOR's personnel for the purpose of interview and discussion related to such documents. CONTRACTOR shall, upon request, transfer certain records to the custody of City or the State, when City or State determines that the records possess long-term retention value.

11.7 Metro Health is assigned monitoring, fiscal control, and evaluation of certain projects funded by the City with general or grant funds, including the Project covered by this Agreement. Therefore, CONTRACTOR agrees to permit City and/or State to evaluate, through monitoring, reviews, inspection or other means, the quality, appropriateness, and timeliness of services delivered under this Agreement and to assess CONTRACTOR's compliance with applicable legal and programmatic requirements. At such times and in such form as may be required by Metro Health, the CONTRACTOR shall furnish to Metro Health and the Grantor of the Funds, if applicable, such statements, reports, records, data, all policies and procedures and information as may be requested by Metro Health and shall permit the City and Grantor of the Funds, if applicable, to have interviews with its personnel, board members and program participants pertaining to the matters covered by this Agreement. CONTRACTOR agrees that the

failure of the City to monitor, evaluate, or provide guidance and direction shall not relieve the Contactor of any liability to the City for failure to comply with the Terms of the Project or the terms of this Agreement.

11.8 City may, at its discretion, conduct periodic, announced monitoring visits to ensure program and administrative compliance with this Agreement and Project goals and objectives. City reserves the right to make unannounced visits to CONTRACTOR, or CONTRACTOR subcontractor, sites when it is determined that such unannounced visits are in the interest of effective program management and service delivery.

11.9 City agrees that it will present the findings of any such review to the CONTRACTOR in a timely manner and will attempt to convey information of Program strengths and weaknesses and assist with Program improvement.

11.10 Unless otherwise provided herein, all reports, statements, records, data, policies and procedures or other information requested by Metro Health shall be submitted by CONTRACTOR to City within five (5) working days of the request. The parties agree that a shorter time frame may be necessary for response in the case of the single audit and shall cooperate to meet deadlines necessary to comply with the single audit requirements. In the event that CONTRACTOR fails to deliver the required reports or information or delivers incomplete information within the prescribed time period, the City may, upon reasonable notice, suspend reimbursements to CONTRACTOR until such reports are delivered to City. Furthermore, the CONTRACTOR ensures that all information contained in all required reports or information submitted to City is accurate.

11.11 Unless disclosure is authorized by the City, CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain in confidence all information pertaining to the Project or other information and materials prepared for, provided by, or obtained from City including, without limitation, reports, information, project evaluation, project designs, data, other related information (collectively, the “Confidential Information”) and to use the Confidential Information for the sole purpose of performing its obligations pursuant to this Agreement. Additionally, CONTRACTOR shall execute a HIPAA Business Associate Agreement in substantially the same form as shown in **Attachment I**, which is intended to protect the privacy and provide for the security of Protected Health Information disclosed pursuant to this Agreement in compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as amended, and regulations promulgated thereunder by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and other applicable laws. CONTRACTOR shall protect the Confidential Information and shall take all reasonable steps to prevent the unauthorized disclosure, dissemination, or publication of the Confidential Information. If disclosure is required (i) by law or (ii) by order of a governmental agency or court of competent jurisdiction, CONTRACTOR shall give the Director of Metro Health prior written notice that such disclosure is required with a full and complete description regarding such requirement. CONTRACTOR shall establish specific procedures designed to meet the obligations of this Article, including, but not limited to execution of confidential disclosure agreements, regarding the Confidential Information with CONTRACTOR’s employees and subcontractors prior to any disclosure of the Confidential Information. This Article shall not be construed to limit the State’s or the City’s or its authorized representatives’ right to obtain copies, review and audit records or other information, confidential or otherwise, under this Agreement. Upon termination or expiration of this

Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall return to City all copies of materials related to the Project, including the Confidential Information. All confidential obligations contained herein (including those pertaining to information transmitted orally) shall survive the termination of this Agreement. The Parties shall ensure that their respective employees, agents, and contractors are aware of and shall comply with the aforementioned obligations.

In addition, CONTRACTOR must take reasonable measures to safeguard protected personally identifiable information and other information the funding agency or City designates as sensitive or the City considers sensitive consistent with applicable Federal, state, local, and tribal laws regarding privacy and obligations of confidentiality.

11.12 Prohibited Political Activity. CONTRACTOR agrees that no funds provided from or through the City shall be contributed or used to conduct political activities for the benefit of any candidate for elective public office, political party, organization or cause, whether partisan or non-partisan, nor shall the personnel involved in the administration of the Project provided for in this Agreement be assigned to work for or on behalf of any partisan or non-partisan political activity.

11.13 CONTRACTOR agrees that no funds provided under this Agreement may be used in any way to attempt to influence, in any manner, a member of Congress or any other State or local elected or appointed official.

11.14 The prohibitions set forth in Sections 11.12 and 11.13 above include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. an activity to further the election or defeat of any candidate for public office or for any activity undertaken to influence the passage, defeat or final content of local, state or federal legislation;
- b. working or directing other personnel to work on any political activity during time paid for with City funds, including, but not limited to activities such as taking part in voter registration drives, voter transportation activities, lobbying, collecting contributions, making speeches, organizing or assisting at meetings or rallies, or distributing political literature;
- c. coercing personnel, whether directly or indirectly, to work on political activities on their personal time, including activities such as taking part in voter registration drives, voter transportation activities, lobbying, collecting contributions, making speeches, organizing or assisting at meetings or rallies, or distributing political literature; and
- d. using facilities or equipment paid for, in whole or in part with City funds for political purposes including physical facilities such as office space, office equipment or supplies, such as telephones, computers, fax machines, during and after regular business hours.

11.15 To ensure that the above policies are complied with, CONTRACTOR shall provide every member of its personnel paid out of Agreement funds with a statement provided by CONTRACTOR of the above prohibitions and have each said individual sign a statement acknowledging receipt of the policy. Such statement shall include a paragraph that directs any staff person who has knowledge of violations or feels that he or she has been pressured to violate the above policies to call and report the same to Metro Health. CONTRACTOR shall list the name and number of a contact person from Metro Health on the statement that CONTRACTOR's personnel can call to report said violations.

11.16 CONTRACTOR agrees that in any instance where an investigation of the above is ongoing or has been confirmed, salaries paid to the CONTRACTOR under this Agreement may, at the City's discretion, be withheld until the situation is resolved, or the appropriate member of the CONTRACTOR's personnel is terminated.

11.17 Sections 11.12 through 11.17 shall not be construed to prohibit any person from exercising his or her right to express his or her opinion or to limit any individual's right to vote. Further, CONTRACTOR and staff members are not prohibited from participating in political activities on their own volition, if done during time not paid for with Agreement funds.

11.18 Adversarial proceedings. Except in circumstances where the following is in conflict with federal law or regulations pertaining to this grant, the CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with the following special provisions,

- a. Under no circumstances will the funds received under this Agreement be used, either directly or indirectly, to pay costs or attorney fees incurred in any adversarial proceeding against the City or any other public entity; and
- b. The CONTRACTOR, at the City's option, could be ineligible for consideration to receive any future funding while any adversarial proceeding against the City remains unresolved.

## **XII.**

### **INSURANCE**

12.1 Prior to the commencement of any work under this Agreement, Contractor shall furnish copies of all required endorsements and completed Certificate(s) of Insurance to the City's Health Department, which shall be clearly labeled "The Center for Health Care Services Agreement" in the Description of Operations block of the Certificate. The Certificate(s) shall be completed by an agent and signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The City will not accept a Memorandum of Insurance or Binder as proof of insurance. The certificate(s) must be signed by the Authorized Representative of the carrier, and list the agent's signature and phone number. The certificate shall be mailed, with copies of all applicable endorsements, directly from the insurer's authorized representative to the City. The City shall have no duty to pay or perform under this Agreement until such certificate and endorsements have been

received and approved by the City's Health Department. No officer or employee, other than the City's Risk Manager, shall have authority to waive this requirement.

12.2 The City reserves the right to review the insurance requirements of this Article during the effective period of this Agreement and any extension or renewal hereof and to modify insurance coverages and their limits when deemed necessary and prudent by City's Risk Manager based upon changes in statutory law, court decisions, or circumstances surrounding this Agreement. In no instance will City allow modification whereby City may incur increased risk.

12.3 A Contractor's financial integrity is of interest to the City; therefore, subject to Contractor's right to maintain reasonable deductibles in such amounts as are approved by the City, Contractor shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect for the duration of this Agreement, and any extension hereof, at Contractor's sole expense, insurance coverage written on an occurrence basis, unless otherwise indicated, by companies authorized to do business in the State of Texas and with an A.M Best's rating of no less than A- (VII), in the following types and for an amount not less than the amount listed below:

<b><i>INSURANCE TYPE</i></b>	<b><i>LIMITS</i></b>
1. Workers' Compensation	Statutory
2. Employers' Liability	\$1,000,000/\$1,000,000/\$1,000,000
3. Commercial General Liability Insurance to include coverage for the following: a) Premises/Operations b) Products/Completed Operations c) Personal/Advertising Injury d) Contractual Liability e) Independent Contractors f) *Sexual Abuse/ Molestation	For Bodily Injury and Property Damage \$1,000,000 per occurrence; \$2,000,000 general aggregate, or its equivalent in Umbrella or Excess Liability Coverage.
4. Business Automobile Liability a. Owned/leased vehicles b. Non-owned vehicles c. Hired Vehicles	Combined Single Limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage of \$1,000,000 per occurrence.
5. Professional Liability (Claims-made Coverage)	\$1,000,000 per claim damages by reason of any act, malpractice, error, or omission in the professional service.
*If Applicable	

12.4 As they apply to the limits required by the City, the City shall be entitled, upon request and without expense, to receive copies of the policies, declaration page, and all required endorsements. Contractor shall be required to comply with any such requests and shall submit

requested documents to City at the address provided below within 10 days. Contractor shall pay any costs incurred resulting from provision of said documents.

City of San Antonio  
Attn: Health Department  
P.O. Box 839966  
San Antonio, Texas 78283-3966

12.5 Contractor agrees that with respect to the above required insurance, all insurance policies are to contain or be endorsed to contain the following provisions:

- Name the City, its officers, officials, employees, volunteers, and elected representatives as additional insureds by endorsement, as respects operations and activities of, or on behalf of, the named insured performed under contract with the City, with the exception of the workers' compensation and professional liability policies;
- Provide for an endorsement that the "other insurance" clause shall not apply to the City of San Antonio where the City is an additional insured shown on the policy;
- Workers' compensation, employers' liability, general liability and automobile liability policies will provide a waiver of subrogation in favor of the City.
- Provide advance written notice directly to City of any suspension or non-renewal in coverage, and not less than ten (10) calendar days advance notice for nonpayment of premium.

12.6 Within five (5) calendar days of a suspension, cancellation or non-renewal of coverage, Contractor shall provide a replacement Certificate of Insurance and applicable endorsements to City. City shall have the option to suspend Contractor's performance should there be a lapse in coverage at any time during this contract. Failure to provide and to maintain the required insurance shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement.

12.7 In addition to any other remedies the City may have upon Contractor's failure to provide and maintain any insurance or policy endorsements to the extent and within the time herein required, the City shall have the right to order Contractor to stop work hereunder, and/or withhold any payment(s) which become due to Contractor hereunder until Contractor demonstrates compliance with the requirements hereof.

12.8 Nothing herein contained shall be construed as limiting in any way the extent to which Contractor may be held responsible for payments of damages to persons or property resulting from Contractor's or its subcontractors' performance of the work covered under this Agreement.

12.9 It is agreed that Contractor's insurance shall be deemed primary and non-contributory with respect to any insurance or self-insurance carried by the City of San Antonio for

liability arising out of operations under this Agreement.

12.10 It is understood and agreed that the insurance required is in addition to and separate from any other obligation contained in this Agreement and that no claim or action by or on behalf of the City shall be limited to insurance coverage provided.

### **XIII.**

#### **INDEMNIFICATION**

13.1 City and the CONTRACTOR acknowledge they are political subdivisions of the State of Texas and are subject to, and comply with the applicable provisions of the Texas Tort Claims Act, as set out in the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, Section 101.001 et. seq. and the remedies authorized therein regarding claims or causes of action that may be asserted by third parties for accident, injury or death.

### **XIV.**

#### **SMALL BUSINESS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AD ADVOCACY (SBEDA)**

14.1 **Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy Compliance.** As a condition of entering into this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR represents and warrants that it has complied with throughout the course of this solicitation and contract award process, and will continue to comply with, the City's Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy, as described under Section III. C. 1. of the SBEDA Ordinance. As part of such compliance, CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry or national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation or, on the basis of disability or other unlawful forms of discrimination in the solicitation, selection, hiring or commercial treatment of Subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, or commercial customers, nor shall the company retaliate against any person for reporting instances of such discrimination. The company shall provide equal opportunity for Subcontractors, vendors and suppliers to participate in all of its public sector and private sector subcontracting and supply opportunities, provided that nothing contained in this clause shall prohibit or limit otherwise lawful efforts to remedy the effects of marketplace discrimination that have occurred or are occurring in the City's Relevant Marketplace. The company understands and agrees that a material violation of this clause shall be considered a material breach of this Agreement and may result in termination of this Agreement, disqualification of the company from participating in City contracts, or other sanctions. This clause is not enforceable by or for the benefit of, and creates no obligation to, any third party. CONTRACTOR's certification of its compliance with this Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy as submitted to the City pursuant to the solicitation for this contract is hereby incorporated into the material terms of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall incorporate this clause into each of its Subcontractor and supplier agreements entered into pursuant to City contracts.

### **XV.**

#### **ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTING**

15.1 CONTRACTOR shall supply qualified personnel as may be necessary to complete the work to be performed under this Agreement. Persons retained to perform work pursuant to

this Agreement shall be the employees or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR, its employees or its subcontractors shall perform all necessary work.

15.2 Any work or services approved for subcontracting hereunder shall be subcontracted only by written contract and, unless specific waiver is granted in writing by the City, shall be subject by its terms to each and every provision of this Agreement. Compliance by subcontractors with this Agreement shall be the responsibility of CONTRACTOR. City shall in no event be obligated to any third party, including any subcontractor of CONTRACTOR, for performance of services or payment of fees. Any references in this Agreement to an assignee, transferee, or subcontractor, indicate only such an entity as has been approved by the City Council.

15.3 Except as otherwise stated herein, CONTRACTOR may not sell, assign, pledge, transfer or convey any interest in this Agreement, nor delegate the performance of any duties hereunder, by transfer, by subcontracting or any other means, without the consent of the City. As a condition of such consent, if such consent is granted, CONTRACTOR shall remain liable for completion of the services outlined in this Agreement in the event of default by the successor CONTRACTOR, assignee, transferee or subcontractor.

15.4 Any attempt to transfer, pledge or otherwise assign this Agreement without said written approval, shall be void ab initio and shall confer no rights upon any third person. Should CONTRACTOR assign, transfer, convey, delegate, or otherwise dispose of any part of all or any part of its right, title or interest in this Agreement, City may, at its option, cancel this Agreement and all rights, titles and interest of CONTRACTOR shall thereupon cease and terminate, in accordance with Article VII. Termination, notwithstanding any other remedy available to City under this Agreement. The violation of this provision by CONTRACTOR shall in no event release CONTRACTOR from any obligation under the terms of this Agreement, nor shall it relieve or release CONTRACTOR from the payment of any damages to City, which City sustains as a result of such violation.

## **XVI.**

### **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

16.1 CONTRACTOR covenants and agrees that it is an independent contractor and not an officer, agent, servant or employee of City; that CONTRACTOR shall have exclusive control of and exclusive right to control the details of the work performed hereunder and all persons performing same, and shall be responsible for the acts and omissions of its officers, agents, employees, contractors, subcontractors and consultants; that the doctrine of *respondeat superior* shall not apply as between City and CONTRACTOR, its officers, agents, employees, contractors, subcontractors and consultants, and nothing herein shall be construed as creating the relationship of employer-employee, principal-agent, collaborators or joint venturers between City and CONTRACTOR. The parties hereto understand and agree that the City shall not be liable for any claims which may be asserted by any third party occurring in connection with the services to be performed by the CONTRACTOR under this Agreement and that the CONTRACTOR has no authority to bind the City.

## **XVII.**

## **NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY**

17.1 Non-Discrimination. As a party to this contract, CONTRACTOR understands and agrees to comply with the Non-Discrimination Policy of the City of San Antonio contained in Chapter 2, Article X. of the City Code and further, shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, veteran status, age or disability, unless exempted by state or federal law, or as otherwise established herein.

17.2 The CONTRACTOR shall comply with all federal, State, or local laws, rules, and orders prohibiting discrimination, and shall not engage in employment practices which have the effect of discriminating against any employee or applicant for employment, and will take affirmative steps to ensure that applicants are employed and employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, handicap, or political belief or affiliation. Consistent with the foregoing, CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with Executive Order 11246, entitled "Equal Employment Opportunity", as amended by Executive Order 11375, and as supplemented by regulations at 41 C.F.R. Part 60. CONTRACTOR further agrees to abide by all applicable provisions of San Antonio City ordinance number 69403 on file in the City Clerk's Office. Additionally, CONTRACTOR certifies that it will comply fully with the following nondiscrimination, minimum wage and equal opportunity provisions, including but not limited to:

- a) Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended;
- b) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended;
- c) The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended;
- d) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended; (Title 20 USC sections 1681-1688);
- e) Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended;
- f) Equal Pay Act of 1963, P.L. 88-38;
- g) Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C. section 8102); and
- h) All applicable regulations implementing the above laws.

## **XVIII. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

18.1 CONTRACTOR acknowledges that it is informed that the Charter of the City of San Antonio and its Ethics Code prohibit a City officer or employee, as those terms are defined in Part B, Section 10 of the Ethics Code, from having a financial interest in any contract with the City or any City agency such as city owned utilities. An officer or employee has a "prohibited financial interest" in a contract with the City or in the sale to the City of land, materials, supplies or service,

if any of the following individual(s) or entities is a party to the contract or sale: a City officer or employee; his parent, child or spouse; a business entity in which the officer or employee, or his parent, child or spouse owns ten (10) percent or more of the voting stock or shares of the business entity, or ten (10) percent or more of the fair market value of the business entity; a business entity in which any individual or entity above listed is a subcontractor on a City contract, a collaborator or a parent or subsidiary business entity.

18.2 Pursuant to the subsection above, CONTRACTOR warrants and certifies, and this Agreement is made in reliance thereon, that it, its officers, employees and agents are neither officers nor employees of the City. CONTRACTOR further warrants and certifies that it has tendered to the City a Discretionary Contracts Disclosure Statement in compliance with the City's Ethics Code.

## **XIX.** **AMENDMENTS**

19.1 Except where the terms of this Agreement expressly provide otherwise, any alterations, additions or deletions to the terms hereof, shall be effected by amendment, in writing, executed by both City and Contractor. The Director may execute contract amendments on behalf of the City without further action by the San Antonio City Council, in the following circumstances: (A) an increase in contract funding in an amount not exceeding (a) twenty-five percent (25%) of the total amount of this contract or (b) \$25,000.00, whichever is the lesser amount; provided, however, that the cumulative total of all amendments increasing funding and executed without City Council approval pursuant to this subsection during the term of this contract shall not exceed the foregoing amount; (B) no cost extensions up to two years; (C) budget adjustments authorized by the funding agency so long as the total dollar amount of the budget remains unchanged; (D) modifications to the Scope of Work due to the adjustment described in subsection (A) of this Section or for any other reason, so long as the terms of the amendment are reasonably within the parameters set forth in the original Scope of Work; and (E) changes in state or federal regulations mandated by the funding agency..

## **XX.** **SEVERABILITY**

20.1 If any clause or provision of this Agreement is held invalid, illegal or unenforceable under present or future federal, state or local laws, including but not limited to the City Charter, City Code, or ordinances of the City of San Antonio, Texas, then and in that event it is the intention of the parties hereto that such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other clause or provision hereof and that the remainder of this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable clause or provision was never contained herein; it is also the intention of the parties hereto that in lieu of each clause or provision of this Agreement that is invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, there be added as a part of the Agreement a clause or provision as similar in terms to such invalid, illegal or unenforceable clause or provision as may be possible, legal, valid and enforceable.

## **XXI.**

## **LICENSES/CERTIFICATIONS**

21.1 CONTRACTOR warrants and certifies that CONTRACTOR and any other person designated to provide services hereunder has the requisite training, license and/or certification to provide said services, and meets all competence standards promulgated by all other authoritative bodies, as applicable to the services provided herein.

## **XXII. COMPLIANCE**

22.1 CONTRACTOR shall provide and perform all services required under this Agreement in compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.

## **XXIII. NONWAIVER OF PERFORMANCE**

23.1 Unless otherwise specifically provided for in this Agreement, a waiver by either Party of a breach of any of the terms, conditions, covenants or guarantees of this Agreement shall not be construed or held to be a waiver of any succeeding or preceding breach of the same or any other term, condition, covenant or guarantee herein contained. Further, any failure of either Party to insist in any one or more cases upon the strict performance of any of the covenants of this Agreement, or to exercise any option herein contained, shall in no event be construed as a waiver or relinquishment for the future of such covenant or option. In fact, no waiver, change, modification or discharge by either party hereto of any provision of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been made or shall be effective unless expressed in writing and signed by the party to be charged. In case of City, such changes must be approved by the City Council, as described in Article XVI. Amendments. No act or omission by a Party shall in any manner impair or prejudice any right, power, privilege, or remedy available to that Party hereunder or by law or in equity, such rights, powers, privileges, or remedies to be always specifically preserved hereby.

## **XXIV. LAW APPLICABLE**

**24.1 THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED UNDER AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS AND ALL OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES CREATED HEREUNDER ARE PERFORMABLE IN BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS.**

24.2 Unless this Agreement provides otherwise, all claims, counterclaims, disputes, and other matters in question between City and CONTRACTOR arising out of or relating to this Agreement or its breach will be decided in a court of competent jurisdiction.

24.3 Venue of any court action brought directly or indirectly as a result of this Agreement shall be in Bexar County, Texas.

## **XXV.**

## **LEGAL AUTHORITY**

25.1 The signer of this Agreement for CONTRACTOR represents, warrants, assures and guarantees that he has full legal authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of CONTRACTOR and to bind CONTRACTOR to all of the terms, conditions, provisions and obligations herein contained.

## **XXVI. PARTIES BOUND**

26.1 This Agreement shall be binding on and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, and successors and assigns, except as otherwise expressly provided for herein.

## **XXVII. CAPTIONS**

27.1 The captions contained in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only, and in no way limit or enlarge the terms and/or conditions of this Agreement.

## **XXVIII. PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES BOYCOTTING ISRAEL**

28.1 Texas Government Code §2270.002 provides that a governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services, unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it:

- (1) does not boycott Israel; and
- (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.

"Boycott Israel" means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purposes.

"Company" means a for-profit sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of those entities or business associations that exists to make a profit.

By submitting an offer to or executing contract documents with the City of San Antonio, Company hereby verifies that it does not boycott Israel, and will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract. City's hereby relies on Company's verification. If found to be false, City may terminate the contract for material breach.

**XXIX.**  
**PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES ENGAGED IN**  
**BUSINESS WITH IRAN, SUDAN, OR FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATION**

29.1 Texas Government Code §2252.152 provides that a governmental entity may not enter into a governmental contract with a company that is identified on a list prepared and maintained under Texas Government Code §§2270.0201 or 2252.153. Contractor hereby certifies that it is not identified on such a list and that it will notify City should it be placed on such a list while under contract with City. City hereby relies on Contractor's certification. If found to be false, or if Contractor is identified on such list during the course of its contract with City, City may terminate this Agreement for material breach.

**XXX. PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES BOYCOTTING**  
**CERTAIN ENERGY COMPANIES**

30.1 This section only applies to a contract that:

- (1) is between a governmental entity and a company with 10 or more full-time employees; and
- (2) has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds of the governmental entity.

"Company" means a for-profit organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of those entities or business associations that exists to make a profit. This term does not include a sole proprietorship.

"Boycott energy company" means, without an ordinary business purpose, refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations with a company because the company: (A) engages in the exploration, production, utilization, transportation, sale, or manufacturing of fossil fuel-based energy and does not commit or pledge to meet environmental standards beyond applicable federal and state law; or (B) does business with a company described in (A).

Texas Government Code §2274 provides that a governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services, unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it: (1) does not boycott energy companies; and (2) will not boycott energy companies during the term of the contract.

By submitting an offer to or executing contract documents with the City of San Antonio, Company hereby verifies that it does not boycott energy companies and will not boycott energy companies during the term of the contract. City hereby relies on Company's verification. If found to be false, City may terminate the contract for material breach.

**XXXI. PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES THAT**

## **DISCRIMINATE AGAINST FIREARM AND AMMUNITION INDUSTRIES**

31.1 This section only applies to a contract that:

- (1) is between a governmental entity and a company with 10 or more full-time employees; and
- (2) has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds of the governmental entity.

"Company" means a for-profit organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of those entities or business associations that exists to make a profit. This term does not include a sole proprietorship.

"Discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association": (A) means, with respect to the entity or association, to: (i) refuse to engage in the trade of any goods or services with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association; (ii) refrain from continuing an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association; or (iii) terminate an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association.

Texas Government Code §2274 provides that a governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services, unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it: (1) does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association; and (2) will not discriminate during the term of the contract against a firearm entity or firearm trade association.

By submitting an offer to or executing contract documents with the City of San Antonio, Company hereby verifies that it does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association; and will not discriminate during the term of the contract against a firearm entity or firearm trade association. City hereby relies on Company's verification. If found to be false, City may terminate the contract for material breach.

## **XXXII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

32.1 This Agreement, together with its authorizing ordinance and its exhibits, if any, constitute the final and entire agreement between the parties hereto and contain all of the terms and conditions agreed upon. No other agreements, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Agreement shall be deemed to exist or to bind the parties hereto, unless same be in writing, dated subsequent to the date hereto, and duly executed by the parties, in accordance with Article XIX. Amendments.

**EXECUTED and AGREED** to this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO**

**THE CENTER FOR HEALTH CARE  
SERVICES**

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Claude A. Jacob, Dr.PH(c) MPH  
Director  
San Antonio Metropolitan Health District

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Jelynn LeBlanc Burley  
President/CEO

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Date

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Date

Approved as to Form:

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City Attorney

WITNESSETH:

**HIPAA BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT**

This HIPAA Business Associate Agreement (**Agreement**) is entered into by and between the City of San Antonio (“**Covered Entity**”), and The Center for Health Care Services, a **Business Associate** (“**BA**”), referred to collectively herein as the “**Parties**.”

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio and BA have entered into a Professional Services Contract (“Service Contract”), executed on \_\_\_\_\_, whereby BA provides professional services to the Covered Entity; and

WHEREAS, Covered Entity and BA may need to use, disclose and/or make available certain information pursuant to the terms of the Service Contract, some of which may constitute Protected Health Information (“PHI”); and

WHEREAS, Covered Entity and BA intend to protect the privacy and provide for the security of PHI disclosed to each other pursuant to the Service Contract in compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191 (“HIPAA”) and regulations promulgated thereunder by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (the “HIPAA Regulations”), Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (“HITECH Act”) and other applicable laws; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Agreement is to satisfy certain standards and requirements of HIPAA and the HIPAA Regulations, including, but not limited to, Title 45, Section 164.504(e) of the Code of Federal Regulations (“C.F.R.”), as the same may be amended from time to time;

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

A. **Definitions.** For the purposes of this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings ascribed to them:

- (1) “Breach” shall mean an impermissible use or disclosure under the Privacy Rule that compromises the security or privacy of the protected health information. An impermissible use or disclosure of protected health information is presumed to be a breach unless the covered entity or business associate, as applicable, demonstrates that there is a low probability that the protected health information has been compromised based on a risk assessment of at least the following factors:
  - (a) the nature and extent of the protected health information involved, including the types of identifiers and the likelihood of re-identification;
  - (b) the unauthorized person who used the protected health information or to whom the disclosure was made;

- (c) whether the protected health information was actually acquired or viewed; and
  - (d) the extent to which the risk to the protected health information has been mitigated.
- (2) “Designated Record Set” shall have the same meaning as the term “designated record set” in 45 C.F.R. 164.501.
- (3) “Disclosure” with respect to PHI, shall mean the release, transfer, provision of access to or divulging in any other manner of PHI outside the entity holding the PHI.
- (4) “Health Information” is defined in 45 C.F.R. 160.103 as any information, including genetic information, whether oral or recorded in any form or medium that: (1) is created or received by a health care provider, health plan, public health authority, employer, life insurer, school or university, or health care clearinghouse; and (2) relates to the past, present, or future physical or mental health or 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.
- (5) “Individual” means the person who is the subject of protected health information and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 C.F.R. 164.502(g).
- (6) “Individually Identifiable Health Information” is defined in 45 C.F.R. 160.103 as information that is a subset of health information, including demographic information collected from an individual, and: (1) is created or received by a health care provider, health plan, employer, or health care clearinghouse; and (2) relates to the past, present, or future physical or mental health or 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 (i) identifies the individual; or (ii) with respect to which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual.
- (7) “Privacy Rule” shall mean the regulations for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information at 45 C.F.R. Part 160 and Part 164, Subpart E.
- (8) “Protected Health Information” or “PHI” shall have the same meaning as the term "protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. 160.103, limited to the information created or received by BA from or on behalf of Covered Entity. PHI includes “Electronic Protected Health Information” or “EPHI” and shall have the meaning given to such term under the HIPAA Rule, including but not limited to 45 C.F.R. Parts 160, 162, 164, and under HITECH.
- (9) "Required By Law" means a mandate contained in law that compels an entity to make a use or disclosure of protected health information and that is enforceable in

a court of law. Required by law includes, but is not limited to, court orders and court-ordered warrants; subpoenas or summons issued by a court, grand jury, a governmental or tribal inspector general, or an administrative body authorized to require the production of information; a civil or an authorized investigative demand; Medicare conditions of participation with respect to health care

providers participating in the program; and statutes or regulations that require the production of information, including statutes or regulations that require such information if payment is sought under a government program providing public benefits. 45 C.F.R 164.103.

- (10) “Secretary” shall mean the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services or his designee.
- (11) “Security Rules” shall mean the Security Standards for the Protection of Electronic Protected Health Information codified at 45 C.F.R. Part 164.
- (12) The Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (“HITECH”) Act shall mean Division A, Title XII of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111-5).

**B. BA Obligations and Activities.** BA agrees that it shall:

- (1) Not use or disclose the PHI other than as permitted or required by this Agreement or as Required by Law;
- (2) Establish and maintain appropriate administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect, consistent with the services provided under this Agreement, the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the electronic protected health information that it creates, receives, maintains, or transmits on behalf of Covered Entity;
- (3) Mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to BA of a use or disclosure of PHI by BA in violation of the requirements of this Agreement;
- (4) Report to Covered Entity any use or disclosure of PHI of which BA is aware or becomes aware that is not provided for or allowed by this Agreement as well as any Security Incident as defined by 45 C.F.R. 164.304 that BA becomes aware of;
- (5) Ensure that a business associate agreement is in place with any of its agents or subcontractors with which BA:
  - (a) does business, and
  - (b) to whom it provides PHI received from, or created or received by BA on behalf of, Covered Entity; and ensures such agents or subcontractors are

aware of and agree to the same restrictions and conditions that apply through this Agreement to BA with respect to such information, and further agree to implement reasonable and appropriate administrative, physical and technical safeguards that render such PHI unusable, unreadable and indecipherable to individuals unauthorized to acquire or otherwise have access to such PHI;

- (6) Provide access, at the request of Covered Entity, and in a reasonable time and manner as agreed by the Parties, to PHI in a Designated Record Set to Covered Entity or, as directed by Covered Entity, to an Individual in order to meet the requirements 45 C.F.R. §164.524;
- (7) Make any amendment(s) to PHI in a Designated Record Set that the Covered Entity directs or agrees to pursuant to 45 C.F.R. 164.526 at the request of the Covered Entity or an Individual, and in a reasonable time and manner agreed to by the Parties;
- (8) Make available to the Covered Entity or to the Secretary all internal practices, books and records, including policies and procedures and PHI, relating to the use and disclosure of PHI received from, or created or received by the BA on behalf of the Covered Entity, for purposes of the Secretary in determining Covered Entity's compliance with the Privacy Rule;
- (9) Document disclosures of PHI, and information related to such disclosures, as would be required for Covered Entity to respond to a request from an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 C.F.R. 164.528;
- (10) Provide Covered Entity or an Individual, in a reasonable time and manner as agreed to by the Parties, information collected in accordance with Section B(9) of this Agreement, to permit Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 C.F.R. 164.528;
- (11) Immediately, and in no event later than three days from discovery, notify Covered Entity of any breach of PHI, including ePHI, and will coordinate with Covered Entity to identify, record, investigate, and report to an affected individual and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, as required, any covered PHI breach. Breach notification to Covered Entity must include: names of individuals with contact information for those who were or may have been impacted by the HIPAA Breach; a brief description of the circumstances of the HIPAA Breach, including the date of the breach and date of discovery; a description of the types of unsecured PHI involved in the breach; a brief description of what the BA has done or is doing to investigate the breach and mitigate harm. BA will appoint a breach liaison and provide contact information to provide information and answer questions Covered Entity may have concerning the breach;
- (12) Comply with all Security Rules requirements;

- (13) Comply with the Privacy Rule for any obligation Covered Entity delegates to BA;
- (14) Under no circumstances sell PHI in such a way as to violate Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 181.153, effective September 1, 2012, nor shall BA use PHI for marketing purposes in such a manner as to violate Texas Health and Safety Code Section 181.152, or attempt to re-identify any information in violation of Texas Health and Safety Code Section 181.151, regardless of whether such action is on behalf of or permitted by the Covered Entity.

**C. Permitted Uses and Disclosures by BA.**

- (1) Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, BA may use or disclose PHI to perform functions, activities, or services for, or on behalf of, Covered Entity as specified in the Service Contract, provided that such use or disclosure would not violate the Privacy Rule if done by Covered Entity.
- (2) Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, BA may disclose PHI for the proper management and administration of the BA, provided that disclosures are Required By Law, or BA obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom the information is disclosed that it will remain confidential and used or further disclosed only as Required By Law or for the purpose for which it was disclosed to the person, and the person notifies the BA of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached.
- (3) Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, BA may use PHI to provide Data Aggregation Services to Covered Entity as permitted by 45 C.F.R. 164.504(e)(2)(i)(B).
- (4) BA may use PHI to report violations of law to appropriate Federal and State authorities, consistent with 45 C.F.R. 164.502(j)(1).

**D. Obligations of Covered Entity.** Covered Entity shall inform BA of its privacy practices and restrictions as follows. Covered Entity shall:

- (1) Notify BA of any limitations in its notice of privacy practices in accordance with 45 C.F.R. 164.520, to the extent that such limitation may affect BA's use or disclosure of PHI;
- (2) Notify BA of any changes in, or revocation of, permission by any Individual to use or disclose PHI, to the extent that such changes may affect BA's use or disclosure of PHI;
- (3) Notify BA of any restriction to the use or disclosure of PHI that Covered Entity has agreed to in accordance with 45 C.F.R. 164.522 to the extent that such changes may affect BA's use or disclosure of PHI.

- (4) Coordinate with BA regarding any PHI breach and make timely notification to affected individuals within 60 days of discovery.

E. **Permissible Requests by Covered Entity.**

Covered Entity shall not request BA to use or disclose PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under the Privacy Rule if done by Covered Entity, except that the BA may use or disclose PHI for data aggregation or management and administrative activities of the BA.

F. **Term and Termination.**

- (1) This Agreement becomes effective on the date it is signed by the last Party. This Agreement shall terminate when all PHI encompassed by this Agreement is destroyed or returned to Covered Entity or, if it is infeasible to return or destroy the PHI, protections are extended to such information in accordance with the termination provisions in this Section.
- (2) Termination for Cause. Upon Covered Entity's knowledge of a material breach by BA, Covered Entity shall either (a) provide an opportunity for BA to cure the breach in accordance with the terms of the Service Contract or, if the BA does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time for cure specified in the Service Contract, end the violation and terminate this Agreement and the Service Contract; or (b) immediately terminate this Agreement and the Service Contract if BA has breached a material term of this Agreement and cure is not possible. If neither termination nor cure is feasible, Covered Entity shall report the violation to the Secretary.
- (3) Effect of Termination.
  - (a) Except as provided below in paragraph (b) of this Section F(3), upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, BA shall return or destroy all PHI received from the Covered Entity, or created or received by BA on behalf of Covered Entity. This provision shall apply to PHI that is in the possession of BA or its subcontractors or agents. BA shall not retain any copies of PHI.
  - (b) In the event that BA determines that returning or destroying PHI is infeasible, BA shall provide to Covered Entity written notification of the condition that makes the return or destruction of PHI infeasible. Upon BA's conveyance of such written notification, BA shall extend the protections of this Agreement to such PHI and limit further uses and disclosures of such PHI to those purposes that make its return or destruction infeasible, for so long as BA maintains such PHI.

- (4) Notwithstanding any other provision under this Agreement, the Parties agree that the Service Contract may be terminated by either Party without penalty should the other Party violate a material obligation under this Agreement.
- G. **Amendment to Comply with Law.** The Parties agree to take written action as is necessary to amend this Agreement to comply with any Privacy Rules and HIPAA legal requirements for Covered Entity without the need for additional council action.
- H. **Survival.** The respective rights and obligations of the BA under Sections B, C (2) and (4), and F(3) shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- I. **Interpretation.** Any ambiguity in this Agreement shall be interpreted to permit Covered Entity to comply with the Privacy Rule.
- J. **Regulatory References.** A reference in this Agreement to a section in the Privacy Rule means the section as in effect or amended.
- K. **No Third Party Beneficiaries.** Nothing express or implied in this Agreement is intended to confer, nor shall anything herein confer upon any person other than Covered Entity, BA, and their respective successors or assigns, any rights, remedies, obligations, or liabilities whatsoever.
- L. **INDEMNIFICATION. BA WILL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND AND HOLD COVERED ENTITY AND ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS HARMLESS, FROM AND AGAINST ANY AND ALL LOSSES, LIABILITIES, DAMAGES, COSTS AND EXPENSES ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO ANY THIRD-PARTY CLAIM BASED UPON ANY BREACH OF THIS AGREEMENT BY BA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INDEMNITY PROVISIONS IN THE SERVICECONTRACT, WHICH ARE HEREBY INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE FOR ALL PURPOSES.**
- M. **Reimbursement.** BA will reimburse Covered Entity for reasonable costs incurred responding to a PHI breach by BA or any of BA's subcontractors.
- N. **Waiver.** No provision of this Agreement or any breach thereof shall be deemed waived unless such waiver is in writing and signed by the party claimed to have waived such provision or breach. No waiver of a breach shall constitute a waiver of or excuse any different or subsequent breach.
- O. **Assignment.** Neither party may assign (whether by operation of law or otherwise) any of its rights or delegate or subcontract any of its obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Covered Entity shall have the right to assign its rights and obligations hereunder to any entity that is an affiliate or successor of Covered Entity, without the prior approval of BA.
- P. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement constitutes the complete agreement between Business Associate and Covered Entity relating to the matters specified in this Agreement,

and supersedes all prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written, with respect to such matters. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of the Service Contract or any such later agreement(s), the terms of this Agreement shall control unless the terms of such Service Contract comply with the Privacy Standards and the Security Standards. No oral modification or waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be binding on either party. This Agreement is for the benefit of, and shall be binding upon the parties, their affiliates and respective successors and assigns. No third party shall be considered a third-party beneficiary under this Agreement, nor shall any third party have any rights as a result of this Agreement.

- Q. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas. Venue of any court action brought directly or indirectly by reason of this Agreement shall be in Bexar County, Texas.

**EXECUTED** to be effective \_\_\_\_\_, by the **City of San Antonio**, signing by and through its program manager.

**COVERED ENTITY**  
**By City of San Antonio**

**BUSINESS ASSOCIATE:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Claude A. Jacob, Dr PH (c), MPH  
Health Director  
San Antonio Metropolitan Health District

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jelynn LeBlanc Burley  
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Attorney