

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**ITEM: 3.31  
(ID # 28763)**

**MEETING DATE:**  
Tuesday, October 21, 2025

**FROM :** RUHS-BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

**SUBJECT:** RIVERSIDE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM – BEHAVIORAL HEALTH: Ratify and Approve the Behavioral Health Agreement Renewal with MFI Recovery Center to Provide Augmented Adult Residential Care at Desert Sage, Without Seeking Competitive Bids, for FY 2025/2026; District 4. [Total Cost for One Year: \$1,742,187; Up to \$348,438 in Additional Compensation, 100% State Funding].

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Ratify and Approve the Behavioral Health Agreement with MFI Recovery Center to provide Augmented Adult Residential Care at Desert Sage, without seeking competitive bids, in the amount of \$1,742,187, for the term of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, and authorize the Chair of the Board to sign and execute the Agreement on behalf of the County; and
2. Authorize the Purchasing Agent, in accordance with Ordinance No. 459, based on the availability of funding, and as approved as to form by County Counsel to: a) sign amendments to the statement of work that stay within the intent of the Agreement; and b) sign amendments to the compensation provisions that do not exceed the sum total of twenty percent (20%) of the total annual cost of the contract through June 30, 2026; and
3. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue a Purchase Order for goods and/or services rendered.

**ACTION:Policy**

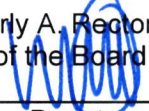
  
Matthew Chang, Director 9/17/2025

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Washington, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Medina, Spiegel, Washington, Perez, and Gutierrez  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Date: October 21, 2025  
xc: RUHS-BH, Purchasing

Kimberly A. Rector  
Clerk of the Board  
By:   
Deputy

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<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	<b>Current Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Next Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Ongoing Cost</b>
<b>COST</b>	\$ 1,742,187	\$ 0	\$ 1,742,187	\$ 0
<b>NET COUNTY COST</b>	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> 100% State			<b>Budget Adjustment:</b> No	
			<b>For Fiscal Year:</b> 25/26	

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**Summary**

Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health (RUHS-BH) operates a continuum of care system that consists of County-operated and contracted service providers delivering a variety of mental health treatment services within each geographic region of Riverside County.

Desert Sage is a 49-bed Augmented Adult Residential Facility serving adults between the ages of 18-59 years old, located at 82485 Miles Avenue in Indio, CA 92201. Desert Sage services provide increased support to behavioral health consumers who require a higher level of care than basic care and supervision. Services also provide an opportunity for consumers to work toward recovery from their respective illnesses in a supportive residential setting that is less restrictive than a secured inpatient or long-term care facility.

On June 18, 2019 (Agenda Item #3.25), the Board of Supervisors approved the Behavioral Health Agreement with Recovery Innovations, Inc. (RII) to provide services at Desert Sage for the term July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020, with the option to renew up to four additional years. In July of 2021, RUHS-BH was notified RII would discontinue services at Desert Sage, effective September 20, 2021.

To ensure continuity of care, on October 28, 2021, in collaboration with Riverside County Purchasing, a Single Source Procurement Justification (SSJ #22-045) was reviewed and assigned for MFI Recovery Center (MFI) through June 30, 2023, and subsequently on December 7, 2021 (Agenda Item #3.39), the Board of Supervisors approved the Single Source Justification and Agreement with MFI for the term of October 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, with the option to renew for one additional year through June 30, 2023.

On May 15, 2023, the Riverside County Purchasing Department at the request of Behavioral Health reviewed and issued the Single Source Justification (SSJ #23-198) with MFI, through June 30, 2024. On June 13, 2023 (Agenda Item #3.22), the Board of Supervisors approved the Behavioral Health Agreement for MFI to provide services at Desert Sage for the term of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

On July 1, 2024, the Riverside County Purchasing Department, at the request of Behavioral Health, reviewed and issued SSJ #23-198a to amend and extend the SSJ and Behavioral Health Agreement with MFI through June 30, 2025. On 7/30/2024(Agenda Item #3.61), the

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Board of Supervisors approved the Behavioral Health Agreement for MFI to provide services at Desert Sage for the term of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

On August 12, 2025, Riverside County Purchasing Department, at the request of Behavioral Health, reviewed and issued SSJ #26-024 for MFI to continue to provide services at Desert Sage.

RUHS-BH anticipates releasing a RFP for Desert Sage services during FY 2025/2026. Therefore, to ensure continuity of care, RUHS-BH is requesting Board approval to continue contracting with MFI for one additional year, in the amount of \$1,742,187, through June 30, 2026, to carry out the formal bidding process for these services.

**Impact on Citizens and Businesses**

These services are a component of Behavioral Health's system of care aimed at improving the health and safety of consumers and the community.

**Additional Fiscal Information**

There are sufficient appropriations in the Department's FY2025/2026 budget. No additional County funds are required.

**Contract History and Price Reasonableness**

RUHS-BH has prepared a new RFP# MHARC-295 to provide Augmented Adult Residential Care at Desert Sage. It is anticipated that the new RFP will be released and awarded during FY 2025/2026.

To avoid the displacement of Desert Sage residents or disruption of supportive social and healthcare services for this most vulnerable population, RUHS-BH, in collaboration with Riverside County Purchasing, reviewed and issued an extension for the Single Source Procurement Justification with MFI at the same annual amount to allow the County adequate time to complete the competitive bid process and time for a new provider, if applicable, to complete the licensure process for the facility.

**Attachments**

Attachment A. Single Source Justification – 26-024  
Attachment B. MFI Recovery Center Renewal Agreement

  
Melissa Curtis, Deputy Director of Purchasing and Fleet 9/22/2025

  
Gregg Gu, Chief of Deputy County Counsel 9/29/2025

**COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**



This agreement is made and entered into by and between the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California, on behalf of Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health (“RUHS-BH”), hereinafter referred to as “COUNTY” and **MFI Recovery Center**, a California Nonprofit Corporation, hereinafter referred to as “CONTRACTOR.”

**PREAMBLE**

WHEREAS, the COUNTY wishes to extend to the residents of Riverside County certain mental health services contemplated and authorized by the California Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) Section 5600 et seq., 5608 et seq., Government Code Section 26227 et seq., Title 42, Part 438 of the Code of Federal Regulation (C.F.R.), Title 9 of the California Code of Regulations (C.C.R.), and Title 22 of the C.C.R., which the CONTRACTOR is equipped, staffed and prepared to provide; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY believes it is in the best interest of the people of Riverside County to provide these mental health services by contract; and

WHEREAS, these services as described in Exhibit A attached hereto, shall be provided by CONTRACTOR in accordance with the applicable laws, codes and policies contained in, but not limited to, Exhibit B attached hereto;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants and conditions hereinafter contained, the Parties hereto mutually agree as provided on pages 1 through 46 and Exhibits A, B, C, Schedules I, P, and Attachment A – E, attached hereto and incorporated herein, hereinafter referred to as “Agreement.”

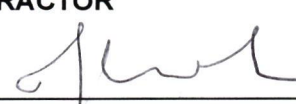
**COUNTY**

By:   
**V. MANUEL PEREZ**

**CHAIR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Date: OCT 21 2025

**CONTRACTOR**

By:   
Denise Arellano, CFO

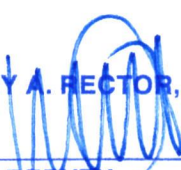
Date: 6-5-25

**COUNTY COUNSEL:**

Approved as to form

By:   
Deputy County Counsel

**ATTEST:**  
**KIMBERLY A. RECTOR, Clerk**

By:   
**DEPUTY**

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## **I. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES**

CONTRACTOR agrees to provide services in the form as outlined and described in Exhibit A, Exhibit B, Exhibit C, Schedule I, Schedule K, and any other exhibits, attachments or addendums attached to this Agreement.

## **II. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE**

This Agreement shall be effective as of July 1, 2025, and continue in effect through June 30, 2026, unless terminated earlier. CONTRACTOR shall commence performance upon signature of this Agreement by both parties and shall diligently and continuously perform thereafter. The Riverside County Board of Supervisors is the only authority that may obligate the County for a non-cancelable multi-year agreement.

## **III. REIMBURSEMENT AND USE OF FUNDS**

### **A. Reimbursement**

1. In consideration of services provided by CONTRACTOR, COUNTY shall reimburse CONTRACTOR in the amount and manner outlined and described in Exhibit C, Schedule I and Schedule K, attached to this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall submit their National Provider Identification (NPI) and all other required documentation to the COUNTY before reimbursement can be issued to the CONTRACTOR.
2. In accordance with Section 1903(i) of the Social Security Act, COUNTY is prohibited from paying for an item or service:
  - a. Furnished under contract by any individual or entity during any period when the individual or entity is excluded from participation under title V, XVIII, or XX or under this title pursuant to Sections 1128, 1128A, 1156, or 1842(j)(2) of the Social Security Act.
  - b. Furnished at the medical direction or on the prescription of a physician, during the period when such physician is excluded from participation under title V, XVIII, or XX or under this title pursuant to Sections 1128, 1128A, 1156, or 1842(j)(2) of the Social Security Act and when the person furnishing such item or service knew, or had reason to know, of the exclusion (after a reasonable time period after reasonable notice has been furnished to the person).
  - c. Furnished by an individual or entity to whom the COUNTY has failed to suspend payments during any period when there is a pending investigation of a credible allegation of fraud against the individual or entity, unless the COUNTY determines there is good cause not to suspend such payments.
3. With respect to any amount expended for which funds may not be used under the Assisted Suicide Funding Restriction Act (ASFRA) of 1997.

### **B. Restrictions On Salaries**

CONTRACTOR agrees that no part of any federal funds provided under this Agreement shall be used by the CONTRACTOR, or its Subcontractors to pay the salary of an individual at a rate in excess of Level II of the Executive Schedule. Salary schedules may be found at [www.opm.gov](http://www.opm.gov). CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for ensuring that their organization is in full compliance with all applicable Federal, State, County or local salary restrictions in conjunction with the performance of services herein.

### **C. Union Organizing**

1. CONTRACTOR will not assist, promote, or deter union organizing by employees performing work on a State service contract, including a public works contract.
2. CONTRACTOR will not, for any business conducted under this Agreement, use any state property to hold meetings with employees or supervisors, if the purpose of such meetings

is to assist, promote or deter union organizing unless the state property is equally available to the general public for holding meetings.

3. If the CONTRACTOR incurs costs, or makes expenditures to assist, promote, or deter union organizing, CONTRACTOR will maintain records sufficient to show that no reimbursement from state funds has been sought for these costs, and the CONTRACTOR shall provide those records to the Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health (RUHS-BH) and then to the Attorney General upon request.

D. Byrd Lobbying Act Restrictions and Disclosures Certification

Applicable to federally funded contracts in excess of \$100,000 per 31 U.S.C. Section 1352 and 45 C.F.R. Part 93:

1. Certification and Disclosure Requirements

- a. CONTRACTOR (or recipient) who requests or receives a contract, sub-contract, grant or sub-grant, which is subject to 31 U.S.C. Section 1352, and which exceeds \$100,000 at any tier, shall file a certification consisting of one page, entitled "Certification Regarding Lobbying" that the recipient has not made, and will not make, any payment prohibited by Subsection B of this provision. CONTRACTOR shall submit the signed Certification Regarding Lobbying, Attachment A, attached hereto, to RUHS-BH with the Agreement.
- b. CONTRACTOR shall file the Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, Attachment B, attached hereto, if any funds other than federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence any officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or any employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this federal grant.
- c. CONTRACTOR shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans and cooperative agreements) and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.
- d. CONTRACTOR shall file a disclosure form at the end of each calendar quarter in which there occurs any event that requires disclosure or that materially affect the accuracy of the information contained in any disclosure form previously filed by such person under Paragraph 1.a herein. An event that materially affects the accuracy of the information reported includes:
  - a. A cumulative increase of \$25,000, or more in the amount paid or expected to be paid for influencing or attempting to influence a covered federal action;
  - b. A change in the person(s) or individual(s) influencing or attempting to influence a covered federal action;
  - c. A change in the officer(s), employee(s), or member(s) contacted for the purpose of influencing or attempting to influence a covered federal action;
  - d. CONTRACTOR who requests or receives from a person referred to in Paragraph 1.a of this provision a contract, subcontract, grant or sub-grant exceeding \$100,000 at any tier under a contract or grant shall file a certification, and a disclosure form, if required, to the next tier above; and,
  - e. All disclosure forms (but no certifications) shall be forwarded from tier to tier until received by the entity referred to in Paragraph 1.a of this provision. The CONTRACTOR shall forward all disclosure forms to RUHS-BH Program/Regional Administrator.

E. Prohibition

31 U.S.C. Section 1352 provides in part that no Federal appropriated funds may be expended to pay any person 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 any of the following covered federal actions: the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, entering into any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan or cooperative agreement.

F. National Provider Identifier (NPI)

All HIPAA covered healthcare providers must obtain an NPI. CONTRACTOR's site NPIs must be submitted to the RUHS-BH Management Reporting Unit prior to rendering services to members. CONTRACTORS providing direct or indirect services for State reporting must also submit rendering (individual) NPIs and taxonomy code that corresponds with the work they are performing to RUHS-BH Management Reporting Unit for each staff member providing Medi-Cal billable services. CONTRACTOR reimbursement will not be processed unless NPIs are on file with RUHS-BH in advance of providing services to members. It is the responsibility of CONTRACTOR and individual staff member that bills Medi-Cal to obtain an NPI from the National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES). Each contracted site, as well as every staff member that provides billable services, is responsible for notifying NPPES within 30 days of any updates to personal information (worksite address, name changes, taxonomy code changes, etc.).

#### IV. PROGRAM SUPERVISION, MONITORING AND REVIEW

A. Pursuant to WIC Section 5608, Title 9 of the C.C.R. and the California Health and Safety Code, services hereunder shall be provided by CONTRACTOR under the general supervision of the COUNTY Director of Behavioral Health, hereinafter called DIRECTOR, or authorized designee.

1. CONTRACTOR agrees to extend to DIRECTOR or authorized designee, the COUNTY Contract Monitoring Team (CMT), COUNTY Contract Liaisons, and other authorized COUNTY, Federal and/or State representatives, the right to enter the program facilities during operating hours to monitor member well-being and the right to review and monitor CONTRACTOR's facilities, programs, policies, practices, books, records, or procedures during operating hours.
2. CONTRACTOR shall participate in the RUHS-BH program monitoring. This consists of contract monitoring by RUHS-BH, which may be conducted annually at the discretion of RUHS-BH, as well as further discretionary reviews occurring on a more frequent basis. Said review(s) may cover clinical, fiscal and/or administrative components.
3. CONTRACTOR further agrees to authorize the COUNTY, under this Agreement, to have access to all COUNTY members, to collaborate with treating staff, and to review necessary documents to ensure that the member has received all necessary assessments, all necessary treatment planning with measurable goals, and documented progress towards goals.
4. CONTRACTOR agrees to allow COUNTY to collaborate with CONTRACTOR personnel regarding member aftercare services and continuity of care with the COUNTY.

B. As it pertains to the COUNTY and Program Monitoring, if at any point during the duration of this Agreement, the COUNTY determines the CONTRACTOR is out of compliance with any provision in this Agreement, the COUNTY may request a plan of correction, after providing the CONTRACTOR with written notification detailing the basis for the finding of non-compliance.

1. Within thirty (30) days of receiving this separate notification of non-compliance, the CONTRACTOR shall provide to COUNTY a written plan of corrective action addressing the non-compliance.

2. If the COUNTY accepts the CONTRACTOR'S proposed plan of correction, it may temporarily suspend other punitive actions to give the CONTRACTOR the opportunity to come into full compliance in the area of deficiency. COUNTY reserves the right to reimpose such actions at its sole discretion should CONTRACTOR fail to implement its plan of correction.
  3. If the COUNTY determines the CONTRACTOR has failed to implement an appropriate corrective action, COUNTY may suspend or withhold any funds until compliance is fully achieved.
  4. CONTRACTOR shall cooperate with any such effort by COUNTY including follow-up investigation(s) and interview(s) of witnesses. Failure to cooperate or take corrective action may result in further punitive actions and/or termination of this Agreement.
- C. Notwithstanding the above requirement, as the funds associated with this Agreement are pass-through funds from other State or Federal agencies, CONTRACTOR may be subject to programmatic review by agencies of the State of California or the Federal Government. Any disallowance based on a review by the State of California or the Federal Government are the responsibility of the CONTRACTOR.
- D. CONTRACTOR agrees to make all of its premises, physical facilities, equipment, books, records, documents, contracts, computers, or other electronic systems pertaining to Medi-Cal enrollees, Medi-Cal-related activities, services and activities furnished under the terms of the contract, or determinations of amounts payable, available at any time for inspection, examination or copying by COUNTY, Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Inspector General, the United States Comptroller General, their designees, and other authorized federal and state agencies (42 C.F.R. § 438.230(c)(3)(i)-(ii)). This audit right will exist for ten (10) years from the final date of the Contract period or from the date of completion of any audit, whichever is later (42 C.F.R. § 438.230(c)(3)(iii)). COUNTY, DHCS, CMS, or the HHS Inspector General may inspect, evaluate, and audit the CONTRACTOR at any time if there is a reasonable possibility of fraud or similar risk. Inspection shall occur at CONTRACTOR's place of business, premises or physical facilities (42 C.F.R. § 438.230(c)(3)(iv)).
- E. If this Agreement is terminated in accordance with Section XLII, TERMINATION PROVISIONS, COUNTY may conduct a final audit of the CONTRACTOR. Final reimbursement to CONTRACTOR by COUNTY shall not be made until audit results are known and all accounts are reconciled. Revenue collected by CONTRACTOR during this period for services provided under the terms of this Agreement will be regarded as revenue received and deducted as such from the final reimbursement claim.
- F. Any audit disallowance adjustments may be paid in full upon demand or withheld at the discretion of the DIRECTOR against amounts due under this Agreement or previous year's Agreement(s).
- G. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the COUNTY reserves the right, at any time and without a thirty (30) day written notice, to disallow or withhold CONTRACTOR funding if and when required for material non-compliance as it pertains to any provision of this Agreement.

#### **V. COMPLIANCE PLAN**

RUHS-BH has established an Office of Compliance for purposes of ensuring adherence to all standards, rules and regulations related to the provision of services and expenditure of funds in

Federal and State health care programs. CONTRACTOR shall establish its own Compliance Plan/Program and provide documentation to RUHS-BH to evaluate whether the Program is consistent with the elements of a Compliance Program as recommended by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General. CONTRACTOR's Compliance Program must include the following elements:

A. Designation of a compliance officer who reports directly to the Chief Executive Officer and the CONTRACTOR's Board of Directors and compliance committee comprised of senior management who are charged with overseeing the CONTRACTOR's compliance program and compliance with the requirements of this account. The committee shall be accountable to the CONTRACTOR's Board of Directors.

B. Policies and Procedures

Written policies and procedures that articulate the CONTRACTOR's commitment to comply with all applicable Federal and State standards. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to applicable RUHS-BH Policies and Procedures relating to the Compliance Program and/or its own compliance-related policies and procedures.

1. CONTRACTOR shall establish and implement procedures and a system with dedicated staff for routine internal monitoring and auditing of compliance risks, prompt response to compliance issues as they arise, investigation of potential compliance problems as identified in the course of self-evaluation and audits, correction of such problems promptly and thoroughly (or coordination of suspected criminal acts with law enforcement agencies) to reduce the potential for recurrence, and ongoing compliance with the requirements under the Agreement.
2. CONTRACTOR shall implement and maintain written policies for all COUNTY funded employees, and of any contractor or agent, that provide detailed information about the False Claims Act and other Federal and State laws, including information about rights of employees to be protected as whistleblowers.
3. CONTRACTOR shall maintain documentation, verification or acknowledgement that the CONTRACTOR's employees, subcontractors, interns, volunteers, and members of Board of Directors are aware of these Policies and Procedures and the Compliance Program.
4. CONTRACTOR shall have a Compliance Plan demonstrating the seven (7) elements of a Compliance Plan. CONTRACTOR has the option to develop its own or adopt RUHS-BH's Compliance Plan. Should CONTRACTOR develop its own Plan, CONTRACTOR shall submit the Plan prior to implementation for review and approval to:

RUHS-BH Compliance Officer  
P.O. Box 7549  
Riverside, CA 92513

C. Code of Conduct

1. CONTRACTOR shall develop its own Code of Conduct and shall submit the Code prior to implementation to the following RUHS-BH Program for review and approval:

RUHS-BH Compliance Officer  
P.O. Box 7549  
Riverside, CA 92513

2. CONTRACTOR shall distribute to all CONTRACTOR's employees, subcontractors, interns, volunteers, and members of Board of Directors a copy of the Code of Conduct.

CONTRACTOR shall document annually that such persons have received, read, understand and will abide by said Code.

D. Excluded/Ineligible Persons

CONTRACTOR shall comply with Section X. LICENSING related to excluded and ineligible status in Federal and State health care programs. If the CONTRACTOR determines a party that is excluded, or ineligible, it must promptly notify the COUNTY pursuant to 42 C.F.R. §438.608(a)(2) and (a)(4) and the COUNTY will take action consistent with 42 C.F.R. §438.610(d). The CONTRACTOR shall not certify or pay any excluded, or ineligible, provider with Medi-Cal funds, and any such inappropriate payments or overpayments may be subject to recovery and/or be the basis for other sanctions by the appropriate authority. Please also refer to Section XXI. STAFFING and Section XXV. PROHIBITED AFFILIATIONS.

E. Internal Monitoring and Auditing

CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for conducting internal monitoring and auditing of its agency. Internal monitoring and auditing include, but are not limited to billing and coding practices, licensure/credential/registration/waiver verification and adherence to COUNTY, State and Federal regulations.

1. CONTRACTOR shall take reasonable precautions to ensure that the coding of health care claims and billing for same are prepared and submitted in an accurate and timely manner and are consistent with Federal, State and County laws and regulations as well as RUHS-BH's policies and/or agreements with third party payers. This includes compliance with Federal and State health care program regulations and procedures or instructions otherwise communicated by regulatory agencies including the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services or its agents.
2. CONTRACTOR shall not submit false, fraudulent, inaccurate or fictitious claims for payment or reimbursement of any kind.
3. CONTRACTOR shall bill only for those eligible services actually rendered which are also fully documented. When such services are coded, CONTRACTOR shall use only correct billing codes that accurately describe the services provided.
4. CONTRACTOR shall act promptly to investigate and correct any problems or errors in coding of claims and billing, if and when, any such problems or errors are identified by the COUNTY, CONTRACTOR, outside auditors, etc.
5. CONTRACTOR shall ensure all employees/service providers maintain current licensure/credential/registration/waiver status as required by the respective licensing Board, applicable governing State and Local agencies, and Title 9 of the California Code of Regulations.

F. Response to Detected Offenses

CONTRACTOR shall respond to and correct detected health care program offenses relating to this Agreement promptly. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for developing corrective action initiatives for offenses to mitigate the potential for recurrence.

G. Compliance Training

CONTRACTOR is responsible for ensuring its Compliance Officer, and the agency's senior management, employees, and subcontractors attend trainings regarding Federal and State standards and requirements. The Compliance Officer must attend effective training and education related to compliance, including but not limited to, seven (7) elements of a Compliance Program and fraud, waste and abuse. CONTRACTOR is responsible for conducting and tracking Compliance Training for its agency staff. CONTRACTOR is encouraged to attend RUHS-BH Compliance trainings, as offered and available.

H. Enforcement of Standards

CONTRACTOR shall enforce compliance standards uniformly and through well publicized disciplinary guidelines. If CONTRACTOR does not have its own standards, the COUNTY requires the CONTRACTOR utilize RUHS-BH policies and procedures as guidelines when enforcing compliance standards.

I. Communication

CONTRACTOR shall establish and maintain effective lines of communication between its Compliance Officer and CONTRACTOR's employees and subcontractors. CONTRACTOR's employees may use CONTRACTOR's approved Compliance Hotline or RUHS-BH's Compliance Hotline (800-413-9990) to report fraud, waste, abuse or unethical practices. CONTRACTOR shall ensure its Compliance Officer establishes and maintains effective lines of communication with RUHS-BH's Compliance Officer and program.

J. In accordance with the Termination provisions of this Agreement, the COUNTY may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice if CONTRACTOR fails to perform any of the terms of the Compliance provisions. At the COUNTY's sole discretion, CONTRACTOR may be allowed up to thirty (30) days for corrective action.

K. The COUNTY may impose administrative and monetary sanctions, including the temporary withholding of federal financial participation and realignment payments upon the CONTRACTOR for violations of the terms of this contract, and applicable federal and state law and regulations, or the State plan or approved waivers, or for other good cause in accordance with W&I Code § 14197.7 and guidance issued by the Department pursuant to subsection (r) of W&I Code § 14197.7. Please also refer to Exhibit C., Section I. PAYMENT.

**VI. STATUS OF CONTRACTOR**

A. This Agreement is by and between the COUNTY and CONTRACTOR and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between COUNTY and CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR is, and shall at all times be deemed to be, an independent contractor and shall be wholly responsible for the manner in which it performs the services required. CONTRACTOR assumes the exclusive responsibility for the acts of its employees or agents in the performance of the services to be provided. CONTRACTOR shall bear the sole responsibility and liability for furnishing workers' compensation benefits to any of its employees, agents and/or subcontractors to the extent required by applicable law for any injuries arising from or connected with services performed on behalf of COUNTY pursuant to this Agreement.

B. CONTRACTOR certifies that it will comply with all applicable state and federal labor laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, those issued by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) of the U.S. Department of Labor and California Division of Occupational Safety and Health.

C. CONTRACTOR is responsible for payment and deduction of all employment-related taxes on CONTRACTOR'S behalf and for CONTRACTOR'S employees, including, but not limited, to all federal and state income taxes and withholdings. COUNTY shall not be required to make any deductions from compensation payable to CONTRACTOR for these purposes.

D. CONTRACTOR shall indemnify COUNTY against any and all claims that may be made against COUNTY based upon any contention by a third party that an employer-employee relationship exists by reason of this Agreement.

- E. CONTRACTOR shall indemnify COUNTY for any and all federal or state withholding or retirement payments which COUNTY may be required to make pursuant to federal or state law.
- F. CONTRACTOR shall maintain on file at all times, and as deemed applicable and appropriate for CONTRACTOR, the following, but not limited to, organization status-related documentation:
1. Articles of Incorporation;
  2. Any and all Amendment of Articles;
  3. List of Agency's Board of Directors and Advisory Board;
  4. A resolution indicating who is empowered to sign all contract documents pertaining to the agency;
  5. By-laws and minutes of Board meetings; and
  6. All applicable Federal, State and County licenses and certificates.
- G. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the disclosure to COUNTY of ownership, control, and relationship information as required in 42 C.F.R. Sections 455.101, 455.104, 455.105, 455.106, 455.434, and Title 22 of the CCR, Section 51000.35, including but not limited to:
1. Any person with a 5% or more direct or indirect ownership interest in the provider must submit fingerprints when applicable." [42 C.F.R. Sections 455.434(b)(1) and (2)].
  2. The ownership of any subcontractor with whom the CONTRACTOR has had business transactions totaling more than \$25,000 during the 12-month period ending on the date of the request [42 C.F.R Section 455.105(b)(1)].
  3. Any significant business transactions between the CONTRACTOR and any wholly owned supplier, or between the CONTRACTOR and any subcontractor, during the five-year period ending on the date of the request [42 C.F.R Section 455.105(b)(2)].
  4. The identity of any person who has an ownership interest in or is a managing employee of the CONTRACTOR who has been convicted of a crime related to federal health care programs. (42 C.F.R. § 455.106(a)(1) and (2)).
  5. The identity of any person who is an agent of the CONTRACTOR who has been convicted of a crime related to federal health care programs. (42 C.F.R. § 455.106(a)(1) and (2)). For this purpose, the word "agent" has the meaning described in 42 C.F.R. Section 455.101.
  6. CONTRACTOR will submit the disclosures (Attachment E, attached hereto) regarding the entity's ownership and control at any of the following times:
    - a. Upon proposal submission in accordance with COUNTY procurement process;
    - b. Upon executing this Agreement;
    - c. Upon renewal or extension of this Agreement;
    - d. Within 35 days after any change in the CONTRACTOR's ownership; and
    - e. Upon request of RUHS-BH.
  7. Disclosures must include:
    - a. The name and address of any person (individual or corporation) with an ownership or control interest of CONTRACTOR. The address for corporate entities shall include, as applicable, a primary business address, every business location, and a P.O. Box address
    - b. Date of birth and Social Security Number (in the case of an individual)
    - c. Other tax identification number (in the case of a corporation) with an ownership or control interest of CONTRACTOR or in any subcontractor in which CONTRACTOR has a 5% or more interest.
    - d. Whether the person (individual or corporation) with an ownership or control interest of CONTRACTOR is related to another person with ownership or control interest of

CONTRACTOR as a spouse, parent, child, or sibling; or whether the person (individual or corporation) with an ownership or control interest in any subcontractor in which CONTRACTOR entity has a 5% or more interest is related to another person with ownership or control interest of CONTRACTOR entity as a spouse, parent, child, or sibling.

- e. The name of any other disclosing entity in which the CONTRACTOR has an ownership or control interest
- f. The name, address, date of birth and SSN of any managing employee of CONTRACTOR (42 C.F.R. Part 455.104).
- g. The identity of any person who has an ownership interest in or is a managing employee of the Contractor who has been convicted of a crime related to federal health care programs. (42 C.F.R. § 455.106(a)(1) and (2)).
- h. The identity of any person who is an agent of the Contractor who has been convicted of a crime related to federal health care programs. (42 C.F.R. § 455.106(a)(1) and (2)). For this purpose, the word "agent" has the meaning described in 42 C.F.R. section 455.101.

H. CONTRACTOR(s), providers, and subcontractors shall maintain good standing with the California Secretary of State, Internal Revenue Service (IRS), California Franchise Tax Board (FTB), and California Attorney General (AG).

#### **VII. ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE IN STATUS**

- A. An administrative change in status is defined as, but is not limited to, a name change not amounting to a change of ownership, a change in the name of the individual authorized to sign contract documents, moving a facility's service location, when directly related to the services provided hereunder, within the same region, closing a facility with services being offered in another already existing contracted facility, when directly related to the services provided hereunder. If, during the term of the Agreement, there is a change in CONTRACTOR's administrative status, a detailed description of the change must be submitted to COUNTY in writing on CONTRACTOR's letterhead as described below. The letter must be signed by the CONTRACTOR's Chairman of the Board or President or Chief Executive Officer, or its designee, and/or a copy of CONTRACTOR's Board minutes authorizing the change be included.
  - 1. Site addresses, business locations, business ownership, must be provided to COUNTY at least sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of the change.
  - 2. Signatory authority, management, remittance addresses, tax identification numbers, etc. must be to COUNTY within fourteen (14) days of the date of change.
- B. CONTRACTOR is responsible for providing to the COUNTY, annually, at the beginning of each fiscal year and upon execution of the CONTRACTOR's Agreement, emergency and/or after-hours contact information for the CONTRACTOR's organization. CONTRACTOR's emergency and/or after hours contact information shall include, but is not limited to, first and last name of emergency and/or after hours contact, telephone number, cellular phone number, and applicable address(s). CONTRACTOR shall provide this information to the COUNTY at the same time the CONTRACTOR provides the COUNTY with annual insurance renewals and/or changes to insurance coverage.
- C. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for updating this information, immediately and in writing, when changes in CONTRACTOR's emergency and/or after hours contact information occurs during the fiscal year or prior to the end of the fiscal year. Written CONTRACTOR's updates

of this information shall be provided to the COUNTY in accordance with Section XLVI. NOTICES, of this Agreement.

- D. Other changes to the Agreement may result in a more formal Agreement amendment. Involuntary changes of status due to disasters should be reported to the COUNTY as soon as possible.

#### **VIII. DELEGATION AND ASSIGNMENT**

- A. CONTRACTOR may not delegate the obligations hereunder, either in whole or in part, without prior written consent of COUNTY; provided, however, obligations undertaken by CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement may be carried out by means of subcontracts, provided such subcontracts are approved in writing by the DIRECTOR (or his designee), prior to CONTRACTOR's finalization of the subcontract, meet the requirements of this Agreement as they relate to the service or activity under subcontract, and include any provisions that the DIRECTOR may require, nor shall any subcontract result in, or imply, the creation of a relationship between the COUNTY and any subcontractor.
- B. No subcontract shall terminate or alter the responsibilities of CONTRACTOR to COUNTY pursuant to this Agreement.
- C. CONTRACTOR may not assign the rights hereunder, either in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of COUNTY. Any attempted assignment or delegation in derogation of this paragraph shall be void.
- D. Any change in the corporate or business structure of CONTRACTOR, such as a change in ownership or majority ownership change resulting in a change to the Federal Tax ID, shall be deemed an assignment for purposes of this paragraph.

#### **IX. ALTERATION**

No alteration or variation of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by the parties hereto and no oral understanding or agreement not incorporated herein, shall be binding on any of the parties hereto.

#### **X. LICENSES**

- A. CONTRACTOR warrants that it has all necessary licenses, permits, approvals, certifications, waivers, and/or exemptions necessary to provide services hereunder, and as required the laws and regulations of the United States, State of California, the County of Riverside and local governments, and all other appropriate governmental agencies.
- B. All Substance Abuse Prevention Treatment (SAPT) providers will be licensed and/or certified as Drug Medi-Cal and Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) providers by the State.
- C. CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain these licenses, permits, approvals, certifications, waivers, and exemptions, etc. throughout the term of this Agreement.
- D. CONTRACTOR shall notify DIRECTOR, or its designee, immediately and in writing of its inability to maintain, irrespective of the pendency of an appeal of such licenses, permits, approvals, certifications, waivers or exemptions.

## **XI. INDEMNIFICATION**

CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold harmless the State of California, County of Riverside, its Agencies, Districts, Special Districts and Departments, their respective directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents and representatives (individually and collectively hereinafter referred to as Indemnitees) from any liability whatsoever, based or asserted upon any services of CONTRACTOR, its officers, employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives arising out of or in any way relating to this Agreement, including but not limited to property damage, bodily injury, or death or any other element of any kind or nature whatsoever arising from the performance of CONTRACTOR, its officers, employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives Indemnitors from this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall defend, at its sole expense, all costs and fees including, but not limited, to attorney fees, cost of investigation, defense and settlements or awards, the Indemnitees in any claim or action based upon such alleged acts or omissions.

With respect to any action or claim subject to indemnification herein by CONTRACTOR, CONTRACTOR shall, at their sole cost, have the right to use counsel of their own choice and shall have the right to adjust, settle, or compromise any such action or claim without the prior consent of COUNTY; provided, however, that any such adjustment, settlement or compromise in no manner whatsoever limits or circumscribes CONTRACTOR'S indemnification to Indemnitees as set forth herein.

CONTRACTOR'S obligation hereunder shall be satisfied when CONTRACTOR has provided to COUNTY the appropriate form of dismissal relieving COUNTY from any liability for the action or claim involved. The specified insurance limits required in this Agreement shall in no way limit or circumscribe CONTRACTOR'S obligations to indemnify and hold harmless the Indemnitees herein from third party claims.

In the event there is conflict between this clause and California Civil Code Section 2782, this clause shall be interpreted to comply with Civil Code 2782. Such interpretation shall not relieve the CONTRACTOR from indemnifying the Indemnitees to the fullest extent allowed by law.

## **XII. INSURANCE**

Without limiting or diminishing the CONTRACTOR'S obligation to indemnify or hold the COUNTY harmless, CONTRACTOR shall procure and maintain the following insurance coverage during the term of this Agreement. With respect to the insurance section only, the COUNTY herein refers to the County of Riverside, its Agencies, Districts, Special Districts, and Departments, their respective directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, employees, elected or appointed officials, agents, or representatives as Additional Insureds.

### **A. Workers' Compensation**

If CONTRACTOR has employees as defined by the State of California, CONTRACTOR shall maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance (Coverage A) as prescribed by the laws of the State of California. Policy shall include Employers' Liability (Coverage B) including Occupational Disease with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per person per accident. Policy shall be endorsed to waive subrogation in favor of the COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE.

### **B. Commercial General Liability**

Commercial General Liability insurance coverage, including but not limited to, premises liability, unmodified contractual liability, products and completed operations liability, personal and advertising injury, and cross liability coverage, covering claims which may arise from or out of CONTRACTOR'S performance of its obligations hereunder. Policy shall name the

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE as an Additional Insured. Policy's limit of liability shall not be less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence combined single limit. If such insurance contains a general aggregate limit, it shall apply separately to this Agreement or be no less than two (2) times the occurrence limit.

C. Fidelity Bond

CONTRACTOR agrees to a Fidelity Bond or Crime Insurance policy equal to the maximum Agreement amount. Such coverage shall protect against all loss of money, securities, or other valuable property entrusted by COUNTY to CONTRACTOR and applies to all of CONTRACTOR'S directors, officers, agents and employees who regularly handle or have responsibility for such money, securities or property. The COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE and its Agents shall be named as a Loss Payee as its interests may appear. This insurance shall include third party fidelity coverage, include coverage for loss due to theft, mysterious disappearance, and computer fraud/theft, and shall not contain a requirement for an arrest and/or conviction.

D. Vehicle Liability

If vehicles or mobile equipment are used in the performance of the obligations under this Agreement, then CONTRACTOR shall maintain liability insurance for all owned, non-owned or hired vehicles so used in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence combined single limit. If such insurance contains a general aggregate limit, it shall apply separately to this agreement or be no less than two (2) times the occurrence limit. Policy shall name the COUNTY as Additional Insureds.

E. Professional Liability

CONTRACTOR shall maintain Professional Liability Insurance providing coverage for CONTRACTOR'S performance of work included within this Agreement, with a limit of liability of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 annual aggregate. If CONTRACTOR'S Professional Liability Insurance is written on a 'claims made' basis rather than on an 'occurrence' basis, such insurance shall continue through the term of this Agreement. Upon termination of this Agreement or the expiration or cancellation of the claims made insurance policy CONTRACTOR shall purchase at his sole expense either 1) an Extended Reporting Endorsement (also known as Tail Coverage); or, 2) Prior Dates Coverage from a new insurer with a retroactive date back to the date of, or prior to, the inception of this Agreement; or, 3) demonstrate through Certificates of Insurance that CONTRACTOR has maintained continuous coverage with the same or original insurer. Coverage provided under this section shall continue for a period of five (5) years beyond the termination of this Agreement. Policy shall name COUNTY as an additional insured.

F. Cyber Liability

CONTRACTOR shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to person or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by CONTRACTOR, its agents, representatives, or employees. CONTRACTOR shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance claims arising out of their services and including, but not limited to loss, damage, theft or other misuse of data, infringement of intellectual property, invasion of privacy and breach of data.

Cyber Liability Insurance, with limits not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence or claim, \$2,000,000 aggregate. Coverage shall be sufficiently broad to respond to the duties and obligations as is undertaken by CONTRACTOR in this agreement and shall include, but not

limited to, claims involving infringement of intellectual property, including but not limited to infringement of copyright, trademark, trade dress, invasion of privacy violations, information theft, damage to or destruction of electronic information, release of private information, alteration of electronic information, extortion and network security. The policy shall provide coverage for breach response costs as well as regulatory fines and penalties as well as credit monitoring expenses with limits sufficient to respond to these obligations.

If CONTRACTOR maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the COUNTY requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or higher limits maintained by the CONTRACTOR. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to COUNTY. Policy shall name the COUNTY as Additional Insureds.

G. Sexual Abuse or Molestation (SAM) Liability

If the work will include contact with minors, and the Commercial General Liability policy is not endorsed to include affirmative coverage for sexual abuse or molestation, CONTRACTOR shall obtain and maintain a policy covering Sexual Abuse and Molestation with a limit no less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence or claim.

H. General Insurance Provisions – All Lines

1. Any insurance carrier providing insurance coverage hereunder shall be admitted to the State of California and have an A M BEST rating of not less than A: VIII (A:8) unless such requirements are waived, in writing, by the COUNTY Risk Manager. If the COUNTY's Risk Manager waives a requirement for a particular insurer such waiver is only valid for that specific insurer and only for one policy term.
2. The CONTRACTOR must declare its insurance self-insured retention for each coverage required herein. If any such self-insured retention exceeds \$500,000 per occurrence each such retention shall have the prior written consent of the COUNTY Risk Manager before the commencement of operations under this Agreement. Upon notification of self-insured retention unacceptable to the COUNTY, and at the election of the COUNTY's Risk Manager, CONTRACTOR'S carriers shall either; 1) reduce or eliminate such self-insured retention as respects this Agreement with the COUNTY, or 2) procure a bond which guarantees payment of losses and related investigations, claims administration, and defense costs and expenses.
3. CONTRACTOR shall cause CONTRACTOR'S insurance carrier(s) to furnish the County of Riverside with either 1) a properly executed original Certificate(s) of Insurance and certified original copies of Endorsements effecting coverage as required herein, and 2) if requested to do so orally or in writing by the COUNTY Risk Manager, provide original Certified copies of policies including all Endorsements and all attachments thereto, showing such insurance is in full force and effect. Further, said Certificate(s) and policies of insurance shall contain the covenant of the insurance carrier(s) that a minimum of thirty (30) days written notice shall be given to the County of Riverside prior to any material modification, cancellation, expiration or reduction in coverage of such insurance. If CONTRACTOR insurance carrier(s) policies do not meet the minimum notice requirement found herein, CONTRACTOR shall cause CONTRACTOR'S insurance carrier(s) to furnish a 30-day Notice of Cancellation Endorsement.
4. In the event of a material modification, cancellation, expiration, or reduction in coverage, this Agreement shall terminate forthwith, unless the County of Riverside receives, prior to such effective date, another properly executed original Certificate of Insurance and original copies of endorsements or certified original policies, including all endorsements and attachments thereto evidencing coverage's set forth herein and the insurance required

herein is in full force and effect. CONTRACTOR shall not commence operations until the COUNTY has been furnished original Certificate (s) of Insurance and certified original copies of endorsements and if requested, certified original policies of insurance including all endorsements and any and all other attachments as required in this Section. An individual authorized by the insurance carrier to do so on its behalf shall sign the original endorsements for each policy and the Certificate of Insurance. Certificates of insurance and certified original copies of Endorsements effecting coverage as required herein shall be delivered to Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health, P.O. Box 7549, Riverside, CA 92513-7549, Contracts Administration.

5. It is understood and agreed to by the parties hereto that the CONTRACTOR'S insurance shall be construed as primary insurance, and the COUNTY'S insurance and/or deductibles and/or self-insured retentions or self-insured programs shall not be construed as contributory.
6. If, during the term of this Agreement or any extension thereof, there is a material change in the scope of services; or, there is a material change in the equipment to be used in the performance of the scope of work; or, the term of this Agreement, including any extensions thereof, exceeds five (5) years; the COUNTY reserves the right to adjust the types of insurance and the monetary limits of liability required under this Agreement, if in the County Risk Management's reasonable judgment, the amount or type of insurance carried by the CONTRACTOR has become inadequate.
7. CONTRACTOR shall pass down the insurance obligations contained herein to all tiers of subcontractors working under this Agreement.
8. The insurance requirements contained in this Agreement may be met with a program(s) of self-insurance acceptable to the COUNTY.
9. CONTRACTOR agrees to notify COUNTY of any claim by a third party or any incident or event that may give rise to a claim arising from the performance of this Agreement.
10. Failure by CONTRACTOR to procure and maintain the required insurance shall constitute a material breach of the Agreement upon which COUNTY may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

### **XIII. LIMITATION OF COUNTY LIABILITY**

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the liability of COUNTY shall not exceed the amount of funds appropriated in the support of this Agreement by the California Legislature.

### **XIV. WARRANTY AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES**

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

For CONTRACTOR's breach or violation of this warranty, COUNTY may, at its sole discretion, deduct from the Agreement price of consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

### **XV. NON-DISCRIMINATION**

#### **A. Employment**

1. Affirmative Action shall be taken to ensure applicants and employees are treated without regard to their race, religion, color, creed, gender, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, age, marital status, physical, sensory, cognitive or mental disabilities (Age Discrimination Act in Employment [29 C.F.R. Part 1625], Title I of the Americans with

Disabilities Act [29 C.F.R. Part 1630]), as well as all applicable regulations and guidelines issued pursuant to the ADA. (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.). Such affirmative action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, promotion, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rate of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. There shall be posted in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices from DIRECTOR, or his designee, and/or the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission setting forth the provisions of this Section.

2. All solicitations or advertisements for recruitment of employment placed by or on behalf of CONTRACTOR shall state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, religion, color, creed, gender, national origin, age, sexual orientation, marital status or physical, sensory, cognitive or mental disabilities.
3. Each labor union or representative of workers with which CONTRACTOR has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract, or understanding must post a notice advising the labor union or worker's representative of the commitments under this Nondiscrimination Section and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
4. In the event of noncompliance with this section or as otherwise provided by State and Federal law, this Agreement may be terminated or suspended in whole or in part and CONTRACTOR may be declared ineligible for future contracts involving Federal, State, or COUNTY funds.

B. Services, Benefits, and Facilities

1. CONTRACTOR certifies that CONTRACTOR and any or all of its subcontractors shall not unlawfully discriminate in the provision of services because of race, religion, color, creed, gender, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, age, familial status, or physical, sensory, cognitive, or mental disability as provided by state and federal law, including, but not limited to, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. Section 2000(d) et seq.); Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. Section 3601 et seq.) Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. Section 6101 et seq.); Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. Section 794); Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. Section 1681 et seq.); Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Section 12101 et seq.); 45 C.F.R. Part 84; provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act and regulations promulgated hereunder (Government Code Section 12900 et seq. and 2 C.C.R. Section 7285 et seq.); Government Code Section 11135 et seq.; 9 C.C.R. Section 10800 et seq., 42 CFR Section 438.206(b)(1) and (c)(3), and 42 C.F.R. § 438.3(d)(3) and 42 C.F.R. § 438.3(d)(4).
2. For the purpose of this Agreement, discrimination on the basis of race, religion, color, creed, gender, national origin, age, marital status, sexual orientation, or physical, sensory, cognitive, or mental disability includes, but is not limited to, the following: denying an otherwise eligible individual any service or providing benefit which is different, or is provided in a different manner or at a different time, from that provided to others under this Agreement; subjecting any otherwise eligible individual to segregation or separate treatment in any matter related to the receipt of any services; restricting an otherwise eligible individual in any way in the enjoyment of any advantages or privilege enjoyed by others receiving any services or benefit; and/or treating any individual differently from others in determining whether such individual satisfied any admission, enrollment, eligibility, membership, or other requirement or condition which individuals must meet in order to be provided any service or benefit.
3. CONTRACTOR shall further establish and maintain written procedures under which any person, applying for or receiving services hereunder, may seek resolution from

CONTRACTOR of a complaint with respect to any alleged discrimination in the provision of services by CONTRACTOR's personnel. Such procedures shall also include a provision whereby any such person, who is dissatisfied with CONTRACTOR's resolution of the matter, shall be referred by CONTRACTOR to the DIRECTOR, or his authorized designee, for the purpose of presenting his or her complaint of alleged discrimination. Such procedures shall also indicate that if such person is not satisfied with COUNTY's resolution or decision with respect to the complaint of alleged discrimination, he or she may appeal the matter to the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). CONTRACTOR will maintain a written log of complaints for a period of ten (10) years.

4. Where services hereunder are provided in a facility under CONTRACTOR's control, CONTRACTOR will maintain a safe facility in accordance with Title 9 C.C.R. Section 1810.435(b)(2).
5. CONTRACTOR will store and dispense medications in compliance with all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations and COUNTY's "Medication Guidelines," available from the COUNTY Quality Improvement – Outpatient Division.
6. Where services hereunder are provided in a facility under CONTRACTOR's control, a completed ADA/504 Self-Evaluation (Access to Services) Plan, including a Checklist for Accessibility, must be submitted as a part of the application process requirement for contracting. Existing facilities must provide a current written ADA/504 (Access to Services) Plan to the COUNTY at each renewal, including a current Disability Admission and Referral Policy developed in conjunction with the appropriate RUHS-BH Program Administration.
7. CONTRACTORs that relocate must find space that is accessible. CONTRACTORs that renovate their existing space must meet accessibility standards in order to maintain funding, certification or licensure.
8. CONTRACTORs that are not currently accessible to people with disabilities must have a written and posted referral policy and plan developed in conjunction with the appropriate RUHS-BH Program Administration and members must be provided with a copy of this policy.
9. CONTRACTOR shall not be required to provide, reimburse for, or provide coverage of a counseling or referral service if the CONTRACTOR objects to the service on moral or religious grounds.
10. If CONTRACTOR elects not to provide, reimburse for, or provide coverage of a counseling or referral service because of an objection on moral or religious grounds, it must furnish information about the services it does not cover as follows:
  - a. To RUHS-BH Program Administrator;
  - b. When Agreement is executed;
  - c. Whenever CONTRACTOR adopts the policy during the term of the Agreement;
  - d. Consistent with the provisions of 42 Code of Federal Regulations part 438.10;
  - e. To potential members before and during enrollment; and
  - f. To members at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of the policy for any particular service.
11. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that services provided are available and accessible to member in a timely manner including those with limited English proficiency or physical or mental disabilities. CONTRACTOR shall provide physical access, reasonable accommodations, and accessible equipment for Medi-Cal member with physical or mental disabilities (42 C.F.R. Sections 438.206(b)(1) and (c)(3)).
12. CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate against member on the basis of health status or need for health care services, pursuant to 42 C.F.R. Section 438.3(d)(3). CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate against Medi-Cal eligible individuals who require an assessment or meet medical necessity criteria for specialty mental health services on the basis of race,

color, gender, gender identity, religion, marital status, national origin, age, sexual orientation, or mental or physical handicap or disability and will not use any policy or practice that has the effect of discriminating on the basis of race, color, gender, gender identity, religion, marital status, national origin, age, sexual orientation, or mental or physical handicap or disability (42 C.F.R. Section 438.3(d)(4)).

#### **XVI. PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. Section 794) and all requirements as imposed by the applicable Federal Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) regulations (45 C.F.R. Part 84), and all guidelines and interpretations issued pursuant thereto. No qualified person with a disability shall, on the basis of their disability be excluded from participation, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program, service activity or employment opportunity provided by programs licensed or certified under this Agreement or by DHCS.

Further, CONTRACTOR agrees to ensure that deliverables developed and produced, pursuant to this Agreement shall comply with the accessibility requirements of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1973 as amended (29 U.S.C. Section 794 (d), and regulations implementing that act as set forth in Title 36 C.F.R. Part 1194. In 1998, Congress amended the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to require Federal agencies to make their electronic and information technology (EIT) accessible to people with disabilities. California Government Code Section 11135 codifies section 508 of the Act requiring accessibility of electronic and information technology.

#### **XVII. REPORTS**

Adherence to reporting requirements, as described herein (XVII, Subsections A-I), will be monitored by the COUNTY Contract Monitoring Team. When deficiencies or areas needing improvement are identified, CONTRACTOR agrees to implement corrective actions and respond to administrative findings. Failure to comply with reporting requirement(s) may result in the withholding of CONTRACTOR payments until CONTRACTOR is found to be in compliance.

- A. CONTRACTOR shall participate in the COUNTY's Management Information System (MIS) as required by DIRECTOR, or authorized designee. CONTRACTOR shall report to the program applicable member and staff related data regarding the CONTRACTOR's program by the fifth (5th) calendar day of the following month.
- B. CONTRACTOR's receiving any public funding for SAPT services, including Narcotic Treatment Program (NTP)/Opioid Treatment Program (OTP) CONTRACTORS, must report California Outcome Measurement Service (CalOMS) data for all members receiving treatment, whether those individual member services are funded by public funds or not.
- C. CONTRACTOR shall provide the COUNTY with applicable reporting documentation as specified and/or required by the COUNTY, DHCS and Federal guidelines. COUNTY may provide additional instructions on reporting requirements.
- D. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the treatment and prevention data quality standards established by the State. Failure to meet these standards on an ongoing basis may result in withholding funds.
- E. If CONTRACTOR provides SAPT services, CONTRACTOR shall submit DATAR (Drug and Alcohol Treatment Access Reports) to the State, due by the 10th day following the end of

each month. All providers must log onto the State DHCS website at <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Pages/default.aspx> and follow the prompts to submit the DATAR Form. In addition, COUNTY will monitor CONTRACTOR DATAR submissions on a monthly basis through the DATAR website. Failure to comply with the DATAR requirements may result in the withholding of CONTRACTOR payments until CONTRACTOR is found to be in compliance with this requirement by the COUNTY.

- F. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the State reporting requirements pursuant to 9 C.C.R. Section 10561. Upon the occurrence of any of the events listed hereafter, the CONTRACTOR shall make a telephonic report to the State department licensing staff (hereinafter "State") within one (1) working day. CONTRACTOR shall submit an Adverse Incident Report form, Attachment C, to the COUNTY within twenty-four (24) hours of the incident and a written report to the State within seven (7) days of the event. If a report to local authorities exists which meets the requirements cited, a copy of such a report will suffice for the written report required by the COUNTY.
1. Events reported shall include:
    - a. Death of any resident from any cause;
    - b. Any facility related injury of any resident that requires medical treatment;
    - c. All cases of communicable disease reportable under 17 C.C.R. Section 2502 shall be reported to the local health officer in addition to the State;
    - d. Poisonings;
    - e. Catastrophes such as flooding, tornado, earthquake or any other natural disaster; and,
    - f. Fires or explosions that occur in or on the premises.
  2. Information provided shall include the following:
    - a. Consumer name, age, sex, and date of admission;
    - b. Date, time and nature of the event;
    - c. Attending physician's name, findings and treatment, if any; and,
    - d. The items below shall be reported to the COUNTY within ten (10) working days following the occurrence:
      - a. The organizational changes specified in 9 C.C.R. Section 10561(a) of this subchapter;
      - b. Any change in the licensee's or applicant's mailing address; and,
      - c. Any change of the administrator of the facility. Such notification shall include the new administrator's name, address and qualifications.
- G. COUNTY reserves the right to perform a further investigation of any and all adverse incidents as outlined in paragraph F above at their discretion. Based on the outcome of the adverse incident investigation, COUNTY may suspend CONTRACTOR referrals or terminate CONTRACTOR'S Agreement until CONTRACTOR takes corrective action to the satisfaction of COUNTY.
- H. CONTRACTOR must adhere to all applicable Federal, State and County reporting requirements as mandated. The COUNTY shall provide necessary instructions and direction to CONTRACTOR regarding COUNTY policies and procedures for meeting requirements.
- I. CONTRACTOR shall report member and staff data about the CONTRACTOR's program and services as required by the DIRECTOR, or its authorized designee, or by the State, regarding the CONTRACTOR's activities as they affect the duties, roles, responsibilities, and purposes contained in this Agreement, and as may be specifically referenced in Exhibit A. COUNTY shall provide CONTRACTOR with at least thirty (30) days prior written notice of any additional,

required reports in this matter. COUNTY shall provide instructions on the reporting requirements as required herein.

#### **XVIII. HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (HIPAA)**

CONTRACTOR is subject to all relevant requirements contained in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), Public Law 104-191, enacted August 21, 1996, Title 42 C.F.R. Part 2, as applicable, and the laws and regulations promulgated subsequent thereto. The CONTRACTOR hereto agrees to cooperate in accordance with the terms and intent of this Agreement for implementation of relevant law(s) and/or regulation(s) promulgated under this law.

#### **XIX. CONFIDENTIALITY**

CONTRACTOR shall maintain the confidentiality of all its records, including but not limited to COUNTY records, member records/charts, billing records, research and member identifying reports, and the COUNTY's Management Information System in accordance with WIC Sections 14100.2 and 5328 et seq., 42 C.F.R. Section 431.300 et seq., 42 U.S.C. Section 1320d et seq., the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Parts 142, 160, 162 and 164, and all other applicable COUNTY, State and Federal laws, regulations, ordinances and directives relating to confidentiality and security of member records and information.

A. Pursuant to its contract with the State Department of Health Care Services, RUHS-BH requires CONTRACTOR adhere to the following data security requirements:

1. Personnel Controls

Employee Training. CONTRACTORS and its employees who assist in the performance of functions or activities on behalf of RUHS-BH, or access or disclose RUHS-BH Protected Health Information (PHI) or Personal Information (PI) must complete information privacy and security training, at least annually, at CONTRACTOR's expense. Each workforce member who receives information about privacy and security training must sign a certification, indicating the member's name and the date on which the training was completed. These certifications must be retained for a period of ten (10) years from the final date of the contract period or from the date of completion of any audit, whichever is later.

2. Employee Discipline

Appropriate sanctions must be applied against workforce members who fail to comply with privacy policies and procedures or any provisions of these requirements, including termination of employment where appropriate.

3. Confidentiality Statement

All persons that will be working with RUHS-BH PHI or PI must sign a confidentiality statement that includes, at a minimum, General Use, Security and Privacy Safeguards, Unacceptable Use, and Enforcement Policies. The Statement must be signed by the workforce member prior to accessing RUHS-BH PHI or PI. The statement must be renewed annually. The CONTRACTOR shall retain each person's written confidentiality statement for RUHS-BH inspection for a period of ten (10) years from the final date of the contract period or from the date of completion of any audit, whichever is later.

4. Background Check

Before a member of the workforce may access RUHS-BH PHI or PI, a background screening of that worker must be conducted. The screening should be commensurate with the risk and magnitude of harm the employee could cause, with more thorough screening being done for those employees who are authorized to bypass significant technical and operational security controls. CONTRACTOR shall retain each workforce members'

background check documentation for a period of ten (10) years from the final date of the contract period or from the date of completion of any audit, whichever is later.

5. Technical Security Controls

a. Workstation/Laptop Encryption

All workstations and laptops that store RUHS-BH PHI or PI either directly or temporarily must be encrypted using a FIPS 140-2 certified algorithm which is 128bit or higher, such as Advanced Encryption Standard (AES). The encryption solution must be full disk unless approved in writing by RUHS-BH's Office of Information Technology.

b. Server Security

Servers containing unencrypted RUHS-BH PHI or PI must have sufficient administrative, physical, and technical controls in place to protect that data, based upon a risk assessment/system security review.

c. Minimum Necessary

Only the minimum necessary amount of RUHS-BH PHI or PI required to perform necessary business functions may be copied, downloaded, or exported.

d. Removable Media Devices

All electronic files that contain RUHS-BH PHI or PI data must be encrypted when stored on any removable media or portable device (i.e. USB thumb drives, floppies, CD/DVD, Blackberry, backup tapes, etc.). Encryption must be a FIPS 140-2 certified algorithm which is 128 bit or higher, such as AES.

e. Antivirus Software

All workstations, laptops and other systems that process and/or store RUHS-BH PHI or PI must install and actively use comprehensive anti-virus software solution with automatic updates scheduled at least daily.

f. Patch Management

All workstations, laptops and other systems that process and/or store RUHS-BH PHI or PI must have critical security patches applied with system reboot if necessary. There must be a documented patch management process which determines installation timeframe based on risk assessment and vendor recommendations. At a maximum, all applicable patches must be installed within thirty (30) days of vendor release. Applications and systems that cannot be patched within this time frame due to significant operational reasons must have compensatory controls implemented to minimize risk until the patches can be installed. Application and systems that cannot be patched must have compensatory controls implemented to minimize risk, where possible.

g. User IDs and Password Controls

All users must be issued a unique username for accessing RUHS-BH PHI or PI. Username must be promptly disabled, deleted, or the password changed upon the transfer or termination of an employee with knowledge of the password. Passwords are not to be shared. Passwords must be at least eight characters and must be a non-dictionary word. Passwords must not be stored in readable format on the computer. Passwords must be changed at least every ninety (90) days, preferably every sixty (60) days. Passwords must be changed if revealed or compromised. Passwords must be composed of characters from at least three of the following four groups from the standard keyboard:

- a. Upper case letters (A-Z)
- b. Lower case letters (a-z)
- c. Arabic numerals (0-9)
- d. Non-alphanumeric characters (punctuation symbols)

- h. Data Destruction  
When no longer needed, all RUHS-BH PHI or PI must be wiped using the Gutmann or U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) 5220.22-M (7 Pass) standard, or by degaussing. Media may also be physically destroyed in accordance with NIST Special Publication 800-88. Other methods require prior written permission from RUHS-BH's Office of Information Technology.
  - i. System Timeout  
The system providing access to RUHS-BH PHI or PI must provide an automatic timeout, requiring re-authentication of the user session after no more than twenty (20) minutes of inactivity.
  - j. Warning Banners  
All systems providing access to RUHS-BH PHI or PI must display a warning banner stating that data is confidential, systems are logged, and system use is for business purposes only by authorized users. User must be directed to log off the system if they do not agree with these requirements.
  - k. System Logging  
The system must maintain an automated audit trail which can identify the user or system process which initiates a request for RUHS-BH PHI or PI, or which alters RUHS-BH PHI or PI. The audit trail must be date and time stamped, must log both successful and failed accesses, must be read only, and must be restricted to authorized users. If RUHS-BH PHI or PI are stored in a database, database logging functionality must be enabled. Audit trail data must be archived for at least ten (10) years from the final date of the contract period or from the date of completion of any audit, whichever is later.
  - l. Access Controls  
The system providing access to RUHS-BH PHI or PI must use role-based access controls for all user authentications, enforcing the principle of least privilege.
  - m. Transmission Encryption  
All data transmissions of RUHS-BH PHI or PI outside the secure internal network must be encrypted using a FIPS 140-2 certified algorithm which is 128-bit or higher, such as AES. Encryption can be end-to-end at the network level, or the data files containing RUHS-BH PHI can be encrypted. This requirement pertains to any type of RUHS-BH PHI or PI in motion such as website access, file transfer, and E-Mail.
  - n. Intrusion Detection  
All systems involved in accessing, holding, transporting, and protecting RUHS-BH PHI or PI that are accessible via the Internet must be protected by a comprehensive intrusion detection and prevention solution.
6. **Audit Controls**  
System Security Review. CONTRACTOR must ensure audit control mechanisms that record and examine system activity are in place. All systems processing and/or storing RUHS-BH PHI or PI must have at least an annual system risk assessment/security review which provides assurance that administrative, physical, and technical controls are functioning effectively and providing adequate levels of protection. Reviews should include vulnerability scanning tools.
7. **Log Review**  
All systems processing and/or storing RUHS-BH PHI or PI must have a routine procedure in place to review system logs for unauthorized access.
8. **Change Control**  
All systems processing and/or storing RUHS-BH PHI or PI must have a documented change control procedure that ensures separation of duties and protects the confidentiality, integrity and availability of data.

9. Business Continuity/Disaster Recovery Controls

a. Emergency Mode Operation Plan

CONTRACTOR must establish a documented plan to enable continuation of critical business processes and protection of the security of RUHS-BH PHI or PI held in an electronic format in the event of an emergency. Emergency means any circumstance or situation that causes normal computer operations to become unavailable for use in performing the work required under this Agreement for more than 24 hours.

b. Data Backup Plan

CONTRACTOR must have established documented procedures to backup RUHS-BH PHI to maintain retrievable and exact copies of RUHS-BH PHI or PI. The plan must include a regular schedule for making backups, storing backups offsite, an inventory of backup media, and an estimate of the amount of time needed to restore RUHS-BH PHI or PI should it be lost. At a minimum, the schedule must be a weekly full backup and monthly offsite storage of RUHS-BH data.

10. Paper Document Controls

a. Supervision of Data

RUHS-BH PHI or PI in paper form shall not be left unattended at any time, unless it is locked in a file cabinet, file room, desk or office. Unattended means that information is not being observed by an employee authorized to access the information. RUHS-BH PHI or PI in paper form shall not be left unattended at any time in vehicles or planes and shall not be checked in baggage on commercial airplanes.

b. Escorting Visitors

Visitors to areas where RUHS-BH PHI or PI are contained shall be escorted and RUHS-BH PHI or PI shall be kept out of sight while visitors are in the area.

c. Confidential Destruction

RUHS-BH PHI or PI must be disposed of through confidential means, such as crosscut shredding and pulverizing.

d. Removal of Data

Only the minimum necessary RUHS-BH PHI or PI may be removed from the premises of CONTRACTOR except with express written permission of RUHS-BH. RUHS-BH PHI or PI shall not be considered "removed from the premises" if it is only being transported from one of CONTRACTOR's locations to another of CONTRACTOR's locations.

e. Faxing

Faxes containing RUHS-BH PHI or PI shall not be left unattended and fax machines shall be in secure areas. Faxes shall contain a confidentiality statement notifying persons receiving faxes in error to destroy them. Fax numbers shall be verified with the intended recipient before sending the fax.

f. Mailing

Mailings containing RUHS-BH PHI or PI shall be sealed and secured from damage or inappropriate viewing of such PHI or PI to the extent possible. Mailings which include 500 or more individually identifiable records of RUHS-BH PHI or PI in a single package shall be sent using a tracked mailing method which includes verification of delivery and receipt, unless the prior written permission of RUHS-BH to use another method is obtained.

- B. During the term of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall notify COUNTY, immediately upon discovery of any breach of Protected Health Information (PHI) and/or data where the information and/or data is reasonably believed to have been acquired by an unauthorized person. Immediate notification shall be made to the COUNTY Behavioral Health Compliance Officer within two (2) business days of discovery at (800) 413-9990. CONTRACTOR shall

take prompt corrective action to cure any deficiencies and any action pertaining to such unauthorized disclosures as required by applicable Federal, State and or County laws and regulations. CONTRACTOR shall investigate such breach and provide a written report of the investigation to the COUNTY Behavioral Health Compliance Officer, postmarked within thirty (30) working days of the discovery of the breach to the address as follows:

RUHS-BH Compliance Officer  
P.O. Box 7549  
Riverside, CA 92513

- C. If the security breach requires notification under Civil Code Section 1798.82, CONTRACTOR agrees to assist the COUNTY in any way, in any action pertaining to such unauthorized disclosure required by applicable, Federal, State and/or County laws and regulations.
- D. If CONTRACTOR receives any requests by subpoena, from attorneys, insurers or as it relates to this Agreement, not including member records requests, CONTRACTOR will provide COUNTY with a copy of any document released as a result of such request, and will provide the name, address and telephone number of the requesting party.
- E. For the purposes of the above paragraphs, identifying information is considered to be any information that reasonably identifies an individual in their past, present, or future physical or mental condition. This includes, but is not limited to, any combination of the person's first and last name, address, Social Security Number, date of birth, identifying number, symbol, or other identifying particulars assigned to the individual, such as fingerprint or photograph.

#### **XX. RECORDS/INFORMATION AND RECORD RETENTION**

All records shall be available for inspection by the designated auditors of COUNTY, State Department of Justice, State DHCS, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the U.S Office of the Inspector General at reasonable times during normal business hours. CONTRACTOR shall retain, all records and documents originated or prepared pursuant to CONTRACTOR's or subcontractor's performance under this Agreement, including beneficiary grievance and appeal records, and the data, information and documentation specified in 42 C.F.R. Parts 438.604, 438.606, 438.608, and 438.610 for a period of no less than ten (10) years from the term end date of this Contract or until such time as the matter under audit or investigation has been resolved. Records include but are not limited to all physical and electronic records originated or prepared pursuant to the performance under this Agreement including, but not limited to, working papers, reports, financial records or books of account, medical records, prescription files, subcontracts, any and other documentation pertaining to medical and non-medical services for members. Upon request, at any time during the period of this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR will furnish any such record or copy thereof to the COUNTY.

Unless otherwise stated, CONTRACTOR shall include instructions on record retention and include in any subcontract with providers the mandate to keep and maintain records for each service rendered, to whom it was rendered, and the date of service, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 123149, 42 C.F.R. Section 433.32, and 22 C.C.R. Section 51341.1.

##### **A. Medical/Consumer Records**

CONTRACTOR shall adhere to the licensing authority, the State Department of Social Services, DHCS and Medi-Cal documentation standards, as applicable. CONTRACTOR shall maintain accurate and complete medical records on each individual member which includes at a minimum, a care plan, diagnostic procedures, evaluation studies, problems to be

addressed, medications provided, and records of service provided by the various personnel in sufficient detail to make possible an evaluation of services, including records of member interviews and progress notes. If CONTRACTOR provides SAPT services, all member records shall contain a completed copy of the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) tool.

**B. Financial Records**

CONTRACTOR shall maintain complete financial records that clearly reflect the cost of each type of service for which payment is claimed. Fiscal records must comply with Title II, Subtitle A, Part 200 of the C.F.R. regarding the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards. Any apportionment of costs shall be made in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and shall evidence proper audit trails reflecting the true cost of the services rendered. Allowable costs shall be those costs defined in Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Manual (CMS 15-1) and the DHCS Drug Fiscal System Manual, if applicable, and any changes thereto. Statistical data shall be kept and reports made as required by the DIRECTOR, or designee, and the State of California. All such records shall be available for inspection by the designated auditors of COUNTY or State at reasonable times during normal business hours.

**C. Financial Record Retention**

Appropriate financial records shall be maintained and retained by CONTRACTOR for a minimum of ten (10) years or, in the event of an audit exception and appeal, until the audit finding is resolved, whichever is later.

**D. Member Record Retention**

Member records shall be maintained and retained by CONTRACTOR for a minimum of ten (10) years following discharge of the member. Records of minors shall be kept for ten (10) years after such minor has reached the age of eighteen (18) years. Thereafter, the member file is retained for ten (10) years after the member has been discharged from services.

**E. Shared Records/Information**

CONTRACTOR and COUNTY shall maintain a reciprocal shared record and information policy, which allows for sharing of member records and information between CONTRACTOR and COUNTY. Except as permitted by law, either COUNTY or CONTRACTOR shall not release these member records or information to a third party without a valid authorization, or if compelled by law.

**F. Records Ownership**

COUNTY is the owner of all member records. In the event that the Agreement is terminated, the CONTRACTOR is required to prepare and box the member medical records so that the COUNTY can archive them. Records are to be in hard copy format, placed in individual file folders and labeled in the following format: last name, first name, middle initial, date of birth, medical records number and last date of service. CONTRACTOR shall coordinate the transfer of records to the COUNTY with the Program/Regional Administrator. The COUNTY is responsible for taking possession of the records and storing them according to regulatory requirements. The COUNTY is required to provide the CONTRACTOR with a copy of any medical record that is requested by the CONTRACTOR, as required by regulations, at no cost to the CONTRACTOR, and in a timely manner.

**G. Records Inspection**

All records shall be available for inspection by all applicable and designated Federal, State, and County auditors during normal business hours. Records shall include, but are not limited to, all physical and electronic records originated or prepared pursuant to the performance under this Agreement; including, but not limited to, working papers, reports, financial records or books of account, medical records, prescription files, subcontracts, any and other documentation pertaining to medical and non-medical services for members. Upon request, at any time during the period of this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR will furnish any such records or copies thereof, to the applicable Federal, State and County auditors. CONTRACTOR shall be subject to the examination and audit of the Office of the Inspector General for a period of no less than ten (10) years pertaining to individuals over the age of eighteen (18) years of age-related documentation; and no more than ten (10) years pertaining to minor related documentation after final payment under Agreement.

**XXI. STAFFING**

CONTRACTOR shall operate continuously throughout the term of this Agreement in conformance to the staffing expectations as required by state licensing requirements and as may be additionally described in Exhibit A. CONTRACTOR is responsible for ensuring that their personnel are qualified, holding appropriate license(s)/certificate(s) for the services provided in accordance with the WIC Section 5751.2, the requirements set forth in Title 9 of the C.C.R., Health and Safety Code Section 11215 et seq., the Business and Professions Code, DHCS policy letters, and any amendments thereto. Furthermore, CONTRACTOR acknowledges all of its officers, board members, employees, associates, and agents providing services hereunder are eligible for reimbursement for said services by their exclusion from the Federal "List of Excluded Parties" registry.

- A. CONTRACTOR shall maintain specific job descriptions/duty statements for each position describing the assigned duties, reporting relationship, and shall provide sufficient detail to serve as the basis for an annual performance evaluation.
- B. During the term of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall maintain and shall provide upon request to authorized representatives of COUNTY, the following:
  - 1. A list of persons by name, title, and professional degree, including, but not limited to, licensing, experience, credentials, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Training, First Aid training, languages spoken, Race/Ethnicity with an option to select "Prefer Not to Say" and/or certification and experience of persons providing services hereunder, and any other information deemed necessary by the DIRECTOR or designee. All certifications should comply with applicable California Health and Safety Code of Regulations.
  - 2. Previously established and/or updated Personnel policies and procedures;
  - 3. Updated personnel file for each staff member (including subcontractors, as approved by COUNTY and volunteers) that includes at minimum the following:
    - a. Resume or employment application, proof of current licensure, all applicable employment related certifications, registration;
    - b. List of all applicable trainings during time of employment to present;
    - c. Annual job performance evaluation;
    - d. Employment offer letter;
    - e. Employment application;
    - f. Job duties description or duty statement;
    - g. Continuing education;
    - h. results of livescan, background check, and
    - i. SAPT Only: TB test.

- C. Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. Section 455.434, CONTRACTOR shall conduct criminal background records checks, including fingerprinting on all employees, subcontractors, and volunteers. The CONTRACTOR shall have received a criminal records clearance from the State of California Department of Justice (DOJ) for each employee, subcontractor and volunteer before providing services to RUHS-BH members. A signed certification of such clearance shall be retained in each individual's personnel file.
- D. During the term of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR with fifteen (15) or more employees will designate a Disability Access Coordinator. The Disability Access Coordinator is responsible for the development and implementation of the program's ADA/ 504 Self-Evaluation Plan and Annual Updates.
- E. CONTRACTOR shall institute and maintain an in-service training program of treatment review and case conferences and/or prevention strategies as appropriate, in which professional and other appropriate personnel shall participate.
- F. CONTRACTOR recognizes the importance of child and family support obligations and shall fully comply with all applicable State and Federal laws relating to child and family support enforcement, including, but not limited to, disclosure of information and compliance with earnings assignment orders, as provided in Family Code Section 5200, et seq.
- G. CONTRACTOR shall follow all Federal, State and County policies, laws and regulations regarding staffing and/or employee compensation. CONTRACTOR shall not pay or compensate any of its staff, personnel or employees by means of cash. All payments or compensation made to CONTRACTOR staff, personnel and/or employees in association with the fulfillment of this Agreement shall be made by means of staff, personnel and/or employee Certified Payroll only.
- H. CONTRACTOR is responsible for notifying the COUNTY of all changes to indirect and direct personnel service providers that will have an impact on its Electronic Management of Records (ELMR) system. These changes include, but are not limited to, adding new personnel, modifying existing personnel, or terminating personnel. CONTRACTOR is responsible for completing the Computer Account Request Form (CARF) provided by the designated COUNTY Program Analyst, when such changes occur and will have an impact on ELMR data entry or system access. CONTRACTOR shall submit the completed CARF form to RUHS-BH Management Reporting Unit via email at [MRU\\_Support@ruhealth.org](mailto:MRU_Support@ruhealth.org)
- I. CONTRACTOR staff requiring access to ELMR must submit a Virtual Private Network (VPN) Account Request and Agreement Forms, Attachment D, to RUHS-BH Contracts Administration Unit via email at [BHContracts@ruhealth.org](mailto:BHContracts@ruhealth.org). Once the VPN account has been established, COUNTY designee will communicate with ELMR Support personnel who will contact the CONTRACTOR to provide ELMR access training.
- J. Federal and State Database Checks  
CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for confirming the identity and determining the exclusion status of its officers, board members, employees, associates, and agents through routine checks of Federal and State databases. This includes:
  - 1. Social Security Administration's Death Master File;
  - 2. National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES);
  - 3. List of Excluded Individuals/Entities (LEIE);

4. System for Award Management (SAM);
5. CMS' Medicare Exclusion Database (MED);
6. DHCS' Suspended and Ineligible Provider List.; and
7. Restricted Provider Database (RPD).

- a. These databases shall be consulted upon appointment of board members or hiring of employees, associates and agents and SAM, LEIE, and RDP must be reviewed no less frequently than monthly thereafter.

CONTRACTOR shall notify COUNTY, in writing within thirty (30) calendar days, if and when any CONTRACTOR's personnel are found listed on this site and what action has been taken to remedy the matter. CONTRACTOR shall establish their own procedures to ensure adherence to these requirements.

Pursuant to Exhibit C, Section I.4.c, as part of the monthly invoice submission, CONTRACTOR is required to submit a signed Program Integrity Form (Exhibit C, Attachment A) to COUNTY certifying that they have conducted the required database checks. CONTRACTOR shall notify COUNTY, in writing within thirty (30) calendar days, if and when any CONTRACTOR's personnel are found listed on this site and what action has been taken to remedy the matter. CONTRACTOR shall establish their own procedures to ensure adherence to these requirements.

## **XXII. CREDENTIALING**

- A. For all of CONTRACTOR's licensed, waived, registered and/or certified employees, CONTRACTOR must verify and document the following items through a primary source, as applicable. The listed requirements are not applicable to all provider types. When applicable to the provider type, the information must be verified by the CONTRACTOR unless the CONTRACTOR can demonstrate the required information has been previously verified by the applicable licensing, certification and/or registration board.
  1. The appropriate license and/or board certification or registration, as required for the particular provider type;
  2. Evidence of graduation or completion of any required education, as required for the particular provider type;
  3. Proof of completion of any relevant medical residency and/or specialty training, as required for the particular provider type; and
  4. Satisfaction of any applicable continuing education requirements, as required for the particular provider type.
  
- B. In addition, CONTRACTOR must verify and document the following information from each clinical staff, as applicable, CONTRACTOR need not verify this information through a primary source:
  1. Work history;
  2. Hospital and clinic privileges in good standing;
  3. History of any suspension or curtailment of hospital and clinic privileges;
  4. Current Drug Enforcement Administration identification number;
  5. National Provider Identifier number;
  6. Current malpractice insurance in an adequate amount, as required for the particular provider type;
  7. History of liability claims against the provider;
  8. Provider information, if any, entered in the National Practitioner Data Bank, when applicable. See <https://www.npdb.hrsa.gov/>;
  9. History of sanctions from participating in Medicare and/or Medicaid/Medi-Cal: providers terminated from either Medicare or Medi-Cal, or on the Suspended and Ineligible Provider

List, may not participate in the Plan's provider network. This list is available at: <http://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/SandILanding.asp>; and

10. History of sanctions or limitations on the provider's license issued by any state's agencies or licensing boards.

C. Attestation

CONTRACTOR must submit a signed and dated statement at the time of contract initiation and at minimum every three (3) years thereafter, attesting to the following:

1. Any limitations or inabilities that affect the CONTRACTOR's ability to perform any of the position's essential functions, with or without accommodation;
2. A history of loss of license or felony conviction;
3. A history of loss or limitation of privileges or disciplinary activity;
4. A lack of present illegal drug use; and
5. The statement's accuracy and completeness

D. Provider Re-credentialing

CONTRACTOR shall verify and document at the time of Agreement initiation, and at a minimum every three (3) years, that each employee that delivers covered services continues to possess valid credentials, including verification of each of the credentialing requirements listed above. CONTRACTOR must require each provider to submit any updated information needed to complete the re-credentialing process, as well as a new signed attestation. In addition to the initial credentialing requirements, re-credentialing should include documentation that CONTRACTOR has considered information from other sources pertinent to the credentialing process, such as quality improvement activities, beneficiary grievances, and medical record reviews.

E. Provider Credentialing and Re-credentialing Procedures

CONTRACTOR may delegate its authority to perform credentialing reviews to a professional credentialing verification organization; nonetheless, the CONTRACTOR remains contractually responsible for the completeness and accuracy of these activities. If the CONTRACTOR delegates credential verification activities to a subcontractor, it shall establish a formal and detailed agreement with the entity performing those activities. To ensure accountability for these activities, CONTRACTOR must establish a system that:

1. Evaluates the subcontractor's ability to perform these activities and includes an initial review to assure that the subcontractor has the administrative capacity, task experience, and budgetary resources to fulfill its responsibilities;
2. Ensures that the subcontractor meets the CONTRACTOR, COUNTY and DHCS' standards; and
3. Continuously monitors, evaluates, and approves the delegated functions.

CONTRACTOR is responsible for ensuring that their delegates comply with all applicable state and federal law and regulations and other contract requirements as well as DHCS guidance, including applicable Informational Notices.

CONTRACTOR must maintain a system for reporting serious quality deficiencies that result in suspension or termination of an employee to COUNTY, and other authorities as appropriate. CONTRACTOR must maintain policies and procedures for disciplinary actions, including reducing, suspending, or terminating an employee's privileges.

### **XXIII. PHYSICIAN INCENTIVE PLAN**

When applicable, CONTRACTOR is prohibited from offering Physician Incentive Plans, as defined in Title 42 C.F.R. Sections 422.208 and 422.210, unless approved by RUHS-BH in advance that the Plan(s) complies with the regulations.

### **XXIV. FRAUD REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

- A. CONTRACTOR shall implement and maintain arrangements or procedures designed to detect and prevent fraud, waste and abuse that include prompt reporting to the RUHS-BH Compliance Officer about the following:
1. Any potential fraud, waste, or abuse. (42 C.F.R. § 438.608(a)(7)).
  2. CONTRACTOR shall immediately report to RUHS-BH all overpayments identified or recovered, specifying the overpayments due to potential fraud.
  3. CONTRACTOR shall immediately report to RUHS-BH any information about changes in a member's circumstances that may affect the member's eligibility including changes in the member's residence or the death of the member. (42 C.F.R. § 438.608 (a)(3)).
  4. CONTRACTOR shall immediately report to RUHS-BH any information about a change in a network provider's circumstances that may affect the network provider's eligibility to participate in the managed care program, including the termination of the provider agreement with the Contractor. (42 C.F.R. § 438.608(a)(4)).
- B. If CONTRACTOR identifies an issue or receives notification of a complaint concerning an incident of potential fraud, waste, or abuse, CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify RUHS-BH Compliance Officer; and conduct an internal investigation to determine the validity of the issue/complaint and develop and implement corrective action if needed.

If CONTRACTOR's internal investigation concludes that fraud or abuse has occurred or is suspected, the issue if egregious, or beyond the scope of the CONTRACTOR's ability to pursue, the CONTRACTOR shall immediately report to the RUHS-BH Compliance Officer for investigation, review and/or disposition.

- C. CONTRACTOR shall implement and maintain written policies for all employees of the Contractor, and of any subcontractor or agent, that provide detailed information about the False Claims Act and other Federal and state laws, including information about rights of employees to be protected as whistleblowers. (42 C.F.R. § 438.608 (a)(6)). CONTRACTOR understands RUHS-BH, CMS, or the HHS Inspector General may inspect, evaluate, and audit the subcontractor at any time if there is a reasonable possibility of fraud or similar risk.
- D. As applicable, as a condition for receiving payment under a Medi-Cal managed care program, CONTRACTOR shall comply with the provisions of Title 42 C.F.R. Sections 438.604, 438.606, 438.608 and 438.610. CONTRACTOR must have administrative and management processes or procedures, including a mandatory compliance plan, that are designed to detect and prevent fraud, waste or abuse. Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. Section 438.608 (a)(8), COUNTY shall suspend payments to CONTRACTOR for which there is credible evidence of fraud.
- E. Suspected Medi-Cal fraud, waste, or abuse shall be reported to: DHCS Medi-Cal Fraud: (800) 822-6222 or Fraud@dhcs.ca.gov.

### **XXV. PROHIBITED AFFILIATIONS**

- A. CONTRACTOR shall not knowingly have any prohibited type of relationship with the following:

1. An individual or entity that is debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from participating in procurement activities under the Federal Acquisition Regulation or from participating in non-procurement activities under regulations issued under Executive Order No. 12549 or under guidelines implementing Executive Order No. 12549 (42 C.F.R. Section 438.610(a)(1)).
  2. An individual or entity who is an affiliate, as defined in the Federal Acquisition Regulation at 48 CFR Section 2.101, of a person described in this section (42 C.F.R. Section 438.610(a)(2)).
- B. CONTRACTOR shall not have a prohibited type of relationship by employing or contracting with providers or other individuals and entities excluded from participation in federal health care programs (as defined 42 U.S.C. § 1320a-7b(f)) pursuant to 42 U.S.C. sections 1320a-7, 1320a-7a, 1320c-5, and 1395u(j)(2). (42 C.F.R. § 438.214(d)(1), 438.610(b)).
- C. CONTRACTOR shall not have any types of relationships prohibited by this section with an excluded, debarred, or suspended individual, provider, or entity as follows:
1. A director, officer, agent, managing employee, or partner of the CONTRACTOR (42 U.S.C. Section 1320a-7(b)(8)(A)(ii); 42 C.F.R. Section 438.610(c)(1)).
  2. A subcontractor of the CONTRACTOR, as governed by 42 C.F.R. Section 438.230. (42 C.F.R. Section 438.610(c)(2)).
  3. A person with beneficial ownership of 5 percent (5%) or more of the CONTRACTOR's equity ((42 C.F.R. Section 438.610(c)(3)).
  4. A network provider or person with an employment, consulting, or other arrangement with the Contractor for the provision of items and services that are significant and material to the Contractor's obligations under this Contract. (42 C.F.R. § 438.610(c)(4)).
  5. A network provider or person with an employment, consulting, or other arrangement with the CONTRACTOR for the provision of items and services that are significant and material to the CONTRACTOR's obligations under this Agreement (42 C.F.R. Section 438.610(c)(4)).
- D. CONTRACTOR shall not employ or contract with, directly or indirectly, such individuals or entities for the furnishing of health care, utilization review, medical social work, administrative services, management, or provision of medical services, or the establishment of policies or provision of operational support for such services [42 C.F.R. Section 438.808(b)(3)].
- E. CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors shall not contract directly or indirectly with an individual convicted of crimes described in section 1128(b)(8)(B) of the Social Security Act. (42 C.F.R. § 438.808(b)(2)).

**XXVI. PROVIDER ADEQUACY**

- A. CONTRACTOR shall submit to RUHS-BH documentation verifying it has the capacity to serve the expected enrollment in its service area in accordance with the network adequacy standards developed by DHCS. Documentation shall be submitted at each of the following stages:
1. At the time it enters into this Agreement with the COUNTY;
  2. During the first month of every fiscal quarter: January, April, July, and October for each contracted site;
  3. Annually submit rendering provider forms for each staff providing direct services; and
  4. At any time there has been a significant change, as defined by RUHS-BH, in the CONTRACTOR's operations that would affect the adequacy capacity of services, including the following:

- a. A decrease of twenty-five percent (25%) or more in services or providers available to member;
  - b. Changes in benefits;
  - c. Changes in geographic service area; and
  - d. Details regarding the change and CONTRACTOR's plans to ensure member continue to have access to adequate services and providers.
5. Failure to comply with the required Network Adequacy reporting requirements may result in payment hold.

**XXVII. LANGUAGE LINE UTILIZATION**

- A. CONTRACTOR must submit language line utilization detailing monthly use of interpretation services for member' face-to-face encounters, telephonic service encounter and 24/7 access line service encounters.
- B. Language line utilization data submission should include the reporting period, the total number of encounters requiring language line services, the language utilized during the encounter requiring language line services, and a reason as to why the services were not provided by a bilingual provider/staff or via face-to-face interpretation for each one of the encounters requiring language line services.
- C. Language line utilization must be submitted to RUHS-BH using the template provided by RUHS-BH and following the instructions contained on the reporting tool. Completed template must be submitted via email to [ELMRSupport@ruhealth.org](mailto:ELMRSupport@ruhealth.org)

**XXVIII. TIMELY ACCESS TO SERVICES**

In accordance with 42 C.F.R. Section 438.206(c)(1), the CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements set forth in Title 9 C.C.R. Section 1810.405 and RUHS-BH Policy #267.

- A. SAPT Services:  
CONTRACTOR shall comply with the Timely Access provision identified in Exhibit A. Scope of Work.
- B. Mental Health Services:  
CONTRACTOR shall comply with the following Timely Access provisions for Mental Health Services:
  - 1. CONTRACTOR will have hours of operation during which services are provided to Medi-Cal member that are no less than the hours of operation during which the provider offers services to non-Medi-Cal member.
  - 2. Routing First Appointments
    - a. Consumers who call or walk in to CONTRACTOR's program requesting outpatient mental health services will be offered an appointment in the least restrictive community-based setting within ten (10) business days.
    - b. Consumers requesting or being referred for an appointment with a psychiatrist will be offered an appointment within fifteen (15) business days.  
These requests/referrals will be recorded in the member's chart with the date the request/referral was made.
  - 3. Emergent Appointments  
Consumers in need of immediate intervention to prevent significant behavioral health deterioration will be offered a walk-in or scheduled appointment the same day, or will be referred to the closest crisis stabilization unit near to where the member is physically located at that time.

4. Urgent Appointments
  - a. Consumers determined to be in need of an urgent appointment where significant behavioral health deterioration is anticipated will be offered an appointment within 48 hours when prior authorization is not required.
  - b. Consumers in urgent need of an appointment when prior authorization is required will be offered an appointment within 96 hours.
5. Follow-up Services
  - a. Non-physician, non-urgent appointments will be scheduled within ten (10) days of the request for appointment. This time may be extended if the referring or treating behavioral health professional, or the triage or screening behavioral health professional, as applicable and acting within their scope of practices, determines that a longer waiting time will not have a detrimental impact on the health of the member.
  - b. Periodic office visits to monitor and treat mental health conditions may be scheduled in advance, consistent with professional recognized standards of practice as determined by the treating licensed mental health provider acting within the scope of their practice.
6. Rescheduled Appointments
 

In the event that an appointment must be rescheduled, it shall be done in a manner that is appropriate for the member's behavioral health care needs and ensures continuity of care consistent with good professional practices.
7. Appointment Scheduling
 

Members will be offered appointments within the timeframes outlined in the paragraphs above. In circumstances where the member declines an appointment within the specified timeframe, this information will be logged, maintained and reported in a manner consistent with COUNTY guidelines.

**XXIX. CHARITABLE CHOICE**

- A. As Behavioral Health and/or Substance Use service providers and funding recipients, under the State Charitable Choice requirements, CONTRACTOR must adhere to the following:
  1. Ensure that CONTRACTOR provides notice to all its members of their right to alternative services if, when, and where applicable;
  2. Ensure that CONTRACTOR refers members to alternative services if, when and where applicable; and
  3. Fund and/or provide alternative service if, when and where applicable. Alternative services are services determined by the State to be accessible, comparable, and provided within a reasonable period of time from another Behavioral Health and/or Substance Use provider (or alternative provider if, when and where applicable) to which the member has no objection.
- B. As this Agreement relates to Nondiscrimination and Institutional Safeguards for Religious Providers, the CONTRACTOR shall establish such processes and procedures as necessary to comply with the provisions of Title 42, U.S.C., Section 300x-65 and Title 42, C.F.R. Part 54, (Reference Document 1B) Charitable Choice Regulations. CONTRACTOR shall immediately advise COUNTY of any member who has religious objections to CONTRACTOR's program.

**XXX. TRAFFICKING VICTIMS PROTECTION ACT OF 2000**

- A. In accordance with the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA) (22 USCA sec. 7101, et seq.), CONTRACTORS that provide Medi-Cal eligible services certifies that at the time the Agreement is executed, CONTRACTOR will remain in compliance with Section 106(g) of the TVPA as amended (22 U.S.C. Section 7104). The TVPA strictly prohibits any contractor or contractor employee and/or agent from:

1. Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that this Agreement is in effect;
2. Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time the Agreement is in effect; or
3. Using forced labor in performance of the Agreement.

B. Any violation of the TVPA may result in a unilateral termination of this Agreement without penalty in accordance with 2 CFR Part 175.

C. Contractors will ensure staff have been trained (or aware) of TVPA requirements.

#### **XXXI. IRAN CONTRACTING ACT OF 2010**

In accordance with Public Contract Code Section 2204(a), CONTRACTOR certifies that at the time the Agreement is signed, the CONTRACTOR is not identified on a list created pursuant to subdivision (b) of Public Contract Code Section 2203 (<http://www.dgs.ca.gov/pd/Resources/PDLegislation.aspx>) as a person [as defined in Public Contract Code Section 2202(e)] engaging in investment activities in Iran described in subdivision (a) of Public Contract Code Section 2202.5, or as a person described in subdivision (b) of Public Contract Code Section 2202.5, as applicable. CONTRACTORS are cautioned that making a false certification may subject the CONTRACTOR to civil penalties, termination of existing Agreement, and ineligibility to bid on a contract for a period of three (3) years in accordance with Public Contract Code Section 2205.

#### **XXXII. CULTURAL COMPETENCY**

- A. The CONTRACTOR shall participate in the State's efforts to promote the delivery of services in a culturally competent manner to all member, including those with limited English proficiency and diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds, disabilities, and regardless of gender, sexual orientation or gender identity. (42 C.F.R. Section 438.206(c)(2).
- B. CONTRACTOR shall adopt the Federal Office of Minority Health Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Service (CLAS) national standards and comply with 42 C.F.R. section 438.206(c)(2).
- C. CONTRACTOR shall develop a Cultural Competence Plan, which shall be submitted and approved by COUNTY with progress reports submitted annually, that addresses both individuals with SMHS needs and individuals with SUD needs, and that describes strategies to ensure access to coordinated and culturally responsive care for members with co-occurring behavioral health needs.
- D. CONTRACTOR shall offer alternatives and options that accommodate individual preference, or cultural and linguistic preferences, demonstrated by the provision of culture-specific programs, provided by the CONTRACTOR and/or referral to community-based, culturally appropriate, non-traditional mental health provider.
- E. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that their policies, procedures, and practices are consistent with the principles outlined and are embedded in the organizational structure, as well as being upheld in day-to-day operations.

#### **XXXIII. INFORMING MATERIALS**

- A. If providing direct services, CONTRACTOR shall provide all COUNTY members being served by CONTRACTOR with a Notice of Privacy Practices information brochure or pamphlet during the time of the member's first visit. CONTRACTOR is subsequently responsible for issuing

the Notice of Privacy Practices (NPP) information brochure or pamphlet to all members every three (3) years at a minimum and/or every time the Notice of Privacy Practices information is updated and/or changed. Also, the CONTRACTOR is responsible for having the member sign, acknowledging receipt of the NPP information, and CONTRACTOR must keep member signed acknowledgement on file every three (3) years upon receipt from member.

- B. All written materials for potential members and members with disabilities must utilize easily understood language and a format which is typically at 5th or 6th grade reading level, in a font size no smaller than 12 point, be available in alternative formats and through the provision of auxiliary aids and services, in an appropriate manner that takes into consideration the special needs of potential members or members with disabilities or limited English proficiency and include a large print tagline and information on how to request auxiliary aids and services, including the provision of the materials in alternative formats [42 C.F.R. Section 438.10(d)(6)(ii)]. The aforementioned written materials may only be provided electronically by the CONTRACTOR if all of the following conditions are met:
1. The format is readily accessible;
  2. The information is placed in a location on the CONTRACTOR's website that is prominent and readily accessible;
  3. The information is provided in an electronic form which can be electronically retained and printed;
  4. The information is consistent with the content and language requirements of this agreement; and
  5. The member is informed that the information is available in paper form without charge upon request and CONTRACTOR provides it upon request within five (5) business days (42 C.F.R. Section 438.10(c)(6)).
- C. CONTRACTOR shall ensure its written materials are available in alternative formats, including large print, upon request of the potential member or member with disabilities at no cost. Large print means printed in a font size no smaller than 18 point (42 C.F.R. Section 438.10(d)(3)).
- D. CONTRACTOR shall provide the required information in this section to each beneficiary when first receiving Specialty Mental Health Services and upon request (1915(b) Medi-Cal Specialty Mental Health Services Waiver Section (2)(d)(d), p. 26, attachments 3 and 4); (Title 9 C.C.R. Section 1810.360(e)).
- E. CONTRACTOR shall make the RUHS-BH Provider Directory and Beneficiary Handbook available to members in electronic form and paper format upon request. Both documents are available at <http://www.rcdmh.org/>. CONTRACTOR shall provide paper copies within five (5) business days without charge to members.

#### **XXXIV. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

- A. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the conflict of interest safeguards described in:
1. 42 C.F.R. section 438.58 and the prohibitions described in section 1902(a)(4)(C) of the Social Security Act. (42 C.F.R. § 438.3(f)(2).); and
  2. The California Political Reform Act, including Public Contract Code section 10365.5 and Government Code section 1090.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall employ no COUNTY employee whose position in COUNTY enables him to influence the award of this Agreement or any competing Agreement, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee in any capacity herein, or in any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Agreement.

- C. During the term of this Agreement and for one (1) year after the Agreement is terminated, CONTRACTOR will not indirectly or directly solicit to hire, any individual who is employed by COUNTY.

**XXXV. GRIEVANCE AND FAIR HEARING**

- A. If a Medi-Cal contractor, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that staff is knowledgeable of and compliant with State law and RUHS-BH policy/procedure regarding the issuance of Notice of Adverse Benefit Determinations (NOABDs). CONTRACTOR shall fax a copy within 24 hours of all NOABDs to RUHS-BH Outpatient Quality Improvement at (951) 955-7203.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall place the Grievance Procedure and Appeal Procedure pamphlets and forms in readily accessible and visibly posted in prominent locations in member and staff areas, including beneficiary waiting areas. Self-addressed envelopes for mailing grievances and/or appeals to RUHS-BH Outpatient QI will be located next to the descriptions of the Grievance Procedure and the Appeal Procedure. The grievance, appeals, and self-addressed envelopes must be available to the members and/or member's representative without the member and/or member's representative having to make a verbal or written request to anyone.
- C. State and Federal law guarantees members a right to a Fair Hearing if services are being denied, terminated, or reduced. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the process established by Federal and State laws and regulations.

**XXXVI. PATIENTS' RIGHTS**

Patients' rights shall be observed by CONTRACTOR as provided in the Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5325.1, as well as Titles 9 and 22 of the C.C.R., as applicable. COUNTY members' Rights Advocates will be given access to members, member records, and facility personnel to monitor the CONTRACTOR's compliance with said statutes and regulations.

**XXXVII. WAIVER OF PERFORMANCE**

No waiver by COUNTY at any time of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed or construed as a waiver at any time thereafter of the same or any other provisions contained herein or of the strict and timely performance of such provisions.

**XXXVIII. FEDERAL AND STATE STATUTES**

- A. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with all applicable Medicaid laws, regulations, and contract provisions, sub-regulatory guidance and contract provisions (42 C.F.R. § 438.230(c)(2) including the terms of the 1915(b) Waiver and any Special Terms and Conditions.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to the requirements of 42 C.F.R. Section 438, et seq., Title XXII of the Social Security Act and comply with all other applicable Federal and State statutes and regulations, including but not limited to laws and regulations listed in Exhibit B. Additionally, CONTRACTOR shall be required to establish, written policies and procedures consistent with the following requirements; (i) monitor for compliance with the written procedures; and (ii) be held accountable for audit exceptions taken by DHCS or COUNTY for any failure to comply with these requirements:
  1. Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, commencing with Section 11760;
  2. Title 9 C.C.R. Division 4, commencing with Section 9000;
  3. Government Code Section 16367.8;
  4. Title 5, Division 2, Part 1, Chapter 1, Article 7 of the California Government Code regarding Federally Mandated Audits of Block Grant Funds Allocated to Local Agencies;

5. Title 42 U.S.C. Sections 300x-21 through 300x-31, 300x-34, 300x-53, 300x-57, and 330x-65 and 66;
6. The Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 (Title 31, U.S.C. Sections 7501-7507) and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 revised June 27, 2003 and June 26, 2007.
7. Title 45 C.F.R. Sections 96.30 through 96.33 and Sections 96.120 through 96.137;
8. Title 42, C.F.R. Sections 8.1 through 8.6;
9. Title 21, C.F.R. Sections 1301.01 through 1301.93, Department of Justice, Controlled Substances;
10. State Administrative Manual (SAM), Chapter 7200 (General Outline of Procedures), Title 42 C.F.R. Part 438.
11. Title 22 C.C.R. 51000 et seq.; and
12. Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Article III.PP – Requirements for Services (DHCS-COUNTY Agreement).

**XXXIX. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE ACT OF 1988**

- A. The Federal government implemented the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988 in an attempt to address the problems of drug abuse on the job. It is a fact that employees who use drugs have less productivity, a lower quality of work, and a higher absenteeism, and are more likely to misappropriate funds or services. From this perspective, the drug abuser may endanger other employees, the public at large, or themselves. Damage to property, whether owned by this entity or not, could result from drug abuse on the job. All these actions might undermine public confidence in the services this entity provides. The following guidelines have been adopted:
  1. The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace.
  2. Violators may be terminated or requested to seek counseling from an approved rehabilitation service.
  3. Employees must notify their employer of any conviction of a criminal drug statute no later than five days after such conviction.
  4. Although alcohol is not a controlled substance, it is nonetheless a drug. It is the policy that abuse of this drug will also not be tolerated in the workplace.
  5. Contractors of federal agencies are required to certify that they will provide drug- free workplaces for their employees.
  
- B. If State funds are utilized to fund this Agreement as specified in Schedule K, the following Drug-Free Workplace requirements shall apply. By signing this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR hereby certifies under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the CONTRACTOR will comply with the requirements of the California Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990 (Government Code Section 8350, et seq.) and will provide a drug-free workplace doing all of the following:
  1. Publish a statement notifying employees that unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of controlled substances is prohibited and specifying actions to be taken against employees for violations, as required by Government Code Section 8355(a).
  2. Establish a Drug-Free Awareness Program as required by Government Code Section 8355(a) to inform employees about all of the following:
    - a. The dangers of substance use in the workplace;
    - b. CONTRACTOR's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
    - c. Any available counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
    - d. Penalties that may be imposed upon employees for substance use violations.

3. Provide as required by Government Code Section 8355(a) that every employee who works on this Agreement:
  - a. Will receive a copy of the CONTRACTOR'S drug-free policy statement, and
  - b. Will agree to abide by the terms of the CONTRACTOR'S statement as a condition of employment on the Agreement.
4. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in suspension of payments under the Agreement or termination of the Agreement or both and the CONTRACTOR may be ineligible for award of future State contracts if the COUNTY determines that any of the following has occurred:
  - a. CONTRACTOR has made a false certification or,
  - b. Violates the certification by failing to carry out the requirements as noted above.

#### **XL.USE OF FUNDS**

CONTRACTOR shall implement and maintain policies or procedures designed to show compliance with the Use of Funds stipulations indicated herein (XL, Subsections A–E). CONTRACTOR shall furnish copies of Use of Funds policies and procedures at the request of the COUNTY.

##### **A. Outreach Activities**

Any program receiving Federal funds must agree to do outreach activities for the purpose of encouraging individuals in need of treatment for alcohol and substance abuse to undergo such treatment.

##### **B. No Unlawful Use or Unlawful Use Message Regarding Drugs**

By signing this Agreement, CONTRACTOR agrees that information produced through these funds, and which pertains to drugs and alcohol-related programs, shall contain a clearly written statement that there shall be no unlawful use of drugs or alcohol associated with the program. Additionally, no aspect of a drug or alcohol-related program shall include any message on the responsible use, if the use is unlawful, of drugs or alcohol (HSC, Division 10.7, Chapter 1429, Sections 11999-11999.3). CONTRACTOR agrees that it will enforce, and will require its subcontractors to enforce, these requirements.

##### **C. Limitation on Use of Funds for Promotion of Legalization of Controlled Substances**

None of the funds made available through this Agreement may be used for any activity that promotes the legalization of any drug or other substance included in Schedule I of Section 202 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. Section 812).

##### **D. Restriction on Distribution of Sterile Needles**

No Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant funds made available through this Agreement shall be used to carry out any program that includes the distribution of sterile needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of any illegal drug unless DHCS chooses to implement a demonstration syringe services program for injecting drug users.

##### **E. Limitation on Use of Funds for Religious Activity**

No State or Federal funds shall be used by CONTRACTOR or its subcontractors for sectarian worship, instruction, or proselytization. No State or Federal funds shall be used by CONTRACTOR or its subcontractors to provide direct, immediate, or substantial support to any religious activity.

**F. Marijuana Restriction**

Funds may not be used, directly or indirectly, to purchase, prescribe, or provide marijuana or treatment using marijuana. Treatment in this context includes the treatment of opioid use disorder. Grant funds also cannot be provided to any individual who or organization that provides or permits marijuana use for the purposes of treating substance use or mental disorders. See, e.g., 45 CFR. § 75.300(a) (requiring HHS to “ensure that Federal funding is expended . . . in full accordance with U.S. statutory . . . requirements.”); 21 USC § 812(c) (10) and 841 (prohibiting the possession, manufacture, sale, purchase or distribution of marijuana). This prohibition does not apply to those providing such treatment in the context of clinical research permitted by the DEA and under an FDA-approved investigational new drug application where the article being evaluated is marijuana or a constituent thereof that is otherwise a banned controlled substance under Federal law.

**XLI. HATCH ACT**

CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (Title 5 U.S.C. Sections 1501-1508), which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with federal funds. CONTRACTOR shall implement and maintain policies or procedures designed to show compliance with the Hatch Act. CONTRACTOR shall furnish copies of Hatch Act policies and procedures at the request of the COUNTY.

**XLII. TERMINATION PROVISIONS**

- A. Either party may terminate this Agreement without cause, upon thirty (30) days written notice served upon the other party.
- B. Termination does not release CONTRACTOR from the responsibility of securing Protected Health Information (PHI) data.
- C. The COUNTY may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice served upon the CONTRACTOR if sufficient funds are not available for continuation of services.
- D. The COUNTY reserves the right to terminate the Agreement without warning at the discretion of the DIRECTOR or designee, when CONTRACTOR has been accused and/or found to be in violation of any County, State, or Federal laws and regulations.
- E. The COUNTY may terminate this Agreement immediately due to a change in status, delegation, assignment or alteration of the Agreement not consented to by COUNTY.
- F. The COUNTY may terminate this Agreement immediately if, in the opinion of the DIRECTOR or the Department of Health Care Services CONTRACTOR has not performed satisfactorily or fails to provide for the health and safety of members served under this Agreement (42 C.F.R. § 438.230(c)(1)(iii)). In the event of such termination, the COUNTY may proceed with the work in any manner deemed proper to the COUNTY.
- G. If CONTRACTOR fails to comply with the conditions of this Agreement, COUNTY may take one or more of the following actions as appropriate:
  - 1. Temporarily withhold payments pending correction of the deficiency;
  - 2. Disallow (that is deny funds) for all or part of the cost or activity not in compliance; or,
  - 3. Wholly or partially suspend or terminate the Agreement, and if necessary, request repayment to COUNTY if any disallowance is rendered after audit findings.

- H. After receipt of the Notice of Termination, pursuant to Paragraphs 1 – 7 above, or the CONTRACTOR is notified that the Agreement will not be extended beyond the termination date as specified in Section II, PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE, CONTRACTOR shall:
1. Stop all services under this Agreement on the date, and to the extent specified, in the Notice of Termination;
  2. Continue to provide the same level of care as previously required under the terms of this Agreement until the date of termination;
  3. If members are to be transferred to another facility for services, furnish to COUNTY, upon request, all member information and documents deemed necessary by COUNTY to affect an orderly transfer;
  4. If appropriate, assist COUNTY in effecting the transfer of member in a manner consistent with the best interest of the member's welfare;
  5. Cancel outstanding commitments covering the procurement of materials, supplies, equipment and miscellaneous items. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall exercise all reasonable diligence to accomplish the cancellation of outstanding commitments required by this Agreement, which relate to personal services. With respect to these canceled commitments, the CONTRACTOR agrees to provide a written plan to DIRECTOR or designee within thirty (30) days for settlement of all outstanding liabilities and all claims arising out of such cancellation of commitments. Such plan shall be subject to the approval or ratification of the COUNTY, which approval or ratification shall be final for all purposes of this clause;
  6. Transfer to COUNTY and deliver in the manner, at the times, and to the extent, if any, as directed by COUNTY, any equipment which, if the Agreement had been completed, would have been required to be furnished to COUNTY;
  7. Take such action as may be necessary, or as COUNTY may direct, for the protection and preservation of the equipment related to this Agreement which is in the possession of CONTRACTOR and in which COUNTY has or may acquire an interest; and,
  8. COUNTY shall continue to pay CONTRACTOR at the same rate as previously allowed until the date of termination, as determined by the Notice of Termination.
- I. The CONTRACTOR shall submit a termination claim to COUNTY promptly after receipt of a Notice of Termination, or on expiration of this Agreement as specified in Section II, PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE, but in no event, later than thirty-two (32) days from the effective date thereof, unless an extension, in writing, is granted by the COUNTY.
- J. In instances where the CONTRACTOR'S Agreement is terminated and/or allowed to expire by the COUNTY and not renewed for a subsequent fiscal year, COUNTY reserves the right to enter into settlement talks with the CONTRACTOR in order to resolve any remaining and/or outstanding contractual issues, including but not limited to, financials, services, billing, cost report, etc. In such instances of settlement and/or litigation, CONTRACTOR will be solely responsible for associated costs for their organizations' legal process pertaining to these matters including, but not limited to, legal fees, documentation copies, and legal representatives. CONTRACTOR further understands that if settlement agreements are entered into in association with this Agreement, the COUNTY reserves the right to collect interest on any outstanding amount that is owed by the CONTRACTOR back to the COUNTY at a rate of no less than 5% of the balance.
- K. CONTRACTOR shall deliver or make available to RUHS-BH all financial records that may have been accumulated by CONTRACTOR or subcontractor under this Contract, whether completed, partially completed or in progress within seven (7) calendar days of said termination/end date.

- L. The rights and remedies of COUNTY provided in this section shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

#### **XLIII. DISPUTE**

In the event of a dispute between COUNTY and CONTRACTOR over the execution of the terms of this Agreement, the quality of member services being rendered, and/or the withholding of CONTRACTOR'S payments due to instances such as material non-compliance or audit disallowances or both, the CONTRACTOR may file a written protest with the appropriate Program/Regional Administrator of the COUNTY. CONTRACTOR shall continue with the responsibilities under this Agreement during any dispute. The Program/Regional Administrator shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within ten (10) working days. If the CONTRACTOR is dissatisfied with the Program/Regional Administrator's response, the CONTRACTOR may file successive written protests up through the RUHS-BH's administrative levels of Assistant Director, and (finally), DIRECTOR. Each administrative level shall have twenty (20) working days to respond in writing to the CONTRACTOR.

Any dispute relating to this Agreement, which is not resolved by the parties, shall be decided by the COUNTY's Purchasing Department's Compliance Contract Officer who shall furnish the decision in writing. The decision of the COUNTY's Compliance Contract Officer shall be final and conclusive unless determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to have been fraudulent, capricious, arbitrary, or so grossly erroneous to imply bad faith. The CONTRACTOR shall proceed diligently with the performance of this Agreement pending the resolution of a dispute.

Prior to the filing of any legal action related to this Agreement, the parties shall be obligated to attend a mediation session in Riverside County before a neutral third-party mediator. A second mediation session shall be required if the first session is not successful. The parties shall share the cost of the mediations.

#### **XLIV. SEVERABILITY**

If any provision of this Agreement or application thereof to any person or circumstances shall be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, or is in contravention of any Federal, State, or County statute, ordinance, or regulation, the remaining provisions of this Agreement or the application thereof shall not be invalidated thereby and shall remain in full force and effect, and to that extent the provisions of this Agreement are declared severable.

#### **XLV. VENUE**

This Agreement shall be construed and interpreted according to the laws of the State of California. Any action at law or in equity brought by either of the parties hereto for the purpose of enforcing a right or rights provided by this Agreement shall be tried in a court of competent jurisdiction in the County of Riverside and the parties hereby waive all provisions of law providing for a change of venue in such proceedings in any other COUNTY.

#### **XLVI. NOTICES**

All correspondence and notices required or contemplated by this Agreement shall be delivered to the respective parties at the addresses set forth below and are deemed submitted one day after their deposit in the United States mail, postage prepaid:

CONTRACTOR:

MFI RECOVERY CENTER  
5870 ARLINGTON AVE, #103  
RIVERSIDE, CA 92504

COUNTY:

RIVERSIDE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM –  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
ATTN: CONTRACTS ADMINISTRATION  
P.O. BOX 7549  
RIVERSIDE, CA 92513-7549

#### **XLVII. MEETINGS**

As a condition of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR, if and where applicable, shall agree to attend the mandatory all-provider meetings scheduled quarterly by the Behavioral Health Program Administrator or its designee. Decision making and/or and equivalent and appropriate level of CONTRACTOR'S personnel must attend these meetings. Decision making and/or equivalent and appropriate level personnel are defined by the COUNTY as Program Director level or above. Critical information and data is disseminated at these meetings and will not be provided at any other time. CONTRACTOR failure to attend the mandatory meetings may influence future Agreement renewal.

#### **XLVIII. DISASTER PREPAREDNESS**

CONTRACTOR shall develop and update contingency plans to continue the delivery of services in the event of a man-made, natural, or biological disaster. RUHS-BH expects CONTRACTOR to have a disaster plan in place and RUHS-BH would expect CONTRACTOR to have it available for review upon request and/or during contract monitoring visits.

#### **XLIX. SWEATFREE CODE OF CONDUCT**

CONTRACTORS contracting for the procurement or laundering of apparel, garments or corresponding accessories, or the procurement of equipment, materials, or supplies declare under penalty of perjury that no apparel, garments or corresponding accessories, equipment, materials, or supplies furnished to the state pursuant to the contract have been laundered or produced in whole or in part by sweatshop labor, forced labor, convict labor, indentured labor under penal sanction, abusive forms of child labor or exploitation of children in sweatshop labor, or with the benefit of sweatshop labor, forced labor, convict labor, indentured labor under penal sanction, abusive forms of child labor or exploitation of children in sweatshop labor. The contractor further declares under penalty of perjury that they adhere to the Sweatfree Code of Conduct as set forth on the California Department of Industrial Relations website located at [www.dir.ca.gov](http://www.dir.ca.gov), and Public Contract Code Section 6108.

- A. CONTRACTOR agrees to cooperate fully in providing reasonable access to the CONTRACTOR's records, documents, agents or employees, or premises if reasonably required by authorized officials of the COUNTY, the Department of Industrial Relations, or the Department of Justice to determine the contractor's compliance with the requirements.

**EXHIBIT A**  
**SCOPE OF WORK**

**CONTRACTOR NAME:** MFI Recovery Center  
**PROGRAM NAME:** Desert Sage Adult Residential Facility – Housing  
**DEPARTMENT ID:** 4100217397-74700-530280

CONTRACTOR, shall provide to Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health (RUHS-BH), hereinafter referred to as COUNTY, increased support in a residential care facility licensed by the State of California Community Care Licensing (CCL) Division as an Adult Residential Care Facility (aka Board and Care) to mental health consumers requiring a higher level of care than basic care and supervision. These consumers are eligible for community- based housing but have remained at high level of care programs because they need additional supervision and support not available at the basic licensed level of care and supervision. The contract funds are intended to establish additional support that is above what is already required by CCL as a condition of licensure.

**A. PROGAM GOALS:**

1. Create opportunities for persons in locked long-term care facilities to return to un-restrictive (unlocked) community-based housing;
2. Assist residents to develop effective illness management skills and life skills that are necessary for transition to housing in longer term semi-independent or independent living housing environments;
3. To increase the quality, pace, and/or rate of recovery related to behavioral health, healthy lifestyles, and overall health and wellness for residents served; and
4. Reduce the need and length of stay in higher cost, higher level of care locked institutional and unlocked treatment facilities (e.g., Adult Residential Treatment Programs).

**B. PROGRAM SERVICES:**

1. Adult Residential Care services at the County owned facility, known as “**Desert Sage**”, located at, 82-425 Miles Avenue, Indio, CA 92201 with the current capacity of 49 beds/residents.
2. In addition to providing basic care and supervision as required by CCL regulations, the primary areas of focus in the program would be to:
  - a. Provide a robust peer-to-peer recovery environment in a residential care setting.
  - b. Improve resident resilience and self-sufficiency vision and values.
  - c. Foster opportunities to improve social skills and the development of community and social connectedness.
  - d. Promote whole health, healthy lifestyles through an integrated health model of care that includes engagement, prevention, education and support.

- e. Include peer-to-peer evidenced based interventions related to life domains such as behavioral health recovery, illness management, health and wellness, etc.
  - f. Provide additional supports to meet the needs of individuals with co-occurring mental health, substance abuse and/or physical health disorders that are common barriers for the individual to reside in licensed ARFs or succeed in community-based living facilities.
3. Support should be individualized and include a combination of group and one-on-one interventions. The areas of service should be offered on a daily basis. Frequency and content of service documentation should accurately reflect residents' participation and progress in each area identified in their RUHS – BH service plan. The Needs and Services Plan shall be developed in partnership with the resident and residents' participation and movement towards goals shall be documented in the resident's individual file.
4. COUNTY will authorize clients for either 1) Recuperative Care or 2) Short-Term Post Hospitalization.
5. CONTRACTOR shall obtain CCL approval to admit and assist persons eligible for CCL health condition waivers, including but not limited to, persons using continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) or similar devices, persons with insulin dependent diabetes and persons with ambulatory limitations, etc. Persons with ambulatory limitations shall not be denied admission if they meet all other admission criteria and the facility has ADA capacity to house persons in wheelchairs. Admission of persons requiring health conditions waivers shall be evaluated jointly with COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR'S staff to assist these residents as required by CCL.
6. Evidenced based trauma-informed behavioral health recovery interventions shall be provided by clinical staff and/or peer support counselors/coaches under the direction of the clinical director. Examples of this would be illness management, Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP), and Whole Action Care Management (WHAM), seeking safety, motivational interviewing techniques, cognitive or dialectical behavioral therapies, etc.
7. Services shall include regular and planned interventions to assist residents with co-occurring substance use issues to achieve and sustain substance related recovery.
8. Services shall include trauma informed peer-to-peer support, coaching and mentoring.
9. Peer participation in planned recovery activities is expected and activities shall be consistent with the skill development identified through the WRAP and Service Plan process.
10. CONTRACTOR shall include residents in the planning of residential services consistent with the principles of recovery and resilience.

11. Program / Activities Calendar shall be posted and correspond to the facility's master plan and residents' service plans. The calendar should reflect the areas of services needed, or requested, by the residents. A copy of this must also be submitted to the RUHS – BH Regional Administrator, or designee on a monthly basis.
12. Program participants shall receive services through COUNTY operated or contract outpatient programs, which may include, but not be limited to, outpatient services, Full-Service Partnership programs and Peer Resource Centers. However, CONTRACTOR will have responsibility for providing complimentary and coordinated on-site support and recovery-oriented health and wellness activities.
13. Examples of services consistent with program objectives:
  - a. Reassurance and Structure – closely monitoring resident whereabouts, especially in the resident's initial phase of the program. The goal is to establish a trauma-informed residential setting where residents feel safe in progressing from group outings to peer outings and ultimately independent trips into the community. Program staff are accessible to residents, spending time interacting with residents, whether in groups, activities, or on an individual basis.
  - b. Medication education – Assisting residents in recognizing and overcoming medication side effects. Empowering consumers to communicate needs effectively with their health and psychiatric providers.
  - c. Utilizing evidenced based illness management techniques such as WRAP and WHAM that promote recovery, resilience and whole person's health.
  - d. Coordination of recovery goals & plans with RUHS-BH providers and significant others.
  - e. Life-skills training that also empower and promote confidence in self-sufficiency skills and abilities in areas such as basic housekeeping, hygiene and personal self-care, budgeting and money management, meal planning/shopping/preparation, etc.
  - f. Additional transportation (not otherwise required by license) – the program will:
    - i. Provide transportation to those activities and appointments (including evenings and weekends as needed) in order to meet the needs and goals of the service plan and to support participation in planned programs.
    - ii. Provide transportation to community activities.
    - iii. Train residents in the use of public transportation as needed.
  - g. Social Skill Development – Supported activities that provide opportunities to develop social and communication skills shall be provided on-site, in a manner that is consumer driven, includes meaningful activities and supports recovery.
  - h. Health Promotion and Prevention – The provider shall develop a plan and schedule of activities that will promote health and wellness. Examples of activities include daily exercise activity, health and sex education, nutrition, smoking cessation education and support, etc.
  - i. Family Involvement – Develop strategies to welcome family and significant others to participate in resident recovery efforts. Coordinate Family Peer

- activities with RUHS-BH Family Peer Support/Advocate programs and services
- j. Program Activities – Provide supplies for activities for residents.
    - i. Allocation is limited to activities not already required by CCL and linked to residents' behavioral health services plan.
  - k. Maintain meeting minutes of the Residents' Advisory Council that participates in the development of the proposed monthly activity schedule; planning in-house programs; and participate in problem solving or potential strategies to improve their housing environment or resident/provider collaboration.
14. CONTRACTOR will be expected to work collaboratively with the RUHS-BH directly operated and contracted outpatient programs (including mental health, drug use, and integrated healthcare programs) to form an integrated network of care for adults in mental health systems.
  15. CONTRACTOR will maintain close communication with COUNTY designated contract program liaison to ensure that contracted services can be accessed in a timely manner and that housing is provided in the least restrictive setting possible.
  16. COUNTY designated liaison and/or case managers shall participate in both routine and adjunctive service planning consultation meetings with the provider and consumer in order to ensure that the services provided are collaborative and coordinated, and that the goals of the resident are achieved. These meetings may include, and should promote, the participation of family or significant others as necessary and appropriate.
  17. CONTRACTOR shall be expected to provide services that establish a welcoming environment that is sensitive to, and inclusive of, residents' ethnic and cultural backgrounds. CONTRACTOR shall ensure the provision of culturally competent services. Services provided shall be based on values and goals of the adopted RUHS-BH Cultural Competency Plan (see Resource section) available for review at: <http://www.rcdmh.org/ccp>.
    - a. They shall provide written material in RUHS-BH threshold languages (currently English and Spanish).
    - b. Provider shall employ bilingual direct service staff for any threshold language in the number necessary to minimize communication barriers and establish a welcoming environment for program participation.
    - c. If a non-threshold language is necessary, providers shall ensure the clinically and culturally appropriate use of interpreters and language interpretative services. The use of off-site (contracted) interpretive services for threshold languages should be short-term and approved by COUNTY.
  18. CONTRACTOR shall be required to comply with outcome measures as established by RUHS-BH requirements. This will include but may not be limited to; RUHS-BH Client Satisfaction Surveys, RUHS-BH Provider Satisfaction Surveys, and Measures linked to the Program goals.
  19. CONTRACTOR shall develop and maintain emergency plans in compliance with CCL requirements. The plan shall also include contingency plans to continue the delivery of services for a minimum of seven (7) days in the event of a man-made or

natural disaster or facility structural emergencies. The plan shall include protocols for orienting every guest on evacuation or emergency procedures and document routine drills for staff. Emergency supplies shall be checked and updated as needed or every six (6) months, whichever is sooner. The Disaster/Emergency plan shall be reviewed, updated and submitted to RUHS-BH annually.

**C. TARGET POPULATION:**

1. Adults ages 18-59, with serious and persistent mental health disorder(s) that significantly impair their ability to live in the community without the services available through the Adult Residential Care Facility. The program may house residents who exceed 59 years of age allowed per CCL regulations and based on COUNTY need.
2. Individuals who have reached a level of psychiatric stabilization from an acute or long-term psychiatric facility but require continued community-based support in a supervised residential setting. These consumers are generally characterized by a history of severe and persistent mental health disorders that has resulted in significant and disabling functional impairments related to their mental health disorder(s). These consumers would typically be on, or have a history of, LPS conservatorship; and who may have co-occurring substance use or physical health disorders (such as insulin dependent diabetes, utilizes a C-PAP device, has some ambulation challenges, etc. that often are barriers to receiving licensed residential services due to lack of CCL required waivers) that contribute to lack of access to community based support or licensed placement options.
3. Referrals: Potential residents shall be identified by COUNTY based appropriateness for community-based residential care, the consumer's need for level of care, and placement priorities determined by population census/capacity of higher level of care facilities. Referrals shall primarily be identified among RUHS- BH consumers receiving services at:
  - a. IMD, SNF/STP, and State Hospital facilities;
  - b. Adult Residential Treatment Facilities (ARF) and Anne Sippi, Specialized Residential Care Program;
  - c. High service users of acute psychiatric facilities within prior 12 months that have been or, considered for, temporary LPS conservatorship and/or
  - d. Participants in criminal justice diversion programs and civil court programs (e.g. Prop 47 and AB 109, Laura's Law, and CARE Court).
4. Admissions: COUNTY shall work with CONTRACTOR to develop Admission Criteria. Admission denials shall be monitored as a component of Program Outcomes and subject to COUNTY review.

**D. FACILITY:**

The Adult Residential Care services will be provided at the County owned facility, known as "**Desert Sage**", located at, 82-425 Miles Avenue, Indio, CA 92201 with the current capacity of 49 beds/residents. A licensing agreement (lease) will be transferred to the CONTRACTOR and will be managed by Riverside County Economic Development Agency, Real Estate Division. This zero-sum cost agreement will include the use of the facility, utilities, maintenance and landscaping at no cost to the tenant. Residential housekeeping is not included. Residential housekeeping refers to laundry, change of

linens, dining area after meal cleaning or daily "on call" cleaning for "accidental" operational spills, residents bathrooms/showers, etc. CONTRACTOR shall maintain or ensure that subcontractor, if any, maintains the residential facility and furnishings as required by COUNTY.

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1. FURNISHINGS AND EQUIPMENT: The offices will be furnished with administrative/staff office furniture. Living area, bedroom, dining and group room furniture will also be provided consistent with CCL requirements. Any additional furniture purchases via the contract shall remain the property of the COUNTY. This facility should maintain a residential appearance and meet all State Department of Social Services CCL requirements.
2. APPROVAL FOR PURCHASE: CONTRACTOR must receive written approval from the COUNTY prior to purchasing any equipment or furnishings. Any equipment or furnishings not approved by the COUNTY prior to purchase may not be reimbursed to the CONTRACTOR by the COUNTY.

**E. GENERAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Coordination and Collaboration  
CONTRACTOR will be expected to work collaboratively with the COUNTY directly operated and contracted outpatient programs (including mental health, drug abuse and integrated care programs) to form an integrated network of care for adults in the mental health system. The CONTRACTOR will maintain close communication with the COUNTY designated facility liaison to ensure that contracted services can be accessed in a timely manner and that housing is provided in the least restrictive setting possible.

COUNTY designated liaison and/or case managers shall participate in both routine and adjunctive service planning consultation meetings with the provider and client in order to ensure that the services provided are collaborative and coordinated, and that the goals of the resident are achieved. These meetings may include family or significant others as necessary and appropriate.

2. Cultural and Gender Competence  
Program staff shall be expected to provide services that establish a welcoming environment that is sensitive to, and inclusive of, residents' ethnic and cultural background. The provider shall ensure the provision of culturally competent services. Services provided shall be based on values and goals of the adopted RUHS-BH Cultural Competency Plan (see Resource section) available for review at: <http://www.rcdmh.org/ccp>. They shall provide written material in RUHS-BH threshold languages (currently English and Spanish). CONTRACTOR shall employ bilingual staff for any threshold language in the number necessary to minimize communication barriers and establish a welcoming environment for program participation. If a non-threshold language is necessary, providers shall ensure the clinically and culturally appropriate use of interpreters and language interpretative services. The use of off-site (contracted) interpretive services for threshold languages should be short- term and approved by COUNTY.

3. Program Outcomes  
CONTRACTOR shall be required to comply with outcome measures as established by COUNTY requirements. This will include but may not be limited to:
  - a. RUHS-BH Client Satisfaction Surveys.
  - b. RUHS-BH Provider Satisfaction Surveys; and
  - c. Measures linked to the Program goals.

**F. STAFFING REQUIREMENTS:**

1. CONTRACTOR staffing will include both State and CCL residential care staff and additional staff as needed to provide services. Staff should be fully qualified and have the required education/training to provide the specialty services required under this contract.
  - a. A Registered Nurse is required for Recuperative Care and Short-Term Post Hospitalization care.
  - b. Short Term Post Hospitalization care requires a CCL and additional staff as needed including a Clinical Therapist to offer services and supports as outlined in the Scope of Work.
2. COUNTY will disallow any claim for payment of personnel costs, if the reimbursement requested is for CCL required personnel. Examples of staffing allowed are as follows:
  - a. Operations:
    - i. Clinical Director with RN License
    - ii. Clinical Therapist/Substance Abuse Counselor
    - iii. Peer Support Counselors/Community Workers
    - iv. Program Director
    - v. Medication Coordinator
    - vi. Food Service Workers
    - vii. House Managers
    - viii. Housekeeping
    - ix. Transportation Driver

The CONTRACTOR providers and residential facility staff shall participate in 16 hours of annual staff trauma-informed development training focused on improving their skills and ability in working with persons with serious mental health and substance abuse disorders. The CONTRACTOR shall be required to submit their training to COUNTY for review and approval. CONTRACTOR'S standard employee training (e.g. HR or safety related) and CCL training requirements may not be used to substitute for this training requirement.

3. All staff shall receive training in principles of good nutrition, food preparation and storage. Additionally, staff designated to prepare food shall have sufficient training and skills in order to be generally consistent with CCL regulation noted in Title 22, Division 6, Chapter 8, Article 10, Section 87555. This is a state licensing requirement for Community Care Facilities to meet the dietary needs of the residents. The state requirement mandates residents shall receive the Recommended Dietary Allowances of the Food and Nutrition Board of the National Research Council.

4. CONTRACTOR shall conduct criminal background record checks and receive fingerprint clearance from the California Department of Justice (DOJ) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for all employees, subcontractors and volunteers that work with, interact with and/or whom have access to individuals receiving services.

**G. SUBCONTRACTING:**

CONTRACTOR shall not enter into any subcontract with any subcontractor who:

1. Is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, and declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by a federal department or agency.
2. Has within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for the commission of fraud, or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction; violation of Federal or State anti-trust status or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
3. Is presently indicated or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in the paragraph above; and
4. Has within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.
  - a. CONTRACTOR shall be as fully responsible for the acts or omissions of its subcontractors, and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by them as for the acts of omissions of persons directly employed by the CONTRACTOR.
  - b. CONTRACTOR shall insert appropriate clauses in all subcontracts to bind subcontractors to the terms and conditions of this contract insofar as they are applicable to the work of subcontractors.
  - c. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall create any contractual relationship between any subcontractor and the County of Riverside, its Agencies, Districts, Special Districts and Departments, their respective directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents and representatives.

**H. PROGRAM ADMISSION AND DISCHARGE:**

1. Admissions will be authorized only by designated COUNTY staff. Program admissions shall be done through collaborative review and approval with RUHS-BH, based on adopted admission criteria and protocols. Criteria and protocols shall also be consistent with the provisions established by the facility's CCL license requirements.
2. Designated COUNTY staff will review and approve admissions to, and discharges from, the Desert Sage and work collaboratively with the Desert Sage staff to establish Individual Needs and Services Plans for each resident.
3. Admission denials shall be referred to the facility Administrator and the COUNTY Supervisor for review and resolution.

4. Consumers denied admission by CONTRACTOR shall be subject to review by COUNTY Administrative Management. Note: Denials that are inconsistent with adopted admission criteria and/or because of diminished service capacity due to provider operational limitations (e.g. staff shortages) will affect eligibility for negotiated bed day reimbursement for any period of diminished capacity.
5. COUNTY designated case managers shall be responsible for coordinating placement into the facility, this includes coordinating any pre-placement visits and interviews, ensuring that CCL placement needs and health assessments are scheduled and completed. It also includes assisting in the coordination and scheduling follow-up COUNTY services (e.g. intake assessments, initial psychiatric evaluations, transfer of existing prescription medications, etc.). CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for arranging for ongoing physical health care services and needs.
6. All referrals/admissions shall be made and approved by COUNTY designated staff. Currently, the following referral eligibility criteria include:
  - a. Consumers who are being discharged from a State Hospital, IMD, SNF/STP facility and who require a higher level of residential support as they transition back to community based living;
  - b. Consumers transitioning from higher level residential programs (i.e. Anne Sippi, Adult Residential Treatment facilities) who need ongoing support consistent with their recovery need;
  - c. Consumers who have been admitted to an acute psychiatric inpatient unit two (2) or more times within the last six (6) months and/or have required temporary LPS conservatorship prior to inpatient discharge;
  - d. Consumers who are not able to independently follow an agreed upon treatment plan and are at risk of re-hospitalization and have been ineffectively served by other outreach attempts;
  - e. Consumers who have a long history of excessive service utilization with minimal beneficial response;
  - f. Consumers whose needs have been unsuccessfully met though basic level residential care, supervision, and are at risk of returning to a more restricted level of care.
7. Generally, admission will occur between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Weekend admissions may be authorized by COUNTY if the admission is pre-authorized and the coordination of supports (e.g., medications) and admission protocols are followed and comply with CCL requirements.
8. Planned discharge will occur as a coordinated effort between COUNTY and CONTRACTOR. COUNTY shall work with the selected provider to establish discharge criteria and protocols. Discharge criteria shall be based on demonstrated progress and stability related to functional impairments. Examples of progress/stability indicators may include but may not be limited to:
  - a. Length of time since last hospitalization or stay in a higher level of care.
  - b. Symptom stability as well as active and effective progress on illness management and self-sufficiency indicators.

- c. Improved self-care and self-sufficiency (e.g. personal hygiene, money management, etc.) that have contributed to placement failures in a basic level of care facility.
- d. Objective and measurable improvement in social skills and/or peer interactions.
- e. Progress toward sobriety and/or length of time without drug / alcohol involvement;
- f. Indication that the resident no longer requires enhanced residential support and can progress to a licensed facility that provides only basic care and supervision levels of support; and/or
- g. Ability to self-manage physical health care needs and live in an unassisted residential setting.

**I. DOCUMENTATION OF SERVICES:**

1. CONTRACTOR shall maintain appropriate records documenting all of the services provided to, or on behalf of, the residents served through the current contract. The documentation of staffing, payroll, other program costs, and program activities shall clearly indicate program staff time that is separate from basic residential care staff. These records shall conform to the requirements of the licensing authority, the State Department of Social Services and COUNTY. Mental Health services provided by the CONTRACTOR are not considered specialty mental health services and therefore, not eligible for third party reimbursement. A formal Electronic Health Record system is not required to provide services; however, electronic based reporting, service documentation and outcome tracking will be required. COUNTY shall establish protocols related to documentation frequency requirements (daily s. weekly) based on intervention type/status.
2. These records shall include, but are not limited to:
  - a. Adverse incident reports - CONTRACTOR will document all adverse incidents affecting the physical and emotional welfare of consumers in accordance with RUHS-BH policy and CCL regulations. Examples of adverse incidents include, but are not limited to, serious physical harm to self or others, serious destruction of property, elopements, etc. The CONTRACTOR will notify appropriate COUNTY programs/staff (including the Public Guardian for public conservatee) and Community Care licensing within twenty-four (24) hours of any serious adverse incidents affecting consumers' welfare. Furthermore, CONTRACTOR shall also provide COUNTY a copy of any organizational adverse incident review reports for serious events as requested by the designated RUHS-BH Administrative Manager.
  - b. Provide an accurate daily census to COUNTY staff via Internet at intervals established by the COUNTY.
  - c. All Protected Health Information records must comply with Federal and State regulations, HIPAA, and RUHS-BH policies and procedures. Records shall conform to the requirements of the State Licensing Authority, CCL.
  - d. Records maintained at the facility by CONTRACTOR on behalf of COUNTY are the property of COUNTY.
  - e. Data entry into the COUNTY Management Information System as specified by COUNTY.

**J. CONTRACT PERFORMANCE MONITORING:**

1. CONTRACTOR shall participate in the COUNTY annual contract monitoring and more frequent program reviews as required by COUNTY. COUNTY RUHS-BH Administrative Management, Program Administrator/Manager, Supervisor, or staff person with proper identification shall be allowed to enter and inspect the facility at any time.
2. CONTRACTOR will be assigned a designated COUNTY program monitor and shall be accountable to the program monitor. CONTRACTOR shall submit monthly client specific bed day reports to the designated RUHS-BH representative as defined by COUNTY.
3. The monthly contract monitoring report will be delivered to the program monitor and Regional Administrative Manager in the form of an electronic document.

**K. PERFORMANCE OUTCOMES:**

1. The renewal of a contract between COUNTY and awarded CONTRACTOR is contingent upon CONTRACTOR'S ability to meet or exceed the following performance outcomes: CONTRACTOR shall maintain an overall 90% satisfied consumer rating with service level on their customer satisfaction surveys. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible to work with consumer representatives, family members, and staff to design and develop a "Consumer Satisfaction Questionnaire" to measure consumers' satisfaction with the program. The CONTRACTOR shall submit the questionnaire to the COUNTY for approval before administering it to consumers. CONTRACTOR shall request that all consumers complete the satisfaction survey at time of discharge, and mail to RUHS-BH contract monitor. Consumers shall be asked to complete this questionnaire anonymously. CONTRACTOR shall make the necessary arrangements with third parties to provide consumers with assistance to complete the questionnaire if needed. COUNTY shall tabulate and summarize the results and make copies of all surveys received available to the CONTRACTOR bi-annually.
2. CONTRACTOR shall maintain an overall 85% satisfied customer rating with collaborative partners (e.g. COUNTY programs and affiliate providers that support Desert Sage's consumers during and after their stay). CONTRACTOR shall be responsible to work with COUNTY representatives to design and develop a "Collaborative Partner Consumer Satisfaction Questionnaire" to measure consumer satisfaction with the program. The survey shall measure areas such as accessibility, quality of care, effective and timely coordination of care, discharge planning, coordination and follow-through.
3. CONTRACTOR and COUNTY shall collaborate on the most efficient method of bi-annual survey distribution. COUNTY shall tabulate and summarize the results and make copies of all surveys received available to the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall be accountable via reimbursement rates to ensure compliance with admission criteria or for denied admissions due to lack of adequate staff coverage.
4. COUNTY reserves the right to modify these Performance Outcomes.

**L. REGULATORY COMPLIANCE:**

CONTRACTOR(s) shall:

1. Comply with any and all Federal, State, or local laws and licensing regulations including but not limited to:
  - a. State of California Department of Social Services Community Care Licensing Division Regulations;
  - b. Riverside University Health System - Behavioral Health policies and procedures;
  - c. Federal Fair Housing regulations; and
  - d. County and City Ordinances and Regulations.
2. Participate in the COUNTY annual contract monitoring as well as more frequent program reviews. Any associated RUHS-BH Administrator, Manager, Supervisor, medical, clinical, para-professional staff or RUHS-BH Designee, with proper identification and established provider responsibility for the program or guest consumers, shall be allowed to enter and inspect the facility.
3. Maintain at all times appropriate licenses and permits to operate the programs pursuant to State laws and local ordinances.

**M. REIMBURSEMENT:**

1. Reimbursement for the cost of delivering the services described shall not exceed the negotiated rate resulting from negotiations with the COUNTY. The negotiated rate will include the cost per bed day, per consumer. COUNTY shall not reimburse for vacant bed-day costs when the vacancy is due to CONTRACTOR non-compliance with admission standards and/or staff shortages.
2. COUNTY shall pay CONTRACTOR for services performed and expenses incurred not to exceed the maximum agreement amount. Compensation shall be paid in accordance with a properly prepared invoice submitted and monthly service data summary within five (5) days from the last day of each calendar month. CONTRACTOR shall submit a Program Integrity Form (PIF) for COUNTY to process payment. COUNTY shall pay the invoice thirty (30) working days from the date of receipt of the invoice/PIF.
3. CONTRACTOR is responsible for obtaining reimbursement for the cost of the room and board, and care and supervision, directly from the consumer or their representative payee. CONTRACTOR shall also be designated as a provider of indigent housing via RUHS-BH Life Support program. Therefore, CONTRACTOR may seek SSD/SSI rate of reimbursement from COUNTY for room and board/care and supervision services for indigent residents with prior authorization through the Life Support Program.
4. RUHS-BH shall establish premium bed day rates of an additional 10% for each bed occupied above 44 beds.

**N. DISASTER PREPAREDNESS:**

CONTRACTOR shall develop and update contingency plans to continue the delivery of services for a minimum of seven (7) days in the event of a man-made or natural disaster or facility structural emergencies. The plan shall include protocols for orienting every

guest on evacuation or emergency procedures and document routine drills for staff. Emergency supplies shall be checked and updated as needed or every six (6) months, whichever is sooner. The Disaster/Emergency plan shall be reviewed, updated and submitted to COUNTY annually.

**O. COUNTY SUPPORT AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE:**

COUNTY shall provide technical assistance on an as-needed basis for new program CONTRACTORS. Such technical assistance typically includes, but is not limited to, orientation to the COUNTY'S MIS systems, and data entry guidelines; reviewing and interpreting COUNTY policies and procedures; providing on-going agency liaison with RUHS-BH and the Department's other CONTRACTORS to ensure optimal collaborations, etc.

**P. SHORT-TERM POST-HOSPITALIZATION HOUSING SERVICES**

CONTRACTOR agrees to provide Short-Term Post-Hospitalization Housing services that utilize best practices (e.g., Housing First, Harm Reduction, Progressive Engagement, Motivational Interviewing, and Trauma Informed Care) for Members who are experiencing homelessness and have complex health, disability, and/or behavioral health conditions.

1. CONTRACTOR shall provide consumers who do not have a residence and who have high medical and/or behavioral health needs with the opportunity to continue their medical/psychiatric/substance use disorder recovery immediately after exiting an inpatient hospital (either acute or psychiatric or Chemical Dependency and Recovery hospital), residential substance use disorder treatment or recovery facility, correctional facility, nursing facility, or recuperative care.
2. CONTRACTOR shall provide consumers with ongoing supports necessary for recuperation and recovery such as gaining (or regaining) the ability to perform activities of daily living, receiving necessary medical/psychiatric/substance use disorder care, case management and beginning to access other housing supports such as Housing Transition Navigation.
3. CONTRACTOR will assess each consumer to determine if consumers are a candidate for permanent supportive housing as appropriate.
  - a. In collaboration with COUNTY-contracted Community Supports Housing providers, CONTRACTOR will determine consumer's eligibility for social services and temporary/permanent housing programs and refer consumer for services as appropriate
4. Upon exit from the program, if not transitioned to permanent supportive housing, CONTRACTOR shall make all reasonable efforts to connect each Member to an alternative facility, shelter, or permanent housing.
5. If indicated, CONTRACTOR shall assist consumer in navigating the health system and building a relationship with the consumer's PCP.
6. As needed, CONTRACTOR shall assist consumer in accessing transportation to and from medical and behavioral health appointments.

**Q. COORDINATING DISCHARGES**

CONTRACTOR agrees to:

1. Maintain written discharge policy. The policy will specify the personnel authorized to make discharge decisions.
2. Provide COUNTY with adequate notice prior to consumer discharge.
3. Ensure that consumers are informed of the discharge policy and procedure.
4. Ensure that consumers are given a minimum of 24 hours' notice prior to being discharged from the program (exceptions for some administrative discharges).
5. Provide a discharge summary available to the consumer with the following discharge instructions:
  - a. Written medication list
  - b. List of follow-up appointments and contact information
  - c. Instructions for accessing relevant community resources

**R. CENSUS AND STAFFING REQUIREMENTS**

CONTRACTOR agrees to:

1. Provide COUNTY a Daily Census that will include, but not limited to: Consumer name, Authorization Number, ID Number, Status (Admit, Pending), Admit Date, Exit Date, Length of Stay, Housing Interview (Yes, No), Prior Facility, Departure Notes, and Other Notes as applicable.
2. Require that staff employed by the CONTRACTOR have written job descriptions and meet the qualifications required by such job descriptions.
3. Ensure that licensing and credentials are initially verified and reviewed, at minimum, on an annual basis.
4. Ensure that at least one (1) RN or higher medical services provider to provide evaluations and reporting as required by DHCS.

**S. RECUPERATIVE CARE COORDINATION AND FACILITATION**

1. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide Recuperative Care services to consumers at program location
2. CONTRACTOR shall coordinate and facilitate consumer's recovery care after hospital discharge.
3. CONTRACTOR shall accept or deny the consumer within 24 business hours of receiving the completed referral from COUNTY.
4. CONTRACTOR agrees to exit each consumer from the program as soon as he/she is determined to no longer require the program's recuperative care services. The actual length of stay shall not exceed 90 days.

#### **T. CASE MANAGEMENT**

1. CONTRACTOR shall case manage each consumer to prepare the consumer for permanent supportive housing as appropriate.
2. In collaboration with COUNTY-contracted Community Supports Housing Tenancy and Sustaining Services providers, CONTRACTOR shall determine consumer's eligibility for social services and temporary/permanent housing programs.
3. Case management services shall include assisting consumer in replacing missing or necessary documents, such as birth certificate, photo ID, immigration papers, and Social Security cards. Consumer shall also receive:
  - a. Assistance with applying for income-related benefits, such as General Relief, food stamps, SSDI, SSI, Medicare, Medi-Cal, unemployment benefits, etc.
  - b. Referrals to primary medical care, mental health services, and other community services as needed.
  - c. Assistance with monitoring any consumer legal issues and making appropriate referrals while addressing any barriers to accessing and maintaining housing and services (e.g., credit history, criminal records, pending warrants, etc.)
4. Upon exit from the program, CONTRACTOR shall make all reasonable efforts to connect each consumer to an alternative facility, shelter, or permanent housing.

#### **U. TRANSPORTATION**

1. CONTRACTOR shall provide and/or arrange for the transportation of consumers to and from any follow-up appointments scheduled during the consumers' approved length of stay with CONTRACTOR.
  - a. The initial transportation from the discharging hospital to the program will be provided by the hospital.

#### **V. SAFE AND QUALITY ACCOMODATIONS**

CONTRACTOR agrees to:

1. Provide consumers with a clean and safe place to sleep, daily meals, hygiene supplies, and access to laundry.
2. Ensure a bed is available to each consumer admitted 24 hours a day.
3. Confirm that on-site showering and laundering facilities are available to consumer.
4. Ensure that clean linens are provided upon admission.
5. Confirm that facility provides access to secured storage for personal belongings and medications.
6. Guarantee and ensure that food services meet applicable public health guidelines for food handling.
7. Provide at least three meals a day to consumers.
8. Ensure that meals accommodate medical diet restrictions.
9. Ensure that facility maintains 24-hour staff presence. On-site staff are trained at a minimum to provide first aid and basic life support services.

10. Ensure that facility has a full time, but not 24 hours a day, licensed clinical staff to perform assessments, supervision, and medication reconciliation. Clinical staff must consist of a Registered Nurse, Nurse Practitioner or higher degree.
11. Provide 24-hour on call medical support when clinical staff is not on site
12. Maintain written policies and procedures for responding to life threatening emergencies.
13. Comply with all local fire safety standards governing its facility.
14. Maintain a written Code of Resident Conduct or Behavioral Agreement that describes program policies including potential causes for early discharge.
15. Maintain policies and ensure staff trainings related to:
  - a. The handling of alcohol, illegal drugs and unauthorized prescriptions drugs found on site.
  - b. The handling of weapons brought into the facility, including strategies to maximize consumer and staff safety and appropriate staff response to violence.
16. Establish a process to notify COUNTY about possible consumer discharge due to behavior issues prior to discharging.

#### **W. QUALITY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

CONTRACTOR agrees to:

1. Maintain written policy and procedure for safe storage, disposal and handling of biomedical and pharmaceutical waste, including expired or unused medications and needles.
2. Maintain written protocol for managing exposure to bodily fluids and other biohazards.
3. Provide safe storage/handling and security of consumers' medications.
4. Maintain written protocols in-place to promote infection control and the management of communicable diseases (i.e.: scabies, lice etc.). Ensure that facility and equipment are cleaned and disinfected to control illness or infection.

#### **X. TRANSITIONS OF CARE**

CONTRACTOR agrees to:

1. Confirm that facility maintains clear policies and procedures for the screening and management of referrals into the program including the following criteria:
  - a. Written admission criteria
  - b. Review for clinical appropriateness
  - c. Point of contact or phone number for referrals
  - d. Ability to admit 24 hours a day 7 days a week
  - e. Clinical Summary
  - f. Referral decision time and communication back
  - g. HIPAA compliant communication
2. Ensure that the program maintains standards of admitting practices by the following measures:
  - a. Each consumer admitted to program has a designated case manager or provider of record.
  - b. The facility performs medication reconciliation within 12 hours of admission.
  - c. The facility screens for and honors existing advanced directives.

- d. The facility identifies the consumer's current Primary Care Provider (PCP) and notifies COUNTY about the consumer's transition into the program.
3. CONTRACTOR shall work collaboratively with COUNTY's housing team and other Community Supports Providers (as applicable) during the transition. This includes telephonic case management, attending on-site interdisciplinary care team meetings and providing reports/files as needed for oversight.

**EXHIBIT B  
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES  
LAWS, REGULATIONS AND POLICIES**

In addition to the statutes and regulations previously referenced in this AGREEMENT, services shall be provided in accordance with policies and procedures as developed by COUNTY as well as those Federal and State laws, regulations and policies applicable to the terms of this AGREEMENT, which may include, but may not be limited to the following specific statutes or relevant sections therein:

**FEDERAL**

- 42 C.F.R Part 438
- Drug-Free Workplace Act (DFWA) - 1990
- National Voter Registration Act of 1993
- 42 C.F.R. §438.608 (Program Integrity Requirements)
- McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, Public Law 101-645 (Homeless Services)
- Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000
- 45 C.F.R. § 205.50

**STATE**

- Mental Health Services – Welfare and Institutions Code § 5000 to 5914
- Laura's Law – Assembly Bill 1367
- The California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act (CANRA) 2013
- Confidentiality of Medical Information Act – Civil Code §§ 56 et seq.
- Senate Bill 35 (SB35), Chapter 505, Statutes of 2012
- Government Code § 26227 (Contracting with County)
- Government Code § 8546.7 (Audits)
- Penal Code §§ 11164-11174.4 et seq. - (Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting)
- Welfare & Institution Code §§ 14705 and 14725
- Welfare & Institution Code §§ 18350 et seq.
- State Department of Health Care Services Publications
- Welfare and Institutions Code 5610 to 5613 (Client Service Information Reporting)
- Welfare and Institutions Code 17608.05 (Maintenance of Effort)
- Uniform Method of Determining Ability to Pay, State Dept. of Mental Health.
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Manual
- Welfare & Institutions Code §§ 15600 et seq. (Elderly and Dependent Adult Abuse Reporting)
- 2 C.C.R. Division 9, Chapter 1
- DMH Letter 03-04 (Health Care Facility Rates)
- DMH Letter 86-01 (Life Support Supplemental Rate)
- 22 C.C.R. § 70707
- Government Code § 7550 (Reports)
- Welfare and Institutions Code § 14132.47

**COUNTY**

**Behavioral Health Policies**

- Code of Ethics – Policy 108
- Cultural Competence – Policy 162
- Confidentiality Guidelines for Family / Social support Network – Policy 206
- Confidentiality / Privacy Disclosure of Individually Identifiable Information – Policy 239

- Health Privacy & Security – Board of Supervisors Policy B-23
- Alcohol and Drug Abuse Policy, Board of Supervisors Policy C-10
- Harassment in the Workplace - Board of Supervisors Policy C-25
- Protected Health Information – Minimum Necessary for Use and Disclosure – Policy 298
- Workplace Violence, Threats and Security - Board of Supervisors Policy C-27
- Riverside County Mental Health Plan
- Riverside County Mental Health Plan Provider Manual
- Riverside County Mental Health “Psychotropic Medication Protocols for Children and Adolescents” Publication
- Riverside County Mental Health “Medication Guidelines” Publication
- County and Departmental policies, as applicable to this Agreement
- All RUHS-BH Letters and Bulletins as applicable to this Agreement

**EXHIBIT C  
REIMBURSEMENT & PAYMENT**

**CONTRACTOR NAME:** MFI Recovery Center  
**PROGRAM NAME:** Housing – Desert Sage  
**DEPARTMENT ID:** 4100217397-74700-530280

**A. MAXIMUM OBLIGATION:**

COUNTY'S maximum obligation for FY 2025/2026 shall be \$1,742,187 subject to availability of applicable Federal, State, local and/or COUNTY funds.

**B. SCHEDULES**

Schedules present (for planning purposes only) budgetary and rate details pursuant to this Agreement. Schedule I contains department identification number (Dept. ID), Program Code, billable and non-billable mode(s) and service function(s), units, expected revenues, and maximum obligation. Schedule K contains line-item budget by expenditure category. Schedule P contains rates by practitioner type. Pursuant to this Agreement, the following is incorporated, as indicated by an "X" below:

- Schedule I
- Schedule K
- Schedule P

**C. REIMBURSEMENT:**

In consideration of services provided by CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall receive monthly reimbursement based upon the reimbursement type as indicated by an "X" below, and not to exceed the maximum obligation of the COUNTY for the fiscal year as specified herein:

- The Negotiated Rate, as approved by the COUNTY, per unit as specified in the Schedule I or P, multiplied by the actual number of units of service provided, less revenue collected.
- One-twelfth (1/12<sup>th</sup>), on a monthly basis of the overall maximum obligation of the COUNTY as specified herein.
- Actual Cost, as invoiced by expenditure category specified in Schedule K.

**D. LOCAL MATCH REQUIREMENTS:**

- If box is checked, CONTRACTOR is required to make quarterly estimated EPSDT local match payments to COUNTY based on 5% of the amount invoiced. Local match requirement is subject to annual settlement.

**E. RECONCILIATION:**

The final year-end reconciliation shall be based upon the final year-end reconciliation type or types as indicated by an "X" below. Allowable costs for this Agreement include administrative costs, indirect and operating income as specified in the original Agreement proposal or subsequent negotiations received, made, and/or approved by the COUNTY, and not to exceed 15%. The combined final year-end reconciliation for all services shall

not exceed the maximum obligation of the COUNTY as specified herein, and the applicable maximum reimbursement rates promulgated each year by the COUNTY. Refer to Section J. MUTUAL COST RECONCILIATION, for year-end cost reconciliation options.

- The final year-end reconciliation for services shall be based upon the Negotiated Rate, as approved by the COUNTY, multiplied by the actual number of approved units of service provided, less revenue collected for the provision of services.
- The final year-end reconciliation for Medi-Cal services (only) shall be based upon the Negotiated Rate, as approved by the COUNTY, multiplied by the actual number of Medi-Cal units of service provided and approved by the State, less revenue collected for the provision of services. Refer to Section K. PAYMENT RECONCILIATION, for payment reconciliation requirements.
- The final year-end reconciliation for ancillary, start-up, expenditure and or flexible spending categories shall be based on actual allowable cost, less revenue collected, as specified in the Schedule I and/or Schedule K. Refer to Section K. PAYMENT RECONCILIATION, for payment reconciliation requirements.
- The final year-end and local match reconciliation for EPSDT Local Match contract(s) shall be based on the COUNTY final State EPSDT settlement.

**F. REVENUES:**

As applicable:

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 4025, 5717 and 14705 of the Welfare & Institutions Code, and as further contained in the State Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Revenue Manual, Section 1, CONTRACTOR shall collect revenues for the provision of the services described pursuant to Exhibit A. Such revenues may include but are not limited to fees for services, private contributions, grants or other funds. All revenues received by CONTRACTOR shall be reported in their annual cost reconciliation and shall be used to offset gross cost.
2. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for checking and confirming Medi-Cal eligibility for its patient(s)/client(s) prior to providing and billing for services in order to ensure proper billing of Medi-Cal. Patient/client eligibility for reimbursement from Medi-Cal, Private Insurance, Medicare, or other third party benefits shall be determined by the CONTRACTOR at all times for billing or service purposes. CONTRACTOR shall pursue payment from all potential sources in sequential order, with Medi-Cal as payor of last resort.
3. CONTRACTOR shall notify COUNTY of patient/client private insurance, Medicare, or other third-party benefits.
4. CONTRACTOR is to attempt to collect first from Medicare (if site is Medicare certified and if CONTRACTOR staff is enrolled in Medicare program), then insurance and then first party. In addition, CONTRACTOR is responsible for adhering to and complying with all applicable Federal, State and local Medi-Cal

and Medicare laws and regulations as it relates to providing services to Medi-Cal and Medicare beneficiaries.

5. If a client has both Medicare or Insurance and Medi-Cal coverage, a copy of the Medicare or Insurance Explanation of Benefits (EOB) must be provided to the COUNTY within thirty (30) days of receipt of the EOB date.
6. CONTRACTOR is obligated to collect from the client any Medicare co-insurance and/or deductible if the site is Medicare certified or if provider site is in the process of becoming Medicare certified or if the provider is enrolled in Medicare. CONTRACTOR is required to clear any Medi-Cal Share of Cost amount(s) with the State. CONTRACTOR is obligated to attempt to collect the cleared Share of Cost amount(s) from the client. CONTRACTOR must notify the COUNTY in writing of cleared Medi-Cal Share of Cost(s) within seventy-two (72) hours (excluding holidays) of the CONTRACTOR'S received notification from the State. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for faxing the cleared Medi-Cal Share of Cost documentation to fax number (951) 955-7361 **OR** to your organization's appropriate COUNTY Region or Program contact. Patients/clients with share of cost Medi-Cal shall be charged their monthly Medi-Cal share of cost in lieu of their annual liability. Medicare clients will be responsible for any co-insurance and/or deductible for services rendered at Medicare certified sites.
7. All other clients will be subject to an annual sliding fee schedule by CONTRACTOR for services rendered, based on the patient's/client's ability to pay, not to exceed the CONTRACTOR'S actual charges for the services provided. In accordance with the State Department of Health Care Services Revenue Manual, CONTRACTOR shall not be penalized for non-collection of revenues provided that reasonable and diligent attempts are made by the CONTRACTOR to collect these revenues. Past due patient/client accounts may not be referred to private collection agencies. No patient/client shall be denied services due to inability to pay.
8. If and where applicable, CONTRACTOR shall submit to COUNTY, with signed Agreement, a copy of CONTRACTOR'S customary charges (published rates).
9. If CONTRACTOR charges the client any additional fees (i.e. Co-Pays) above and beyond the contracted Schedule I rate, the CONTRACTOR must notify the COUNTY within each fiscal year Agreement period of performance.
10. CONTRACTOR must notify the COUNTY if CONTRACTOR raises client fees. Notification must be made within ten (10) days following any fee increase.

**G. REALLOCATION OF FUNDS:**

1. No funds allocated for any mode and service function as designated in Schedule I may be reallocated to another mode and service function unless prior written consent and approval is received from COUNTY Program Administrator/Manager and confirmed by the Fiscal Supervisor prior to either the end of the Agreement Period of Performance or the end of the fiscal year (June 30<sup>th</sup>). Approval shall not exceed the maximum obligation.
2. In addition, CONTRACTOR may not, under any circumstances and without prior

written consent and approval being received from COUNTY Program Administrator/Manager and confirmed by the Fiscal Supervisor, reallocate funds between mode and service functions as designated in the Schedule I that are defined as non-billable by the COUNTY, State or Federal governments from or to mode and service functions that are defined as billable by the COUNTY, State or Federal governments.

3. If this Agreement includes more than one Exhibit C and/or more than one Schedule I, shifting of funds between Exhibits/Schedules is prohibited without prior written consent and approval being received from COUNTY Program Administrator/Manager and confirmed by the Fiscal Supervisor prior to the end of either the Agreement Period of Performance or fiscal year.
4. No funds allocated for any expenditure category as designated in Schedule K may be reallocated to another expenditure category unless prior written consent and approval is received from COUNTY Program Administrator/Manager and confirmed by the Fiscal Supervisor prior to either the end of the Agreement Period of Performance or the end of the fiscal year (June 30<sup>th</sup>). Approval shall not exceed the maximum obligation.

**H. RECOGNITION OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT:**

If, when and/or where applicable, CONTRACTOR'S stationery/letterhead shall indicate that funding for the program is provided in whole or in part by Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health.

**I. PAYMENT:**

1. Monthly reimbursements may be withheld and recouped at the discretion of the DIRECTOR or its designee due to material Agreement non-compliance, including overpayments as well as adjustments or disallowances resulting from the COUNTY Contract Monitoring Team Review (CMT), COUNTY Program Monitoring, Federal or State Audit, and/or the cost reconciliation process.
2. In addition, if the COUNTY determines that there is any portion (or all) of the CONTRACTOR invoice(s) that cannot be substantiated, verified or proven to be valid in any way for any fiscal year, then the COUNTY reserves the right to disallow payments to CONTRACTOR until proof of any items billed for is received, verified and approved by the COUNTY.
3. In addition to the annual CMT, Program Monitoring, and cost reconciliation processes, the COUNTY reserves the right to perform impromptu CMTs without prior notice throughout the fiscal year in order to minimize and prevent COUNTY and CONTRACTOR loss and inaccurate billing/reports. The COUNTY, at its discretion, may withhold and/or offset invoices and/or monthly reimbursements to CONTRACTOR, at any time without prior notification to CONTRACTOR, for service deletes and denials that may occur in association with this Agreement. COUNTY shall notify CONTRACTOR of any such instances of services deletes and denials and subsequent withholds and/or reductions to CONTRACTOR invoices or monthly reimbursements.
4. In addition, CONTRACTOR'S failure to comply with Network Adequacy reporting

requirements, as outlined in Section XXVI. PROVIDER ADEQUACY of the Agreement may result in payment hold.

5. Notwithstanding the provisions stated above, CONTRACTOR shall be paid in arrears based upon either the actual units of service provided and entered into the COUNTY'S specified Electronic Management Information System (MIS), or on a one-twelfth (1/12<sup>th</sup>) monthly basis, or based upon the actual cost invoice by expenditure category.
  - a. CONTRACTOR will be responsible for entering all service-related data into the COUNTY's MIS (i.e. ELMR, CalOMS) on a monthly basis and approving their services in the MIS for electronic batching (invoicing) and subsequent payment.
  - b. CONTRACTOR is required to enter all units of service into COUNTY'S MIS no later than 5:00 p.m. on the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) calendar day following the date of service. Late entry of services into COUNTY'S MIS may result in financial and/or service denials and/or disallowances to the CONTRACTOR.
  - c. CONTRACTOR must also submit to the COUNTY a signed Program Integrity Form (PIF) (**attached as Exhibit C, Attachment A**) signed by the Director or authorized designee of the CONTRACTOR organization. This form must be faxed and/or emailed (PDF format only) to the COUNTY at (951)358-6868, and/or emailed to **ELMR\_PIF@ruhealth.org**. CONTRACTOR PIF form and invoice must be received by the COUNTY via fax and/or email for the prior month no later than 5:00 p.m. on the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) calendar day of the current month.
  - d. Services entered into the MIS more than 60 calendar days after the date of service without prior approval by the COUNTY may result in financial and/or service denials and/or disallowances to the CONTRACTOR.
  - e. In addition to entering all service-related data into the COUNTY'S MIS submission and the submission of a signed PIF and invoice, contracts reimbursed based on a Schedule K are required to submit a monthly invoice for the actual cost of services provided, per expenditure category, as identified on Schedule K.
  - f. Failure to enter and approve all applicable services into the MIS, for the applicable month, faxing and/or e-mailing the signed PIF and invoice, and when applicable, faxing and/or e-mailing the actual cost invoice, will delay payment to the CONTRACTOR until the required documents as outlined herein are provided.
6. CONTRACTOR shall generate a monthly invoice for payment through the MIS batching process.
7. CONTRACTOR shall provide COUNTY with all information necessary for preparation and submittal to the State, if applicable, for all billings, and audit of all billings.
8. To ensure CONTRACTOR will receive reimbursement for services rendered under this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for notifying Medi-Cal if at any time CONTRACTOR discovers or is made aware that client Medicare and/or insurance coverage has been terminated or otherwise not in effect.

CONTRACTOR shall provide COUNTY with a print screen from the Medi-Cal eligibility website indicating Medicare and/or insurance coverage has been removed within ten (10) days of termination request. CONTRACTOR shall include their name and comment "Medicare/OHC Termed" on documentation provided to the COUNTY.

9. Unless otherwise notified by the COUNTY, CONTRACTOR invoicing will be paid by the COUNTY thirty (30) calendar days after the date a correct PIF and invoice is received by the COUNTY.
10. Pursuant to Section III. REIMBURSEMENT AND USE OF FUNDS and Section XXV. PROHIBITED AFFILIATIONS of the Agreement, CONTRACTOR acknowledges any payment received for an excluded person may be subject to recovery and/or considered an overpayment by COUNTY and DHCS and/or be the basis for other sanctions by DHCS.

**J. MUTUAL COST RECONCILIATION:**

DHCS Behavioral Health Information Notice (BH-IN) 23-023, dated June 1, 2023, outlines expectations for counties to develop and implement local policies and procedures that reduce administrative burden, reduce complexity, and increase flexibility for their network providers, consistent with the CalAIM goals. As such, the State no longer requires a cost report to be completed. However, if the financial arrangement advances the goals of CalAIM, MHPs and DMC/DMC-ODS counties may reconcile payments to a CONTRACTOR with actual costs, and/or collect cost information from a CONTRACTOR for services rendered after Behavioral Health Payment Reform is implemented, if mutually agreed to by the County and the network provider.

1. CONTRACTOR and COUNTY may mutually agree to review cost information for the purpose of rate adjustment(s), notwithstanding the other requirements outlined herein. Rate adjustments are subject to COUNTY review and approval as well as COUNTY maximum rate limits and availability of funds.
  - a. CONTRACTOR must notify the COUNTY in writing, no later than March 30<sup>th</sup> before the close of the fiscal year (June 30<sup>th</sup>). Formal notification should include written justification and detailed financial analysis. The request must be addressed to the RUHS-BH Director and sent to the Cost Report and Contracts Administration Unit email inboxes. (CostReport@ruhealth.org; BHContracts@ruhealth.org)
  - b. Upon receipt of notification, COUNTY will have 45 days to review and notify CONTRACTOR if rate adjustment review request is approved or denied. If approved, CONTRACTOR shall complete the following steps.
    - i. CONTRACTOR should provide all applicable supporting financial information, as determined appropriate by the COUNTY. Cost reconciliation documents shall detail the actual cost of services provided.
    - ii. CONTRACTOR shall follow all applicable Federal, State and local regulations and guidelines to formulate proper cost reconciliation documents, including but not limited to OMB-circular A-122 and OMB-circular A-87.
    - iii. If denied, CONTRACTOR may resubmit justification for further review.

**K. PAYMENT RECONCILIATION:**

If required per Section E., for each fiscal year, or portion thereof, that this Agreement is in effect, CONTRACTOR shall review COUNTY provided reconciliation documentation and provide any additional supporting documentation as appropriate to reconcile to payment within Forty-five (45) calendar days of receipt from COUNTY.

1. CONTRACTOR shall follow all applicable Federal, State and local regulations and guidelines to formulate proper cost reconciliation documents, including but not limited to OMB-circular A-122 and OMB-circular A-87.
2. All CONTRACTORS must send one representative to the COUNTY'S annual payment reconciliation training that covers the preparation of the year-end payment reconciliation documents. The COUNTY will notify CONTRACTOR of the date(s) and time(s) of the training. Annual attendance at the training is mandatory in order to ensure that payment reconciliation documents are completed appropriately. Failure to attend this training will result in delay of any reimbursements to the CONTRACTOR.
3. CONTRACTOR will be notified in writing by COUNTY if the payment reconciliation documents have not been received within the specified length of time. Future monthly reimbursements will be withheld if the cost reconciliation documents contain errors that are not corrected within ten (10) calendar days of written or verbal notification from the COUNTY. Failure to meet any pre-approved deadlines or extensions will immediately result in the withholding of future monthly reimbursements.
4. The payment reconciliation shall serve as the basis for year-end settlement to CONTRACTOR including a reconciliation and adjustment of all payments made to CONTRACTOR and all revenue received by CONTRACTOR. Any payments made in excess of the payment reconciliation shall be repaid upon demand or will be deducted from the next payment to CONTRACTOR.
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**EXHIBIT C  
REIMBURSEMENT & PAYMENT**

**CONTRACTOR NAME:** MFI Recovery Center  
**PROGRAM NAME:** Desert Sage Adult Residential Facility – Housing  
**DEPARTMENT ID:** 4100217397-74700-530280

**A. MAXIMUM OBLIGATION:**

COUNTY'S maximum obligation for FY 2025/2026 shall be \$1,742,187 subject to availability of applicable Federal, State, local and/or COUNTY funds.

**B. SCHEDULES**

Schedules present (for planning purposes only) budgetary and rate details pursuant to this Agreement. Schedule I contains department identification number (Dept. ID), Program Code, billable and non-billable mode(s) and service function(s), units, expected revenues, and maximum obligation. Schedule K contains line-item budget by expenditure category. Schedule P contains rates by practitioner type. Pursuant to this Agreement, the following is incorporated, as indicated by an "X" below:

- Schedule I
- Schedule K
- Schedule P

**C. REIMBURSEMENT:**

In consideration of services provided by CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall receive monthly reimbursement based upon the reimbursement type as indicated by an "X" below, and not to exceed the maximum obligation of the COUNTY for the fiscal year as specified herein:

- The Negotiated Rate, as approved by the COUNTY, per unit as specified in the Schedule I or P, multiplied by the actual number of units of service provided, less revenue collected.
- One-twelfth (1/12<sup>th</sup>), on a monthly basis of the overall maximum obligation of the COUNTY as specified herein.
- Actual Cost, as invoiced by expenditure category specified in Schedule K.

**D. LOCAL MATCH REQUIREMENTS:**

- If box is checked, CONTRACTOR is required to make quarterly estimated EPSDT local match payments to COUNTY based on 5% of the amount invoiced. Local match requirement is subject to annual settlement.

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The final year-end reconciliation shall be based upon the final year-end reconciliation type or types as indicated by an "X" below. Allowable costs for this Agreement include administrative costs, indirect and operating income as specified in the original Agreement proposal or subsequent negotiations received, made, and/or approved by the COUNTY, and not to exceed 15%. The combined final year-end reconciliation for all services shall

not exceed the maximum obligation of the COUNTY as specified herein, and the applicable maximum reimbursement rates promulgated each year by the COUNTY.

- The final year-end reconciliation for services shall be based upon the Negotiated Rate, as approved by the COUNTY, multiplied by the actual number of approved units of service provided, less revenue collected for the provision of services.
- The final year-end reconciliation for Medi-Cal services (only) shall be based upon the Negotiated Rate, as approved by the COUNTY, multiplied by the actual number of Medi-Cal units of service provided and approved by the State, less revenue collected for the provision of services. Refer to Section J. MUTUAL COST RECONCILIATION, for year-end cost reconciliation options.
- The final year-end reconciliation for ancillary, start-up, expenditure and or flexible spending categories shall be based on actual allowable cost, less revenue collected, as specified in the Schedule I and/or Schedule K. Refer to Section K. COST RECONCILIATION, for year-end cost reconciliation requirements.
- The final year-end and local match reconciliation for EPSDT Local Match contract(s) shall be based on the COUNTY final State EPSDT settlement.

**F. REVENUES:**

As applicable:

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 4025, 5717 and 14705 of the Welfare & Institutions Code, and as further contained in the State Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Revenue Manual, Section 1, CONTRACTOR shall collect revenues for the provision of the services described pursuant to Exhibit A. Such revenues may include, but are not limited to, fees for services, private contributions, grants or other funds. All revenues received by CONTRACTOR shall be reported in their annual cost reconciliation and shall be used to offset gross costs.
2. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for checking and confirming Medi-Cal eligibility for its patient(s)/client(s) prior to providing and billing for services in order to ensure proper billing of Medi-Cal. Patient/client eligibility for reimbursement from Medi-Cal, Private Insurance, Medicare, or other third party benefits shall be determined by the CONTRACTOR at all times for billing or service purposes. CONTRACTOR shall pursue payment from all potential sources in sequential order, with Medi-Cal as payor of last resort.
3. CONTRACTOR shall notify COUNTY of patient/client private insurance, Medicare, or other third-party benefits.
4. CONTRACTOR is to attempt to collect first from Medicare (if site is Medicare certified and if CONTRACTOR staff is enrolled in Medicare program), then insurance and then first party. In addition, CONTRACTOR is responsible for adhering to and complying with all applicable Federal, State and local Medi-Cal

and Medicare laws and regulations as it relates to providing services to Medi-Cal and Medicare beneficiaries.

5. If a client has both Medicare or Insurance and Medi-Cal coverage, a copy of the Medicare or Insurance Explanation of Benefits (EOB) must be provided to the COUNTY within thirty (30) days of receipt of the EOB date.
6. CONTRACTOR is obligated to collect from the client any Medicare co-insurance and/or deductible if the site is Medicare certified or if provider site is in the process of becoming Medicare certified or if the provider is enrolled in Medicare. CONTRACTOR is required to clear any Medi-Cal Share of Cost amount(s) with the State. CONTRACTOR is obligated to attempt to collect the cleared Share of Cost amount(s) from the client. CONTRACTOR must notify the COUNTY in writing of cleared Medi-Cal Share of Cost(s) within seventy-two (72) hours (excluding holidays) of the CONTRACTOR'S received notification from the State. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for faxing the cleared Medi-Cal Share of Cost documentation to fax number (951) 955-7361 **OR** to your organization's appropriate COUNTY Region or Program contact. Patients/clients with share of cost Medi-Cal shall be charged their monthly Medi-Cal share of cost in lieu of their annual liability. Medicare clients will be responsible for any co-insurance and/or deductible for services rendered at Medicare certified sites.
7. All other clients will be subject to an annual sliding fee schedule by CONTRACTOR for services rendered, based on the patient's/client's ability to pay, not to exceed the CONTRACTOR'S actual charges for the services provided. In accordance with the State Department of Health Care Services Revenue Manual, CONTRACTOR shall not be penalized for non-collection of revenues provided that reasonable and diligent attempts are made by the CONTRACTOR to collect these revenues. Past due patient/client accounts may not be referred to private collection agencies. No patient/client shall be denied services due to inability to pay.
8. If and where applicable, CONTRACTOR shall submit to COUNTY, with signed Agreement, a copy of CONTRACTOR'S customary charges (published rates).
9. If CONTRACTOR charges the client any additional fees (i.e. Co-Pays) above and beyond the contracted Schedule I rate, the CONTRACTOR must notify the COUNTY within each fiscal year Agreement period of performance.
10. CONTRACTOR must notify the COUNTY if CONTRACTOR raises client fees. Notification must be made within ten (10) days following any fee increase.

**G. REALLOCATION OF FUNDS:**

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2. In addition, CONTRACTOR may not, under any circumstances and without prior written consent and approval being received from COUNTY Program

Administrator/Manager and confirmed by the Fiscal Supervisor, reallocate funds between mode and service functions as designated in the Schedule I that are defined as non-billable by the COUNTY, State or Federal governments from or to mode and service functions that are defined as billable by the COUNTY, State or Federal governments.

3. If this Agreement includes more than one Exhibit C and/or more than one Schedule I, shifting of funds between Exhibits/Schedules is prohibited without prior written consent and approval being received from COUNTY Program Administrator/Manager and confirmed by the Fiscal Supervisor prior to the end of either the Agreement Period of Performance or fiscal year.
4. No funds allocated for any expenditure category as designated in Schedule K may be reallocated to another expenditure category unless prior written consent and approval is received from COUNTY Program Administrator/Manager and confirmed by the Fiscal Supervisor prior to either the end of the Agreement Period of Performance or the end of the fiscal year (June 30<sup>th</sup>). Approval shall not exceed the maximum obligation.

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If, when and/or where applicable, CONTRACTOR'S stationery/letterhead shall indicate that funding for the program is provided in whole or in part by Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health.

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1. Monthly reimbursements may be withheld and recouped at the discretion of the DIRECTOR or its designee due to material Agreement non-compliance, including overpayments as well as adjustments or disallowances resulting from the COUNTY Contract Monitoring Team Review (CMT), COUNTY Program Monitoring, Federal or State Audit, and/or the cost reconciliation process.
2. In addition, if the COUNTY determines that there is any portion (or all) of the CONTRACTOR invoice(s) that cannot be substantiated, verified or proven to be valid in any way for any fiscal year, then the COUNTY reserves the right to disallow payments to CONTRACTOR until proof of any items billed for is received, verified and approved by the COUNTY.
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5. Notwithstanding the provisions stated above, CONTRACTOR shall be paid in arrears based upon either the actual units of service provided and entered into the COUNTY'S specified Electronic Management Information System (MIS), or on a one-twelfth (1/12<sup>th</sup>) monthly basis, or based upon the actual cost invoice by expenditure category.
  - a. CONTRACTOR will be responsible for entering all service-related data into the COUNTY's MIS (i.e. ELMR or CalOMS) on a monthly basis and approving their services in the MIS for electronic batching (invoicing) and subsequent payment.
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**RIVERSIDE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM - BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
SCHEDULE I**

<b>CONTRACT PROVIDER NAME:</b>	<b>MFI Recovery Center</b>	ELMR Provider Number	<b>FISCAL YEAR</b>
<b>REGION:</b>	Desert Sage		
<b>ASSIGNED DEPT. ID(S)</b>	4100217397-75560-530280		<b>2025/2026</b>
<b>NEGOTIATED RATE NON MEDI-CAL</b>			
<b>SYSTEM RU#</b>	<b>33R2CS</b>	<b>TOTAL CONTRACT MAXIMUM</b>	
<b>MODALITY</b>	CalAIM Community Supports		
<b>ELMR SERVICE CODE</b>	990CSRC		
<b>MODE OF SERVICE</b>	5		
<b>UNIT MEASUREMENT</b>			
<b>UNIT RATE</b>	<b>\$93.30</b>		
<b>UNITS</b>	18673		
<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>\$1,742,187</b>		
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ 1,742,187</b>

<b>NPI</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	<b>TAXONOMY</b>
1902573595	82485 Miles Ave Indio, CA, 922014249	320800000X - Community Based Residential Treatment Facility, Mental Illness

**SCHEDULE K BUDGET WORKSHEET  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**

CONTRACT PROVIDER NAME: MFI Recovery Center Desert Sage	FISCAL YEAR: 2025-2026
PROGRAM NAME: Housing	PERFORMANCE PERIOD: July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026
REGION/POPULATION: Desert	MONTHLY REIMBURSEMENT: NEGOTIATED RATE
CONTRACT MAXIMUM OBLIGATION: \$1,742,187	YEAR END SETTLEMENT: ACTUAL COST

TYPE OF MODALITY:	BOARD & CARE	CaAIM Community Supports Recuperative Care	CaAIM Community Supports Short-term Post Hospitalization	COMBINED PROGRAM TOTAL
MODE OF SERVICE:	60	5	5	
SERVICE FUNCTION:	40	65	65	
PROCEDURE CODES:	190	990CSRC	990CSSPH	
<b>1. Personnel Expenditures</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>TOTAL CONTRACT</b>
a. Salaries & Wages <i>(per staffing detail worksheet)</i>	\$ 725,496	\$ 74,100	\$ 260,468	\$ 1,060,064
b. Employee Benefits	\$ 217,649	\$ 22,230	\$ 78,140	\$ 318,019
<b>Total Personnel Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 943,144</b>	<b>\$ 96,330</b>	<b>\$ 338,608</b>	<b>\$ 1,378,082</b>
<b>2. Operating Expenditures</b>				
a. Professional Services	\$ 1,843	\$ 123	\$ 492	\$ 2,458
b. Household Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
c. Travel & Transportation	\$ 11,930	\$ 795	\$ 2,405	\$ 15,130
d. General Office Expenditures	\$ 5,475	\$ 365	\$ 1,347	\$ 7,187
e. Program Supplies	\$ 6,911	\$ 461	\$ 1,871	\$ 9,243
f. Food	\$ 167,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 167,000
g. Insurance	\$ 12,818	\$ 855	\$ 3,415	\$ 17,087
h. Telephone	\$ 4,064	\$ 271	\$ 1,084	\$ 5,419
i. Facility Lease*	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
j. Utilities*	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
k. Other Operating Expenses	\$ 19,955	\$ 1,330	\$ 5,321	\$ 26,607
<b>Total Operating Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 229,995</b>	<b>\$ 4,200</b>	<b>\$ 15,935</b>	<b>\$ 250,130</b>
<b>Total Direct Program Cost</b>	<b>\$ 1,173,139</b>	<b>\$ 100,530</b>	<b>\$ 354,543</b>	<b>\$ 1,628,212</b>
<b>3. Indirect Administrative Expenses</b>				
a. Administrative Cost (Reports & Claims/ Fee)	\$ 82,120	\$ 7,037	\$ 24,818	
<b>Total Indirect Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 82,120</b>	<b>\$ 7,037</b>	<b>\$ 24,818</b>	<b>\$ 113,975</b>
<b>Total Direct &amp; Indirect Program Cost</b>	<b>\$ 1,255,259</b>	<b>\$ 107,567</b>	<b>\$ 379,361</b>	<b>\$ 1,742,187</b>
a. <i>Personnel Start Up (S&amp;B) Expenditures</i>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
b. <i>Operating Start Up Expenditures</i>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Start Up Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Total Program Budget</b>	<b>\$ 1,255,259</b>	<b>\$ 107,567</b>	<b>\$ 379,361</b>	<b>\$ 1,742,187</b>
Total Indirect Administrative Expenses % (Shall Not Exceed 15%)	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%

Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health Contracted Provider

Attachment A  
CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

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 making, awarding or entering into of this Federal contract, Federal grant, or cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of this Federal contract, grant, 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 of the United States Government, 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, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "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 subcontractors, subgrants, and contracts under grants and cooperative agreements) of \$100,000 or more, 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.C., 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.

MFI Recovery Center

Provider Name (Print)

Signature

Jossye Cook, Acting CEO  
Print Name/Title

6-5-25  
Date

**Attachment B**  
**DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES**  
 Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352

<b>1. Type of Federal Action:</b> ____ a. contract b. grant c. cooperative agreement d. loan e. loan guarantee f. loan insurance	<b>2. Status of Federal Action:</b> ____ a. bid/offer/ application b. initial award c. post-award	<b>3. Report Type:</b> ____ a. initial filing b. material change  <b>For Material Change Only:</b> Year ____ Quarter ____ Date of Last Report ____
<b>4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity:</b> Prime  Subawardee  Tier, if known:  Congressional District, if known:	<b>5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime:</b>   Congressional District, if known:	
<b>6. Federal Department/Agency:</b>	<b>7. Federal Program Name/Description:</b>  CFDA Number, if applicable: _____	
<b>8. Federal Action Number, if known:</b>	<b>9. Award Amount, if known:</b> \$ _____	
<b>10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Entity:</b> (last name, first name, MI)  <b>10. b. Individuals Performing Services</b> (including address if different from No. 10,a.)  (Attach Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A If Necessary) (if individual, last name, first name, middle)		
<b>11. Amount of Payment</b> (check all that apply): \$ _____ Actual      \$ _____ Planned	<b>13. Type of payment</b> (check all that apply): ___ a. retainer ___ b. one-time fee ___ c. commission ___ d. contingent fee ___ e. deferred ___ f. other; specify:	
<b>12. Form of Payment</b> (check all that apply): ___ a. cash ___ b. in-kind; specify: Nature _____ Actual _____		
<b>14. Brief Description of Services Performed or to be Performed and Date(s) of Service, including officer(s), employee(s), or member(s) contracted for Payment indicated in Item 11:</b>  (Attach Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A, if necessary)		
<b>15. Are Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A Attached:</b> Yes ____ (Number ____ )      No ____		
<b>16. Information requested through this form is authorized by Title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be reported to the Congress semi-annually and will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.</b>		
		<b>Signature:</b> _____ <b>Print Name:</b> _____ <b>Title:</b> _____ <b>Telephone:</b> _____ <b>Date:</b> _____

CONTINUATION SHEET SF-LLL-A

Reporting Entity: \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. Section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity 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 a covered Federal action. Use of SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet for additional information if the space on the form is inadequate. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a follow-up report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee; e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee", then enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) Number, Invitation for Bid (IFB) Number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes; e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the lobbying entity engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.
11. (b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
12. Enter the amount of compensation paid or reasonably expected to be paid by the reporting entity (item 4) to the lobbying entity (item 10). Indicate whether the payment has been made (actual) or will be made (planned). Check all that apply. If this is a material change report, enter the cumulative amount of payment made or planned to be made.
13. Check all that apply. If payment is made through an in-kind contribution, specify the nature and value of the in-kind payment.
14. Check all that apply. If other, specify nature.
15. Provide a specific and detailed description of the services that the lobbyist has performed, or will be expected to perform, and the date(s) of any services rendered. Include all preparatory and related activity, not just time spent in actual contact with Federal officials. Identify the Federal official(s) or employee(s) contacted or the officer(s), employee(s), or Member(s) of Congress that were contacted.
15. Check whether or not a SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet(s) is attached. List number of sheets if yes.
16. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-00046), Washington, DC 20503.

RIVERSIDE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM – BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
**Policy 248 - ADVERSE INCIDENT REPORT**  
(CONFIDENTIAL – Attorney Client Privileged Information)

**SECTION A – TO BE COMPLETED BY PARTY SUBMITTING REPORT**

Program/Clinic Name	RU #	Name of Reporting Staff
Client/Person (Last Name, First Name)	DOB	RUHS – BH Client ID

If the incident involved a person other than the client such as an employee or visitor, provide the person's name and contact number in Section D.

The above named client/person was involved in an act/action which  meets  may meet (check one) the requirements of the formation of the Adverse Incident Committee. The incident falls into the following reportable incident category(ies).

- All client deaths for any cause
- Incident involving significant dangerousness to self, including serious suicide attempts or self-injury
- Incident involving significant dangerousness to others, including serious assaults, homicide attempts and homicides
- Incident involving significant injury that required medical intervention for any client or visitor at a program site or during a treatment activity off-site.

Specific location where the incident occurred:

Date/Time of Incident:

Date/Time first reported to RUHS-BH:

RUHS-BH staff first reported to:

Submit this form to [BH-IncidentRPT@ruhealth.org](mailto:BH-IncidentRPT@ruhealth.org):

**Brief summary of incident:**

Family/Legal Guardian - Aware of Incident:  Yes  No

Family Attitude/Response:

**DO NOT FILE THIS FORM IN THE CLIENT'S CLINICAL RECORD**

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**SECTION A – TO BE COMPLETED BY PARTY SUBMITTING REPORT (Continued)**

THE EVENTS WHICH OCCURED ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Empty box for reporting events.

**SUBMIT REPORT TO SUPERVISOR WITHIN ONE BUSINESS DAY OF INCIDENT**

Report submitted to:

Submission completed:    Date:

Time:

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**SECTION B – TO BE COMPLETED BY PROGRAM SUPERVISOR**

Client/Person (Last Name, First Name)	RUHS – BH Client ID
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**Diagnosis**

1.	DSM-5 Diagnosis:		<input type="checkbox"/> Primary
			<input type="checkbox"/> Secondary
2.	DSM-5 Diagnosis:		<input type="checkbox"/> Primary
			<input type="checkbox"/> Secondary
3.	DSM-5 Diagnosis:		<input type="checkbox"/> Primary
			<input type="checkbox"/> Secondary

**Medications:**       On medication(s) (list below)       No Medication(s)       Unknown

	Medication	Dose	Indication		Medication	Dose	Indication
1.				5.			
2.				6.			
3.				7.			
4.				8.			

Suspected or Known Substance Use Disorder(s):       Yes       No

If yes, describe:

Treating Psychiatrist:       Program MD  
 Private MD

Supervisor's Comments/Concerns/Issues Identified:

Supervisor's action(s) taken:

- Workplace Violence, Threats and Security Document # 2010 applies and report submitted as required by Safety Office Policy.
- Urgent RUHS – BH Administration notification recommended. *Refer to Policy 248.* If yes, requires IMMEDIATE filing of report to Regional Manager/Administrator.

**Regional Manager/Administrator Must Be Notified ASAP or within three (3) business days.**

Manager/Administrator Notified:	Date/Time Notified:
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**RIVERSIDE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM – BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**  
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**SECTION C – ADMINISTRATOR/ADVERSE INCIDENT COMMITTEE  
REVIEW, SUMMARY, AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Client/Person (Last Name, First Name)	RUHS – BH Client ID
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Reviewer(s) concur with supervisor whether Workplace Violence Report provision applies:  
 Yes    No

If No, action taken by reviewer(s):

Sheriff Investigation Report Needed?    Yes    No

If Yes, Date Requested:

Name of Person who requested report:

Coroner Autopsy Report Needed?    Yes    No

If Yes, Date Requested:

Name of Person who requested report:

**Incident Reviewed By (Name and Job Classification)**

1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	

Date of Review:	Period of Treatment Reviewed:
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**Policy, Procedure, Program Issues Identified**

<input type="checkbox"/> Coordination of Care with PCP	<input type="checkbox"/> Coordination of Care with another service or provider
<input type="checkbox"/> Identification of a Substance Use Disorder	<input type="checkbox"/> Referral to Substance Use or Co-Occurring Disorder Treatment
<input type="checkbox"/> Risk Assessment	<input type="checkbox"/> Follow-up after missed appointment or "No-Show"
<input type="checkbox"/> Monitoring of psychotropic medications	<input type="checkbox"/> Psychotropic Medication Poly-pharmacy
<input type="checkbox"/> Prescribing controlled substance to a known substance abuser	<input type="checkbox"/> Other medication-related issue
<input type="checkbox"/> Delay in getting appt. within reasonable time	<input type="checkbox"/> Case closed without adequate efforts to contact or engage/re-engage client

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<input type="checkbox"/> Client lost to follow-up/unable to locate	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Issue(s)
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**SECTION C – ADMINISTRATOR/ADVERSE INCIDENT COMMITTEE  
REVIEW, SUMMARY, AND RECOMMENDATIONS (Continued)**

**Review Summary/Comments/Findings**

**Licensing Issues Identified**

Does this incident involve a possible professional staff license/certification violation?    Yes    No

Does this incident involve a possible facility licensing violation?    Yes    No

If yes, briefly describe violation:

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If Yes, has licensing agency been notified?    Yes    No

Has copy of incident report from licensee to licensing agency been obtained?    Yes    No  
(If Yes, attach copy of report)

**Review Recommendations and Corrective Action Plan(s)**

Recommendation(s)/Plan(s)	Person Responsible	Proposed Completion Date

**Administrator Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_

Administrator Signature Date

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<b>SECTION D – WITNESS REPORTS (If Applicable)</b>	
1.	
Last Name, First Name	(Area Code) Phone
Account of Incident:	
2.	
Last Name, First Name	(Area Code) Phone
Account of Incident:	
3.	
Last Name, First Name	(Area Code) Phone
Account of Incident:	
4.	
Last Name, First Name	(Area Code) Phone
Account of Incident:	
5.	
Last Name, First Name	(Area Code) Phone
Account of Incident:	

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**USER REQUESTING ACCESS**

USER NAME
USER TITLE
VENDOR NAME

I, the individual named above understand that I am being granted access to a County of Riverside network for the sole purpose of accomplishing the tasks that I have been contracted with County of Riverside to complete. I understand that this access is a privilege and that it may be revoked at any time if I fail to comply with the provisions set forth herein.

Riverside County creates and maintains demographic and health information relating to its patients (defined as “Confidential Information”). This Confidential Information is located in computer information systems as well as paper charts and files. Confidential Information is protected from unauthorized or inappropriate access by Riverside County policies, as well as state and federal law.

Riverside County provides access to a network segment for pre-authorized 3rd parties. Remote Access Users may not gain access to, use, copy, make notes of, remove, divulge or disclose Confidential Information, except as necessary for contracted business purposes. County of Riverside provides access to a network segment for pre-authorized 3rd parties. This access is intended solely for business purposes and is filtered, monitored, and managed accordingly.

Due to the wide variety of hardware and software configurations that may be present on 3rd party devices, the County of Riverside and its employees cannot accept responsibility/liability for:

- Loss, corruption or virus infection of customer data and/or applications.
- Hardware or software damage resulting from the use of equipment or software while on the County of Riverside network.
- Hardware or software damage resulting from service by County of Riverside employee.

This includes, but is not limited to:

- Damage to portable electronic storage, communication, or media devices.
- Damage to a laptop's software configuration due to service by County of Riverside staff.
- Loss of data on an electronic storage, communication, or media device; or loss of data from an email server.

Authorized Vendors are required to:

- Use County of Riverside’s network only for authorized business purposes.
- Ensure anti-malware, and encryption applications are actively employed on their equipment and that corresponding signatures and patches are maintained in a current manner.

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## USER AGREEMENT

1. **Access to Confidential Information through Riverside County Information Systems.** Riverside County agrees to provide Remote Access User with access to the County of Riverside Information Systems, which may contain Confidential Information, including Protected Health Information ("PHI"), subject to the conditions outlined in this Agreement. Remote Access User may access only the minimum amount of Confidential Information necessary to perform contracted services on behalf of Riverside County.
2. **Protection of Confidentiality and Security of Confidential Information.** Remote Access User agrees to protect the confidentiality and security of any Confidential Information accessed from Riverside County. Remote Access User will comply with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA") and the rules implementing HIPAA.

The Remote Access User agrees to never access Confidential Information for "curiosity viewing." The Remote Access User understands that this includes viewing their own personal Confidential Information as well as that of their children, family members, friends, or coworkers, and all others unless access is necessary to provide contracted services.

3. **User Name and Passwords.** Remote Access User agrees not to share his/ her user name, password or access device with any other person or allow anyone else to access Riverside County Information Systems under his/her user name, password or device. Remote Access User agrees to notify the Riverside County Information Security Office at (951) 955-8282 immediately if he/she becomes aware or suspects that another person used his/her user name, password or device to gain access to Riverside County Information Systems.
4. **Printing Confidential Information.** If Remote Access User prints Confidential Information, User will protect the printed Confidential Information from any access or use not authorized by this Agreement, and thereafter shred such copies when they are no longer required for the purposes authorized herein. If printed Confidential Information is stolen or lost the Remote Access User agrees to notify the Riverside County Information Security Office within 12 hours.
5. **Auditing Compliance.** Remote Access User agrees that his/her compliance with this Agreement may be reviewed/audited by Riverside County and will return any software or equipment and/or un-install/delete any software programs upon request by Riverside County.
6. **Risks and Warranties.** The parties recognize that remote access introduces unique risks that may exist on the remote access device that compromises the integrity and security of data and remote access, including but not limited to spyware, hacker access, viruses, worms, and other harmful software (collectively referred to as "Remote Access Risks"). Riverside County will not be responsible or liable for any losses or damages related to Remote Access Risks.

Remote Access User agrees that Riverside County will not be liable for any direct, indirect, incidental, special or other damages incurred by Remote Access User. Riverside County does not guarantee or warrant the availability of remote access of Riverside County Information Systems.

Riverside County reserves the right to impose additional information security safeguards, including (without limitation) software and hardware requirements.

7. **Breach Notification.** Remote Access User must report to the Riverside County Information Security Office within 12 hours, any access, use, or disclosure of Confidential Information for purposes other than those permitted by this Policy or this Agreement.
8. **Vendor Responsibilities.** The Responsibilities of the contracted Remote Access User's employer are set forth below. This agreement must be signed by an authorized representative of Remote Access User's employer. This Agreement will not become

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effective, and Riverside County will not grant remote access, unless this agreement is signed by such authorized representative of Remote Access User's employer.

9. **Confidentiality Concerns.** Riverside County, in its sole judgment and discretion, may take any or all of the following actions, when a suspicion of or actual security incident occurs involving a Remote Access User who has obtained unauthorized access to Confidential Information, has disclosed Confidential Information in violation of federal or state laws or regulations, has violated any Riverside County policies or procedures regarding confidentiality or the use of Confidential Information, or has violated any provisions of this Agreement:
- a. Suspend or terminate Remote Access User's access to Riverside County Information Systems.
  - b. Bring legal action to enforce this Agreement.
  - c. Notify the appropriate authorities if necessary.

**VENDOR RESPONSIBILITIES FOR REMOTE ACCESS USER ACCOUNTS**

1. Vendor will require each employee who which has been granted remote access to Riverside County Information Systems to sign a separate Remote Access User Agreement with Riverside County and obtain a distinct user name and password. Vendor will not permit employees to share user names and passwords.
2. Vendor agrees to train employees on the requirements of this Agreement and is responsible for its employee's compliance with all provisions of this Agreement.
3. Vendor must notify the sponsoring department listed on this form or the Riverside County Help Desk at (951) 955-9900 within 12 hours of an employee's termination. Riverside County will terminate such user's remote access upon notification.
4. This Agreement cannot be transferred or otherwise assigned to other employees.
5. Vendor shall be financially responsible for all costs (including, but not limited to, the required notification and the maintenance of customer relation phone lines, civil penalties, and damages) Riverside County incurs as the result of an unauthorized use or disclosure caused by its employees or agents.

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Notwithstanding the above, Riverside County may terminate this Agreement and any user's remote access at any time for any reason. County of Riverside appreciates your support and understanding in this matter. By signing this agreement, you acknowledge your understanding of, and agreement with, the terms of County of Riverside network use.

**USER REQUESTING ACCESS**

USER NAME
USER TITLE
VENDOR NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
REQUESTING USER SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

**AUTHORIZED AGENT OF VENDOR**

AGENT NAME
AGENT TITLE
VENDOR NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
VENDOR AUTHORIZED AGENT SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

**SUPERVISOR / MANAGER FROM SPONSORING COUNTY AGENCY / DEPARTMENT**

SUPERVISOR / MANAGER NAME	Ashley Trevino-Kwong
SUPERVISOR / MANAGER TITLE	Administrative Services Manager
COUNTY AGENCY / DEPARTMENT	RUHS-BH

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SUPERVISOR / MANAGER SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

# VPN Account Request Form – Vendor

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This application is used for establishing a VPN account for authorized third parties. A supervisor or manager must complete this application and submit it along with the signed VPN Access Agreement. Follow the instructions below.

1. A supervisor or manager completes the information below. All fields must be completed.
2. The account request form and agreement are provided to user for review of agreement and user signature.
3. The form and agreement are submitted to RCIT-Help Desk via email. Incomplete forms will not be processed.
4. Once processing is complete and account created, user and supervisor are emailed documentation. User will be required to call the RCIT-Help Desk for initial account password reset. The Requesting Supervisor / Manager will be identified as the person the user will contact for support of the departmental systems.

## SUPERVISOR / MANAGER FROM SPONSORING COUNTY AGENCY / DEPARTMENT

SUPERVISOR / MANAGER NAME <b>Ashley Trevino-Kwong</b>	
TITLE <b>Administrative Services Manager</b>	
COUNTY AGENCY / DEPARTMENT <b>RUHS-Behavioral Health</b>	
EMAIL <b>AJTrevino@ruhealth.org</b>	PHONE <b>951-358-4739</b>

## USER REQUESTING ACCESS

FIRST NAME		
LAST NAME		
JOB TITLE		
VENDOR NAME		
OFFICE STREET ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
OFFICE PHONE		
EMAIL ADDRESS		

## ACCOUNT DETAILS

DEPARTMENT BILLING STRING <b>10000.4100413651.83600</b>
VPN GROUP NAME <b>Mental Health</b>
ASSIGN SAME RIGHTS AS STAFF MEMBER
DESCRIPTION / PURPOSE OF ACCESS REQUIRED

**Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health Contracted Provider  
 Attachment E**

**OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE**

Per 42 CFR 455.104 and 455.105, providers who are entering into or renewing an agreement with the County are to disclose the following: 1) identity of all owners with a control interest of 5% or greater, and 2) certain business transactions as described in 42 CFR 455.105. If there are any changes to the information disclosed on this form, an updated form should be completed and submitted to provider's assigned analyst within 30 days of the change. Please attach a separate sheet if necessary to provide complete information.

Contractor Full Legal Name (Printed)	Federal ID Number (or n/a)
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For individuals, list the name, title, address, date of birth (DOB) and Social Security Number (SSN) for each individual having an ownership or control interest in this provider entity of 5% or greater. For entities, list the name, Tax Identification Number (TIN), business address of each organization, corporation, or entity having an ownership or control interest of 5% or greater. Please attach a separate sheet if necessary. (42 CFR 455.104)

Name of Individual or Entity	DOB	Address	SSN or TIN

Are any of the individuals listed above related to each other?  Yes  No  
 If yes, list the individuals named above who are related to each other (spouse, sibling, parent, child)

Name(s)	Relation

Are there any subcontractors that the disclosing entity has direct or indirect ownership of 5% or more?  Yes  No

If yes, list the name and address of each person with an ownership or controlling interest in any subcontractor used in which the disclosing entity has direct or indirect ownership of 5% or more.

Name of Individual or Entity	DOB	Address	SSN or TIN

Business Transactions: Has the disclosing entity had any financial transaction with any subcontractors totaling more than \$25,000 or any significant business transactions with any subcontractors?

Yes  No

If yes, list the ownership of any subcontractor with whom this provider has had business transactions totaling more than \$25,000 during the previous twelve month period; and any significant business transactions between this provider and any wholly owned supplier, or between the provider and any subcontractor, during the past 5-year period. (42 CFR 455.105)

Name of Supplier/Subcontractor	Address	Transaction Amount

Are there any person who has an ownership interest in or is a managing employee of the CONTRACTOR who has been convicted of a crime related to federal health care programs and any person who is an agent of the Contractor who has been convicted of a crime related to federal health care programs. (42 C.F.R. § 455.106(a)(1) and (2)). For this purpose, the word "agent" has the meaning described in 42 C.F.R. § 455.101.?  Yes  No

Name(s)	Type of Affiliation

I certify that the information provided herein, is true and accurate. Additions or revisions to the information above will be submitted immediately upon revision.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## CERTIFICATION OF CLAIMS AND PROGRAM INTEGRITY FORM (PIF)

<b>Billing/Service Period:</b>		<b>Amount Billed:</b>	
<b>DeptID:</b>	4100217397-75560-530280 BOARD & CARE		
<b>Provider Name:</b>	MFI Recovery Center		
<b>Contract Name/Region:</b>	Desert Sage		
<b>Service Location (Address):</b>	82-425 Miles Avenue, Indio, CA 92201		
<b>RU's Certified:</b>	33R2CS		
<b>Enumerator/Batch# (If Available):</b>			

**Medi-Cal and/or Medicare Eligible Certification of Claims and Program Integrity (ONLY)**

I, as an authorized representative of \_\_\_\_\_, **HEREBY CERTIFY** under penalty of perjury to the following: An assessment of the beneficiaries was conducted by \_\_\_\_\_ in compliance with the requirements as set forth and established in the contract with the Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health (RUHS-BH) and as stipulated by all applicable Federal, State and/or County laws for Medi-Cal and Medicare beneficiaries. The beneficiaries were eligible to receive Medi-Cal and/or Medicare services at the time the services were provided to the beneficiaries. The services included in the claim were actually provided to the beneficiaries in association with and as stipulated by the claim. Medical necessity was established by my organization for the beneficiaries as defined under Title 9, California Code of Regulations, Division 1, Chapter 11, for the service or services provided, for the time frame in which the services were provided, and by a certified and/or licensed professional as stipulated by all applicable Federal, State and County laws and regulations. Required monthly database checks to confirm identity and to determine exclusion status of officers, board members, employees, associates and agents was conducted. A client plan was developed and maintained for the beneficiaries that met all client plan requirements established in the contract with the RUHS-BH and as stipulated by all applicable Federal, State and/or County law.

**Non-Medi-Cal and/or Medicare Eligible Certification of Claims and Program Integrity (ONLY)**

I, as an authorized representative of \_\_\_\_\_, **HEREBY CERTIFY** under penalty of perjury to the following: An assessment of the beneficiaries was conducted by \_\_\_\_\_ in compliance with the requirements as set forth and established in the contract with the Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health (RUHS-BH) and as stipulated by all applicable Federal, State and/or County laws for consumers who are referred by the County to the Provider for mental health specialty services. The beneficiaries were referred to receive services at the time the services were provided to the beneficiaries in association with and as stipulated by the claim. The services included in the claim were actually provided to the beneficiaries and for the time frame in which the services were provided, and by a certified and/or licensed professional as stipulated by all applicable Federal, State and County laws and regulations. Required monthly database checks to confirm identity and to determine exclusion status of officers, board members, employees, associates and agents was conducted. A client care plan was developed and maintained for the beneficiaries that met all client care plan requirements established in the contract with the RUHS-BH and as stipulated by all applicable Federal, State and/or County law.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Provider

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Authorized Provider

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Date: Wednesday, July 30, 2025

From: Matthew Chang, Director, Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health

To: Meghan Hahn, Director, Purchasing & Fleet Services

Via: Rafael Viteri, Administrative Services Analyst, 951-358-3514

Subject: Request for MFI Recovery Center – Desert Sage

The below information is provided in support of my department requesting review for a single or sole source purchase/agreement with a cost of \$5,000 or more for goods and/or services.

Single Source       Sole Source

Supporting Documents: indicate which are included in the request from the list below.

Supplier Quote       Supplier Sole Source Letter       Final draft agreement  
 Final draft Form 11       H-11 approved by RCIT/TSOC       Grant Agreement  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Requested Supplier Name: MFI Recovery Center      Supplier ID: 0000026918
  - a. Describe the goods/service being requested:  
MFI Recovery Center (MFI) operates a Permanent Supportive Housing facility known as “Desert Sage” that serves forty-nine (49) residents. Request for Proposal (RFP #MHARC-295) for these services will be released during the first quarter of FY 2025/2026. RUHS-BH is requesting a single source to ensure the continuity of care.
  - b. Explain the unique features of the goods/services being requested from this supplier:  
To avoid the displacement of forty-nine (49) residents and to ensure continuity of care, RUHS-BH is requesting to continue contracting with MFI Recovery Center, Inc. (MFI) at the Adult Residential Care facility known as “Desert Sage”. MFI is a full-service, 501(c)(3) nonprofit, behavioral healthcare organization that operates 24 hours a day and provides high-quality treatment to adults and adolescents with substance abuse and mental health disorders. MFI also provides residential and outpatient treatment programs at their treatment facilities located throughout

Southern California. MFI has proven experience and the capacity to operate the program efficiently and effectively and is currently providing contracted services at RUHS-BH's 49-bed Adult Residential Care and Wellness Plus Supportive Services Facility.

- c. What are the operational benefits to your department?

It is in the best interest of the County to continue to contract with MFI to help minimize any disruption in residents' housing and supportive social and healthcare services.

RUHS-BH is requesting approval to contract with MFI for FY2025/20265 to allow the department time to go through a competitive bid and licensing process for these services. A new RFP for these services will be released in FY 2025/2026 and awarded by the end of FY 2025/2026.

- d. Provide details on any cost benefits/discounts.

This contract was previously competitively bid and the pricing offered by MFI was deemed reasonable and competitive based upon average industry costs and the nature of the services being provided. The rates have remained constant making this a cost benefit.

2. Can this request be formally bid out or procured using a viable solution such as an existing cooperative agreement or existing contract with another department or public entity?

Yes                       No

- a. If yes, please explain why you are requesting to utilize an SSJ process?

RUHS-BH has prepared a new RFP to provide Permanent Supportive Housing services at Desert Sage, with anticipation of its release around September 2025 and award in FY 2025/2026. To avoid the displacement of Desert Sage residents or disruption of supportive social and healthcare services for this most vulnerable population.

3. Has your department previously requested/received an assigned tracking number for a single or sole source request for this Supplier for the goods/service requested now? *(If yes, please provide the reviewed single or sole source tracking number).*

Yes    SSJ# 23-198 & 23-198a                       No

- a. What was the total annual and aggregate amount? \$1,742,187

4. Identify all costs for this requested in the table below:  
 If review is for multiple years, all costs must be identified below:

Description:	FY25/26 Total
One-time Costs: Adult Residential Care	\$1,742,187
Other Costs: 20% Additional Compensation	\$348,438
Total Costs	\$2,090,625

5. Period of Performance: July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026

Ratify Start Date (if applicable): July 1, 2025

Initial Term Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_ End Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of renewal options (please provide those options: (i.e., one year with an option to renew four additional one-year periods): N/A

Aggregate Term/End Date: June 30, 2026

6. Projected Board of Supervisor Date (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

**By signing below, I certify that all contractual and legal requirements to do business with the selected supplier has been fully vetted and approved.**

Amy McCann		7/30/2025
<b>Print Name</b>	<b>Department Head Signature</b> (Executive Level Designee)	<b>Date</b>

**PCS Reviewed:**

Melanie Hurst		8/6/2025
<b>Print Name</b>	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>

Note: Once signed by the Department Head and PCS (signature lines above), the PCS will e-mail completed SSJ form with supporting documents to [psolesource@rivco.org](mailto:psolesource@rivco.org), and cc: Supervising PCS. Please reach out to your assigned PCS with any questions.

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The section below is to be completed by the Purchasing Agent or designee.

**Purchasing Department Review and Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

Not to exceed:

One-time \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Amounts reflected in completed chart for Question #4

Total Cost \$ 2,090,625

Aggregate Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Stacy Orton*

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Purchasing Agent Signature**

8/12/2025

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

26-024

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Tracking Number**  
(Reference on Purchasing Documents)