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THIS CONTRACT is entered into in the State of California by and between San Bernardino County, hereinafter called the County, and VARP, Inc. referenced above, hereinafter called Contractor.

IT IS HEREBY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, San Bernardino County (County) desires to designate a contractor of choice for Substance Use Disorder and Recovery Services (SUDRS) Early Intervention, Outpatient Treatment, Intensive Outpatient Treatment, and Recovery Service (EI-OT-IOT-RS), as further described in the description of program services; and

WHEREAS, the County conducted a competitive process to find VARP, Inc. (Contractor) to provide these services, and

WHEREAS, based upon and in reliance on the representations of Contractor in its response to the County's Request for Proposals, the County finds Contractor qualified to provide SUDRS EI-OT-IOT-RS; and

WHEREAS, the County desires that such services be provided by Contractor and Contractor agrees to perform these services as set forth below:

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I. Definition of Terminology

- A. Wherever in this document and in any attachments hereto, the terms "Contract" and/or "Agreement" are used to describe the conditions and covenants incumbent upon the parties hereto, these terms are interchangeable.
- B. The terms "beneficiary", "client", "consumer", "customer", "participant", or "patient" are used interchangeably throughout this document and refers to the individual(s) receiving services.
- C. Definition of May, Shall and Should. Whenever in this document the words "may," "shall" and "should" are used, the following definitions shall apply: "may" is permissive; "shall" is mandatory; and "should" means desirable.
- D. Subcontractor – An individual, company, firm, corporation, partnership or other organization, not in the employment of or owned by Contractor who is performing services on behalf of Contractor under the Contract or under a separate contract with or on behalf of Contractor.
- E. The term "Contractor" means a person or company that undertakes a contract to provide materials or labor to perform a service or do a job.
- F. The term "County" refers to San Bernardino County in which the Contractor physically provides covered substance use disorder treatment services.
- G. The term "County's billing and transactional database system" refers to the centralized data entry system used by the Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) for patient and billing information.
- H. "Customary charge" refers to a provider's published charge used to bill the general public, insurers, or other non-Medi-Cal payers and which is equivalent to the charge prevalent in the public sector.
- I. The term "Department of Behavioral Health" refers to the department under state law that provides mental health and/or substance use disorder treatment and prevention services to San Bernardino County residents. In order to maintain a continuum of care, DBH operates or contracts for the provision of residential treatment, non-medical withdrawal management (detoxification) services, Outpatient Treatment services, Intensive Outpatient Treatment (IOT), case management, recovery centers and crisis and referral services. Community services are provided in all major County metropolitan areas and are readily accessible to County residents.
- J. The term "Director," unless otherwise stated, refers to the Director of DBH for San Bernardino County.
- K. The "State and/or applicable State agency" as referenced in this Contract may include the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), the Department of State Hospitals (DSH), the Department of Social Services (DSS), the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC), the Department of Public Health (CDPH), and the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD).
- L. The term "SUDRS" refers to the San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health, Substance Use Disorder and Recovery Services.

- M. The term "unit of service" refers to:
1. For case management, intensive outpatient treatment, outpatient services, Naltrexone treatment services, and recovery services contact with a beneficiary in 15-minute increments on a calendar day.
 2. For additional medication assisted treatment, physician services that includes ordering, prescribing, administering, and monitoring of all medications for substance use disorders per visit or in 15-minute increments.
 3. For narcotic treatment program services, a calendar month of treatment services provided pursuant to this section and Chapter 4 commencing with 9 CCR § 10000.
 4. For physician consultation services, consulting with addiction medicine physicians, addiction psychiatrists or clinical pharmacists in 15-minute increments.
 5. For residential services, providing daily service, per beneficiary, per bed rate.
 6. For withdrawal management per beneficiary per visit/daily unit of service.
- N. With respect to substance use disorder treatment services, a unit of service includes staff time spent conducting client visits, collateral visits, and group treatment sessions. Other services, including time spent staffing client charts and documenting treatment sessions in the charts, should be included in the Contractor's cost of the unit of service.
- O. The term "group counseling session," per Medi-Cal regulations, means contacts in which one or more therapists or counselors treat two (2) or more clients at the same time with a maximum of twelve (12) in the group, lasting ninety (90) minutes focusing on the needs of the individuals served. Group counseling sessions are for treatment. Charting the group session is not included in the ninety (90) minute group counseling session. A beneficiary that is seventeen (17) years of age or younger shall not participate in group counseling with any participants who are eighteen (18) years of age or older. However, a beneficiary who is 17 years of age or younger may participate in group counseling with participants who are 18 years of age or older when the counseling is at a provider's certified school site.
- P. The term "individual counseling session" means contact with a therapist or counselor with one (1) individual. Individual counseling can include contact with family members or other collaterals if the purpose of the collateral's participation is to focus on the treatment needs of the client by supporting the achievement of the client's treatment goals. Individual counseling sessions are for treatment. Time spent charting is not included within the individual counseling session. Services provided in-person, by telephone, or by telehealth qualify as Medi-Cal reimbursable units of service and are reimbursed without distinction.

II. General Contract Requirements

- A. Recitals
- The recitals set forth above are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.
- B. Change of address
- Contractor shall notify DBH SUDRS Administration in writing, of any change in mailing address within ten (10) business days of the change.

C. Choice of Law

This Contract shall be governed by and construed according to the laws of the State of California.

D. Contract Exclusivity

This is not an exclusive Contract. The County reserves the right to enter into a contract with other contractors for the same or similar services. The County does not guarantee or represent that the Contractor will be permitted to perform any minimum amount of work, or receive compensation other than on a per order basis, under the terms of this Contract.

E. Material Misstatement/Misrepresentation

If during the course of the administration of this Contract, the County determines that Contractor has made a material misstatement or misrepresentation or that materially inaccurate information has been provided to the County, this Contract may be immediately terminated. If this Contract is terminated according to this provision, the County is entitled to pursue any available legal remedies.

F. Mutual Covenants

The parties to this Contract mutually covenant to perform all of their obligations hereunder, to exercise all discretion and rights granted hereunder, and to give all consents in a reasonable manner consistent with the standards of "good faith" and "fair dealing".

G. Notice of Delays

Except as otherwise provided herein, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this contract, that party shall, within twenty-four (24) hours, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

H. Relationship of the Parties

Nothing contained in this Contract shall be construed as creating a joint venture, partnership, or employment arrangement between the Parties hereto, nor shall either Party have the right, power or authority to create an obligation or duty, expressed or implied, on behalf of the other Party hereto.

I. Time of the Essence

Time is of the essence in performance of this Contract and of each of its provisions.

III. Contract Supervision

A. The Director or designee shall be the County employee authorized to represent the interests of the County in carrying out the terms and conditions of this Contract. The Contractor shall provide, in writing, the names of the persons who are authorized to represent the Contractor in this Contract.

B. Contractor will designate an individual to serve as the primary point of contact for this Contract. Contractor shall not change the primary contact without written notification and acceptance of the County. Contractor shall notify DBH SUDRS Administration when the primary contact will be unavailable/out of the office for one (1) or more workdays and will

also designate a back-up point of contact in the event the primary contact is not available. Contractor or designee must respond to DBH inquiries within two (2) business days.

- C. Contractor shall provide DBH Program contact with contact information, specifically, name, phone number and email address of Contractor's staff member who is responsible for the following processes: Business regarding administrative issues, Technical regarding data issues, Clinical regarding program issues; and Facility.

IV. Performance

- A. Recovery is an approach to helping the individual to live a healthy, satisfying, and hopeful life despite limitations and/or continuing effects caused by his or her substance use disorder. "Rehabilitation" is a strength-based approach to skills development that focuses on maximizing an individual's functioning. Services shall support the individual in accomplishing his/her desired results. Program staffing should be multi-disciplinary and reflect the cultural, linguistic, ethnic, age, gender, sexual orientation and other social characteristics of the community which the program serves. Families, caregivers, human service agency personnel and other significant support persons should be encouraged to participate in the planning and implementation process in responding to the individual's needs and desires, and in facilitating the individual's choices and responsibilities. Recovery programs by design may employ credentialed personnel and/or others with expert knowledge and experience in the substance use disorder treatment and recovery field.
- B. Under this Agreement, the Contractor shall provide those services, which are dictated by attached Addenda, Schedules and/or Attachments; specifically, Contractor will adhere to **Addendum I Special Provisions for Federally Funded Programs**, **Addendum II Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services Block Grant (SUBG) Program Specifications**, **Addendum III Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Additional Provisions**, and **Addendum IV Agreement for Provision of Substance Use Disorder Services Early Intervention, Outpatient Treatment, Intensive Outpatient Treatment, and Recovery Services**. The Contractor agrees to be knowledgeable in and apply all pertinent local, State and Federal laws and regulations; including, but not limited to those referenced in the body of this Agreement, and all memos, letters, or instruction given by the Director and/or Program Manager II or designee in the provision of any and all Substance Use Disorder and Recovery Services programs. In the event information in the Addenda, Schedules and/or Attachments conflicts with the basic Agreement, then information in the Addenda, Schedules and/or Attachments shall take precedence to the extent permitted by law.
- C. **No Unlawful Use of Drugs Messaging and Material**
Contractor shall ensure that no program messaging, publication, education and/or material(s) will contain guidance, tips or suggestions on the "responsible use" of unlawful drugs; and would conflict with communication that the unlawful use of alcohol and drugs is illegal and dangerous. This requirement is in accordance with Health & Safety Code §11999-11999.3.

D. **Data Collection and Performance Outcome Requirements**

Contractor shall maintain compliance with all applicable federal, state, and county laws, regulations, policies, and guidance, including but not limited to requirements issued by DBH and DHCS, including Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) requirements. Such requirements may be issued in draft or final form and may be updated or modified during the term of this Agreement. Contractor shall implement applicable changes within timeframes established by DBH.

Contractor shall comply with all requests regarding local, State and Federal Performance Outcomes measurement requirements and participate in the outcomes measurement processes as requested.

MHSOAC, DHCS, OSHPD, DBH and other oversight agencies or their representatives have specific accountability and outcome requirements. Timely reporting is essential for meeting those expectations.

1. Contractor must collect, manage, maintain and update client, service and episode data as well as staffing data required for local, State and Federal reporting.
2. Contractor shall provide information by entering or uploading, on a timely basis to ensure reporting accuracy, required data into:
 - a. County's billing and transactional database system.
 - b. DBH's client information system and, when available, its electronic health record system.
 - c. Individualized data collection applications as specified by DBH.
 - d. Any other data or information collection system identified by DBH, the MHSOAC, OSHPD or DHCS.
3. Contractor shall comply with all requirements regarding paper or online forms:
 - a. Annual Treatment Perception Surveys (paper-based): annually, or as designated by DHCS. Contractor shall collect consumer perception data for clients served by the programs. The data to be collected includes, but not limited to, the client's perceptions of the quality and results of services provided by the Contractor.
 - b. Client preferred language survey (paper-based), if requested by DBH.
 - c. Intermittent services outcomes surveys.
 - d. Surveys associated with services and/or evidence-based practices and programs intended to measure strategy program, component, or system level outcomes and/or implementation fidelity.
 - e. Network Adequacy Certification Tool (NACT) as required by DHCS and pursuant to DBH instructions.
4. Data must be entered, submitted and/or updated in a timely manner for:

- a. All FSP and non-FSP clients: this typically means that client, episode and service-related data shall be entered into the County's billing and transactional database system.
 - b. All services, programs, and survey data will be provided in accordance with all DBH established timelines.
5. Contractor will ensure that data are consistent with DBH's specified operational definitions, that data are in the required format, that data is correct and complete at time of data entry, and that databases are updated when information changes.
 6. Data collection requirements may be modified or expanded according to local, State, and/or Federal requirements.
 7. Contractor shall submit, monthly, its own analyses of the data collected for the prior month, demonstrating how well the contracted services or functions provided satisfied the intent of the Contract, and indicating, where appropriate, changes in operations that will improve adherence to the intent of the Contract. The format for this reporting will be provided by DBH.
 8. Independent research involving clients shall not be conducted without the prior written approval of the Director of DBH. Any approved research must follow the guidelines in the DBH Research Policy, as well as requirements set forth in 42 C.F.R § 2.52 Research.

Note: Independent research means a systematic investigation, including research development, testing and evaluation, designed to develop or contribute to generalized knowledge. Activities which meet this definition constitute research for purposes of this policy, whether or not they are conducted or supported under a program which is considered research for other purposes. For example, some demonstration and service programs may include research activities.

E. Right to Monitor and Audit Performance and Records

1. Right to Monitor

County or any subdivision or appointee thereof, and the State of California or any subdivision or appointee thereof, including the Auditor General, shall have absolute right to review and audit all records, books, papers, documents, corporate minutes, financial records, staff information, patient records other pertinent items as requested, and shall have absolute right to monitor the performance of Contractor in the delivery of services provided under this Contract. Full cooperation shall be given by Contractor in any auditing or monitoring conducted, according to this agreement and per 42 C.F.R. § 2.53 Audit and Evaluation.

Contractor shall make all of its premises, physical facilities, equipment, books, records, documents, contracts, computers, or other electronic systems pertaining to Drug Medi-Cal enrollees, Drug Medi-Cal-related activities, services, and activities furnished under the terms of this Contract, or determinations of amounts payable available at any time for inspection, examination, or copying by DBH, the State of

California or any subdivision or appointee thereof, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Office of Inspector General, the United States Comptroller General or their designees, and other authorized Federal and State agencies. This audit right will exist for at least ten (10) years from the final date of the contract period or in the event the Contractor has been notified that an audit or investigation of this Contract has commenced, until such time as the matter under audit or investigation has been resolved, including the exhaustion of all legal remedies. Records and documents include, but are not limited to, all physical and electronic records.

Contractor shall cooperate with the County in the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of this Agreement and comply with any and all reporting requirements established by the County. Should the County identify an issue or receive notification of a complaint or potential/actual/suspected violation of requirements, County may audit, monitor, and/or request information from Contractor to ensure compliance with laws, regulations, and requirements, as applicable.

County reserves the right to place the Contractor on probationary status, as referenced in the Probationary Status Article, should the Contractor fail to meet performance requirements; including, but not limited to violations such as high disallowance rates, failure to report incidents and changes as contractually required, failure to correct issues, inappropriate invoicing, timely and accurate data entry, meeting performance outcomes expectations, and violations issued directly from the State. Additionally, Contractor may be subject to Probationary Status or termination if contract monitoring and auditing corrective actions are not resolved within specified timeframes.

2. Availability of Records

Contractor and subcontractors, shall retain, all records and documents originated or prepared pursuant to Contractor's or subcontractor's performance under this Contract, including beneficiary grievance and appeal records as indicated in 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) section 438.416, and the data, information and documentation specified in 42 CFR sections 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 and documents include, but are not limited to, all physical and electronic records and documents originated or prepared pursuant to Contractor's or subcontractor's performance under this Contract including working papers, reports, financial records and documents of account, beneficiary records, prescription files, subcontracts, and any other documentation pertaining to covered services and other related services for beneficiaries.

Contractor shall maintain all records and management books pertaining to local service delivery and demonstrate accountability for contract performance and maintain all fiscal, statistical, and management books and records pertaining to the program.

Contractor shall ensure and oversee the existence of reasonable internal control over fiscal records and financial reporting.

Records, should include, but are not limited to, monthly summary sheets, sign-in sheets, and other primary source documents.

Contractor shall permit DBH and the State access and inspection of electronic or print books and records, access to physical facilities, and access and ability to interview employees. Failure to permit access for inspection and/or ability to interview is a breach of this Contract and sufficient basis to terminate for cause or default.

All records shall be complete, current, and comply with all Contract requirements. Failure to maintain acceptable records per the preceding requirements shall be considered grounds for withholding of payments for billings submitted and for termination of a Contract.

Contractor shall maintain client and community service records in compliance with all regulations set forth by local, State, and Federal requirements, laws and regulations, and provide access to clinical records by DBH staff.

Contractor shall comply with the Medical Records/Protected Health Information Article of this Agreement regarding relinquishing or maintaining medical records.

Contractor shall agree to maintain and retain all appropriate service and financial records for a period of at least ten (10) years from the date of final payment, the final date of the contract period, final settlement, or until audit findings are resolved, whichever is later.

Contractor shall submit audited financial reports on an annual basis to DBH. The audit shall be conducted in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and generally accepted auditing standards.

In the event the Contract is terminated, ends its designated term or the Contractor ceases operation of its business, Contractor shall deliver or make available to DBH 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.

3. Assistance by Contractor

Contractor shall provide all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safety and convenience of County's representatives in the performance of their duties. All inspections and evaluations shall be performed in such a manner as will not unduly delay the work of the Contractor.

- F. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the County may withhold all payments due to the Contractor, if the Contractor has been given at least thirty (30) days notice of any deficiency(ies) and has failed to correct such deficiency(ies). Such deficiency(ies) may include, but are not limited to: failure to provide services described in this Agreement; Federal, State, and County audit exceptions resulting from noncompliance, violations of pertinent Federal and State laws and regulations, and

significant performance problems as determined by the Director or designee from monitoring visits.

G. County has the discretion to revoke full or partial provisions of the Contract, delegated activities or obligations, or application of other remedies permitted by State or Federal law when the County or DHCS determines Contractor has not performed satisfactorily.

H. Cultural Competency

The State mandates counties to develop and implement a Cultural Competency Plan (CCP). This CCP applies to all DBH services. Policies and procedures and all services must be culturally and linguistically appropriate. Contract agencies are included in the implementation process of the most recent State approved CCP for San Bernardino County and shall adhere to all cultural competency standards and requirements. Contractor shall participate in the County's efforts to promote the delivery of services in a culturally competent and equitable manner to all enrollees, including those with limited English proficiency and diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds, disabilities, and regardless of gender, sexual orientation or gender identity. In addition, contract agencies will maintain a copy of the current DBH CCP.

1. Cultural and Linguistic Competency

Cultural competence is defined as a set of congruent practice skills, knowledge, behaviors, attitudes, and policies that come together in a system, agency, or among consumer providers and professionals that enables that system, agency, or those professionals and consumer providers to work effectively in cross-cultural situations.

- a. To ensure equal access to quality care for diverse populations, Contractor shall adopt the Federal Office of Minority Health Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) national standards.
- b. Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Dymally-Alatorre Bilingual Services Act (Government Code sections 7290-7299.8) regarding access to materials that explain services available to the public as well as providing language interpretation services.
- c. Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Dymally-Alatorre Bilingual Services Act (Government Code sections 7290-7299.8) regarding access to materials that explain services available to the public as well as providing language interpretation services.
- d. Upon request, Contractor shall provide DBH with culture-specific service options available to be provided by Contractor.
- e. Contractor shall have the capacity or ability to provide interpretation and translation services in threshold and prevalent non-English languages, free of charge to beneficiaries. Upon request, Contractor will provide DBH with language service options available to be provided by Contractor. Including procedures to determine competency level for multilingual/bilingual personnel.

- f. Contractor shall provide cultural competency training to personnel.

NOTE: Contractor staff is required to complete cultural competency trainings. Staff who do not have direct contact providing services to clients/consumers shall complete a minimum of two (2) hours of cultural competency training, and direct service staff shall complete a minimum of four (4) hours of cultural competency training each calendar year. Contractor shall upon request from the County, provide information and/or reports as to whether its provider staff completed cultural competency training.

- g. DBH recognizes that cultural competence is a goal toward which professionals, agencies, and systems should strive. Becoming culturally competent is a developmental process and incorporates at all levels the importance of culture, the assessment of cross-cultural relations, vigilance towards the dynamics that result from cultural differences, the expansion of cultural knowledge, and the adaptation of services to meet culturally-unique needs. Providing mental health and substance use disorder treatment services in a culturally appropriate and responsive manner is fundamental in any effort to ensure success of high quality and cost-effective behavioral health services. Offering those services in a manner that fails to achieve its intended result due to cultural and linguistic barriers does not reflect high quality of care and is not cost-effective.
- h. To assist Contractor's efforts towards cultural and linguistic competency, DBH shall provide the following:
 - i. Technical assistance to Contractor regarding cultural competency implementation.
 - a) Monitoring activities administered by DBH may require Contractor to demonstrate documented capacity to offer services in threshold languages or contracted interpretation and translation services.
 - b) procedures must be in place to determine multilingual and competency level(s).
 - ii. Demographic information to Contractor on service area for service(s) planning.
 - iii. Cultural competency training for DBH and Contractor personnel, when available.
 - iv. Interpreter training for DBH and Contractor personnel, when available.
 - v. Technical assistance for Contractor in translating mental health and substance use disorder treatment services information to DBH's threshold languages. Technical assistance will consist of final review and field testing of all translated materials as needed.

- vi. The Office of Equity and Inclusion (OEI) may be contacted for technical assistance and training offerings at cultural_competency@dbh.sbcounty.gov or by phone at (909) 252-5150.

I. Access by Public Transportation

Contractor shall ensure that services provided are accessible by transportation.

J. Site Inspection

Contractor shall permit authorized County, State, and/or Federal Agency(ies), through any authorized representative, the right to inspect or otherwise evaluate the work performed or being performed hereunder including subcontract support activities and the premises which it is being performed. The Contractor shall provide all reasonable assistance for the safety and convenience of the authorized representative in the performance of their duties. All inspections and evaluations shall be made in a manner that will not unduly delay the work.

K. Disaster Response

1. In the event that a local, State, or Federal emergency is proclaimed within San Bernardino County, Contractor shall cooperate with the County in the implementation of the DBH Disaster Response Plan. This may include deployment of Contractor staff to provide services in the community, in and around county areas under mutual aid contracts, in shelters and/or other designated areas.
2. Contractor shall provide the DBH Disaster Coordinator with a roster of key administrative and response personnel including after-hours phone numbers, pagers, and/or cell phone numbers to be used in the event of a regional emergency or local disaster. These numbers will be kept current by quarterly reports to the County by Contractor. The County shall keep such information confidential and not release other than to authorized County personnel or as otherwise required by law.
3. Contractor shall ensure that, within three months from the Contract effective date, at least twenty-five percent (25%) of Contractor's permanent direct service staff participates in a disaster response orientation and training provided by the County or County's designee.
4. Said twenty-five percent (25%) of designated Contractor permanent direct service staff shall complete the following disaster trainings as prerequisites to the DBH-live trainings held annually, which are available online on the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) website at <https://training.fema.gov/is/crslist.aspx>:
 - a. IS: 100
 - b. IS: 200
 - c. IS: 700
 - d. IS: 800

5. The County agrees to reimburse Contractor for all necessary and reasonable expenses incurred as a result of participating in the County's disaster response at the request of County. Any reasonable and allowable expenses above the Contract maximum will be subject to negotiations.
6. Contractor shall provide DBH with the key administrative and response personnel including after-hours phone numbers, pagers, and/or cell phone numbers to be used in the event of a regional emergency or local disaster. Updated reports are due fourteen (14) days after the close of each quarter. Please send updated reports to:

Office of Disaster and Safety
303 E. Vanderbilt Way
San Bernardino, CA 92415
safety@dbh.sbcounty.gov

L. Collections Costs

Should the Contractor owe monies to the County for reasons including, but not limited to, Quality Management review, cost-settlement, and/or fiscal audit, and the Contractor has failed to pay the balance in full or remit mutually agreed upon payment, the County may refer the debt for collection. Collection costs incurred by the County shall be recouped from the Contractor. Collection costs charged to the Contractor are not a reimbursable expenditure under the Contract.

M. Internal Control

Contractor must establish and maintain effective internal control over the County Fund to provide reasonable assurance that the Contractor manages the County Fund in compliance with Federal, State and County statutes, regulations, and terms and conditions of the Contract.

Fiscal practices and procedures shall be kept in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and must account for all funds, tangible assets, revenue and expenditures. Additionally, fiscal practices and procedures must comply with the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title II, Subtitle A, Chapter II, Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.

N. Damage to County Property, Facilities, Buildings, or Grounds (If Applicable)

Contractor shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, all damage to County vehicles, facilities, buildings or grounds caused by the willful or negligent acts of Contractor or employees or agents of the Contractor. Contractor shall notify DBH SUDRS Administration within two (2) business days when such damage has occurred. All repairs or replacements must be approved by the County in writing, prior to the Contractor's commencement of repairs or replacement of reported damaged items. Such repairs shall be made as soon as possible after Contractor receives written approval from DBH but no later than thirty (30) days after the DBH approval.

O. If the Contractor fails to make timely repairs, the County may make any necessary repairs. The Contractor, as determined by the County, for such repairs shall repay all costs

incurred by the County, by cash payment upon demand, or County may deduct such costs from any amounts due to the Contractor from the County.

P. Damage to County Issued/Loaned Equipment (if Applicable)

1. Contractor shall repair, at its own cost, all damage to County equipment issued/loaned to Contractor for use in performance of this Contract. Such repairs shall be made immediately after Contractor becomes aware of such damage, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the occurrence.
2. If the Contractor fails to make timely repairs, the County may make any necessary repairs. The Contractor shall repay all costs incurred by the County, by cash payment upon demand, or County may deduct such costs from any amount due to the Contractor from the County.
3. If a virtual private network (VPN) token is lost or damaged, Contractor must contact DBH immediately and provide the username assigned to the VPN Token. DBH will obtain a replacement token and assign it to the user account. Contractor will be responsible for the VPN token replacement fee.

Q. All services performed by the Contractor, regardless of funding, shall be entered into the County's billing and transactional database system no later than the seventh (7th) day of the following month. Reports will be run by DBH Fiscal after this date and the reports will be used for payment of services.

R. Drug and Treatment Access Report

Contractor shall comply with all State regulations regarding the Drug and Treatment Access Report (DATAR) requirements and participate in the DATAR process, as required by the State, which includes, but is not limited to, enrollment in DHCS's web-based DATAR program for submission of data, accessible on the DHCS website upon execution of this contract.

Contractor shall complete the monthly DATAR reporting requirements, in an electronic copy format, no later than the fifth (5th) day of the following month for the prior month's services and demographic information.

Contractor shall notify DBH SUDRS Administration and DHCS upon reaching or exceeding ninety percent (90%) of its treatment capacity within seven (7) days of reaching capacity by e-mailing DHCSOWPS@dhcs.ca.gov and DBH-SUDRSADMIN@dbh.sbcounty.gov, or most recent email address as provided by DHCS and/or DBH SUDRS Administration. The subject line in the e-mail shall read "Capacity Management."

Should the Contractor experience system or service failure or other extraordinary circumstances that affect its ability to timely submit a monthly DATAR report, Contractor shall immediately, but no later than three (3) days before the submission deadline, report the problem to DBH in writing. Contractor shall include in the notice a corrective action plan that is subject to review and approval by DBH and DHCS. Contractor acknowledges if the problem is not resolved in the determined grace period, which cannot exceed sixty (60) days, non-DMC payments may be withheld. Contractor acknowledges the State may

assess penalties to the County or directly to the Contractor to which the Contractor is responsible for payment if the County or Contractor is found to be non-compliant with DATAR requirements.

S. Strict Performance

Failure by a party to insist upon the strict performance of any of the provisions of this Contract by the other party, or the failure by a party to exercise its rights upon the default of the other party, shall not constitute a waiver of such party's right to insist and demand strict compliance by the other party with the terms of this Contract thereafter.

T. Telehealth

Contractor shall utilize telehealth, when deemed appropriate, as a mode of delivering behavioral health services in accordance with all applicable state and federal requirements, DBH's Telehealth Policy (MDS2027) and Procedure (MDS2027-1), as well as DHCS Telehealth Policy, CMS Telehealth/Telemedicine Standards, and those related to privacy/security, efficiency, and standards of care.

V. Funding

A. This Agreement is contingent upon sufficient funds being made available by Federal, State, and/or County governments for the term of the Agreement. Funding is by fiscal year period July 1 through June 30. Costs and services are accounted for by fiscal year. Any unspent fiscal year allocation may not roll over and may not be available in future years. Any unspent allocation by fiscal year may, upon County review and approval, be available within the current fiscal year. Each fiscal year period is settled to Federal and/or State cost reporting accountability.

B. The maximum financial obligation of the County under this Agreement shall not exceed the sum referenced in Schedule A. The maximum financial obligation is further limited by fiscal year and funding source and service types as delineated on the Schedules A and B. Contractor may not transfer funds between funding sources of a budgeted line item without the prior written approval from DBH.

1. It is understood between the parties that Schedule A is a budgetary guideline. Contractor must adhere to the budget by categorical funding outlined in the Schedule A of the Contract as well as track year-to-date expenditures. Contractor understands that costs incurred for services not listed or in excess of categorical funding in the Schedule A shall result in non-payment to Contractor for these costs.

C. Contractor agrees to renegotiate the dollar value of this Contract, at the option of the County, if the annualized projected units of service for any service type based on claims submitted for the operative fiscal year, is less than the target percentage of the service types as reported in Schedule A.

D. If the annualized projected units of service for any based on claims submitted for the operative fiscal year, is greater than 100% of the projected units (minutes/hours of time) reported in Schedule A, the County and Contractor agree to meet to discuss the feasibility of renegotiating this Agreement. Contractor must notify DBH SUDRS Administration of

Contractor's desire to meet and discuss no later than February 1 of the operative fiscal year.

- E. County will take into consideration requests for changes to Contract funding, within the existing contracted amount. All requests must be submitted in writing by Contractor, with updated budget schedules and justification, to DBH Program no later than February 1 for the operative fiscal year.
- F. This contract is federally funded and subject to the additional terms on Attachment IV Federal Contracting Provisions. A portion of the funding for these services includes Federal Funds. The Federal CFDA number(s) is/are 93.959.
- G. In the event of a reduction of the County's allocation of Federal, State or County funding for substance use disorder programs, the Contractor agrees to accept a reduction in funding under this Contract to be determined by the County.
- H. Contractor shall maximize the Federal Financial Participation (FFP) reimbursement by claiming all possible Medi-Cal services. Therefore, Contractor must determine on a monthly basis, client eligibility for or entitlement to any and all of the funding used by the County for services to pay for services under the terms and conditions of this Contract. Contractor shall then bill County for those services based on client eligibility or entitlement. Failure to verify eligibility or comply with all program and funding requirements will result in non-payment of services.
 - 1. The County may not be responsible for beneficiaries that do not reside within County boundaries and do not meet eligibility.
- I. If client eligibility for a categorical funding is found by the County to be different than eligibility determined by Contractor, County's determination of eligibility will be used to reimburse Contractor for said services. Additionally, no payment will be made for identified services if it is determined that Contractor is out of compliance with program and funding requirements.
- J. Contractor Prohibited From Redirections of Contracted Funds:
 - 1. Funds under this Agreement are provided for the delivery of SUD services to eligible beneficiaries under each of the funded programs identified in the Scope of Work. Each funded program has been established in accordance with the requirements imposed by each respective County, State and/or Federal payer source contributing to the funded program.
 - 2. Contractor may not redirect funds from one funded program to another funded program, except through a duly executed amendment to this Agreement.
- K. The allowable funding sources for this Contract may include: California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids, Public Safety Realignment Assembly Bill 109, Federal Financial Participation Drug Medi-Cal, and Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services Block Grant. Federal funds may not be used as match funds to draw down other federal funds.
- L. The County maximum financial obligation under this contract shall not exceed \$1,316,359 for the contract term.

VI. Limitation on Use of Funds

- A. Contractor agrees that no part of any federal funds provided under this Contract shall be used to support lobbying activities to influence proposed or pending Federal or State legislation or appropriations.
- B. Contractor shall not use any state or federal funds to provide direct, immediate or substantial support to any religious activity.
- C. Nondiscrimination and Institutional Safeguards for Religious Providers
 - Contractor shall establish such processes and procedures as necessary to comply with the provisions of USC, Title 42, Section 300x-65 and CFR, Title 42, Part 54.
- D. No funds made available through this Contract shall be used to carry out any program of distributing sterile needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of any illegal drug.
- E. None of the funds made available through this Contract 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 Substance Act (21USC 812).

VII. Provisional Payment

- A. Monthly payments for Substance Use Disorder & Recovery Services providing billable outpatient Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) services will be based on actual units of service reported on Charge Data Invoices claimed to and reimbursed by the State, and services deemed by the State to be DBH responsibility at the rates specified on the referenced agreed upon **FFS reimbursement rates** for of this agreement, and non-billable outpatient DMC-ODS services will be based on cost reimbursement, provided that the total of all payments to Contractor [and all other contract providers if applicable for an aggregate] shall not exceed Contracted amount or County's Maximum Obligation. (The current CalAIM Payment Reform Rate Schedule is set forth in Exhibit I attached hereto.)
- B. Contractor shall bill the County monthly in arrears for services provided by Contractor on claim forms provided by DBH. All claims submitted shall clearly reflect all required information specified regarding the services for which claims are made. Claims for Reimbursement shall be completed and forwarded to DBH within ten (10) days after the close of the month in which services were rendered. Following receipt of a complete and correct monthly claim, the County shall make payment within a reasonable period.
 - 1. For the period of January 1, 2026 through May 31, 2026, DBH will reconcile monthly payments for billable outpatient DMC-ODS services to ensure provider payments are made at a minimum of 1/12th of the maximum allocations for the billable outpatient DMC-ODS services.
- C. The Parties acknowledge that each party is solely responsible for any tax obligations it may incur as a result of the payment or receipt of the Settlement Amount, as applicable.
- D. Contractor shall accept all payments from County via electronic funds transfer (EFT) directly deposited into the Contractor's designated checking or other bank account. Contractor shall promptly comply with directions and accurately complete forms provided by County required to process EFT payments.

- E. Contractor shall be in compliance with the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, Section 6032 Implementation. As a condition of payment for services, goods, supplies and merchandise provided to beneficiaries in the Medical Assistance Program ("Medi-Cal"), providers must comply with the False Claims Act employee training and policy requirements in 1902(a) of the Social Security Act [42 U.S.C. 1396(a) (68)], set forth in that subsection and as the Federal Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services may specify.
- F. As this contract may be funded in whole or in part with Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funds signed into law January 1, 2005, Contractor must verify client eligibility for other categorical funding, prior to utilizing MHSA funds. Failure to verify eligibility for other funding may result in non-payment for services. Also, if audit findings reveal Contractor failed to fulfill requirements for categorical funding, funding source will not revert to MHSA. Contractor will be required to reimburse funds to the County.
- G. Contractor agrees that no part of any Federal funds provided under this Contract shall be used to pay the salary of an individual per fiscal year at a rate in excess of Level 1 of the Executive Schedule at <http://www.opm.gov/> (U.S. Office of Personnel Management).
- H. County is exempt from Federal excise taxes and no payment shall be made for any personal property taxes levied on Contractor or any taxes levied on employee wages. The County shall only pay for any State or local sales or use taxes on the services rendered or equipment and/or parts supplied to the County pursuant to the Contract.
- I. The Fee-For-Service reimbursement rates are established by DBH for San Bernardino County. DBH will take into consideration requests for changes to Contract funding as applicable and appropriate. All requests for changes must be submitted in writing by Contractor to the DBH Deputy Director of SUDRS, or designee. Any modification must be approved in writing by DBH and shall be subject to all applicable provisions of this Contract.
- J. If DHCS or the County determines there is a credible allegation of fraud, waste or abuse against government funds, the County shall suspend payments to the Contractor.
- K. Contractor may contact DBH Quality Management directly with questions pertaining to appropriate and compliant documentation via telephone at (909) 386-8227, or via email at DBH-QualityManagementDivision@dbh.sbcounty.gov so that DBH QM may respond or direct questions to a designee for response.
- L. Contractor shall adhere to the County's Travel Management Policy (8-02 and 08-02SP1) when travel is pursuant to this Contract and for which reimbursement is sought from the County. In addition, Contractor is encouraged to utilize local transportation services, including but not limited to, the Ontario International Airport.
- M. Contractor shall have a written policy and procedures which outline the allocation of direct and indirect costs. These policies and procedures should follow the guidelines set forth in the Uniform Grant Guidance, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards. Calculation of allocation rates must be based on actual data (total direct cost, labor costs, labor hours, etc.) from current fiscal year. If current data is not available, the most recent data may be used. Contractor shall acquire actual data necessary for indirect costs

allocation purpose. Estimated costs must be reconciled to actual cost. Contractor must notify DBH in writing if the indirect cost rate changes.

- N. As applicable, for Federal Funded Program, Contactor shall charge the County program a de Minimis ten percent (10%) of the Modified Total Direct Cost (MTDC) as indirect cost. If Contractor has obtained a "Federal Agency Acceptance of Negotiated Indirect Cost Rates", the contractor must also obtain concurrence in writing from DBH of such rate.

For non-Federal funded programs, indirect cost rate claimed to DBH contracts cannot exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the MTDC of the program unless pre-approved in writing by DBH or Contractor has a "Federal Agency Acceptance of Negotiated Indirect Rates."

The total cost of the program must be composed of the total allowable direct cost and allocable indirect cost less applicable credits. Cost must be consistently charged as either indirect or direct costs but, may not be double charged or inconsistently charged as both, reference Title II Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §200.414 indirect costs. All cost must be based on actual instead of estimated costs.

- O. Prohibited Payments

County shall make no payment to Contractor other than payment for services covered under this Contract.

Federal Financial Participation is not available for any amount furnished to an excluded individual or entity, or at the direction of a physician during the period of exclusion when the person providing the service knew or had reason to know of the exclusion, or to an individual or entity when the County failed to suspend payments during an investigation of a credible allegation of fraud [42 U.S.C. section 1396b(i)(2)].

In accordance with Section 1903(i) of the Social Security Act, County is prohibited from paying for an item or service:

- i. 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.
- ii. 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).
- iii. 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.
- iv. With respect to any amount expended for which funds may not be used under the Assisted Suicide Funding Restriction Act (ASFRA) of 1997.

- P. If DHCS or the County determines there is a credible allegation of fraud, waste or abuse against government funds, the County shall suspend payments to the Contractor.

VIII. Electronic Signatures

- A. The State has established the requirements for electronic signatures in electronic health record systems. DBH has sole discretion to authorize contractors to use e-signatures as applicable. If a contractor desires to use e-signatures in the performance of this Contract, the Contractor shall:
 - 1. Submit the request in writing to the DBH Office of Compliance (Compliance) along with the E-Signature Checklist and requested policies to the Compliance general email inbox at compliance_questions@dbh.sbcounty.gov.
 - 2. Compliance will review the request and forward the submitted checklist and policies to DBH Information Technology (IT) for review. This review period will be based on the completeness of the material submitted.
 - 3. Contractor will receive a formal letter with tentative approval and the E-Signature Agreement. Contractor shall obtain all signatures for staff participating in E-Signature and submit the Agreement with signatures, as directed in the formal letter.
 - 4. Once final, the DBH Compliance will send a second formal letter with the DBH Director's approval, and a copy of fully executed E-Signature Agreement will be sent to the Contractor.
 - 5. DBH reserves the right to change or update the e-signature requirements as the governing State Agency(ies) modifies requirements.
 - 6. DBH reserves the right to terminate e-signature authorization at will and/or should the contract agency fail to uphold the requirements.
- B. DBH reserves the right to change or update the e-signature requirements as the governing State agency(ies) modifies requirements.
- C. DBH reserves the right to terminate e-signature authorization at will and/or should the contract agency fail to uphold the requirements.

IX. Fiscal Award Monitoring

- A. County has the right to monitor the Contract during the award period to ensure accuracy of claim for reimbursement and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- B. Contractor agrees to furnish duly authorized representatives from the County and the State access to patient/client records, in accordance with 42 CFR §2.53 and per CFR Part 200 Title 2, Subpart F § 200.508, and to disclose to State and County representatives all financial records necessary to review or audit Contract services and to evaluate the cost, quality, appropriateness and timeliness of services. Contractor shall ensure County or State representative signs an Oath of Confidentiality/confidentiality statement when requesting access to any patient records. Contractor will retain said statement for its records.

- C. If the appropriate agency of the State of California, or the County, determines that all, or any part of, the payments made by the County to Contractor pursuant hereto are not reimbursable in accordance with this Agreement, said payments will be repaid by Contractor to the County. In the event such payment is not made on demand, the County may withhold monthly payment on Contractor's claims until such disallowances are paid by Contractor.
- D. If a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) is required during the annual monitoring process, it must be approved by DBH Audits. In the event the Contractor fails to obtain an approved CAP, the County may, at its option, withhold payment or any monetary settlement until the CAP is approved.

X. Final Settlement: Audit

- A. Contractor agrees to maintain and retain all appropriate service and financial records for a period of 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. This is not to be construed to relieve Contractor of the obligations concerning retention of medical records as set forth in Medical Records/Protected Health Information Article.
- B. Contractor agrees to furnish duly authorized representatives from the County and the State access to patient/client records and to disclose to State and County representatives all financial records necessary to review or audit Contract services and to evaluate the cost, quality, appropriateness and timeliness of services. Contractor shall attain a signed confidentiality statement from said County or State representative when access to any patient record is being requested for research and/or auditing purposes. Contractor will retain the confidentiality statement for its records.
- C. If the appropriate agency of the State of California, or the County, determines that all, or any part of, the payments made by the County to Contractor pursuant hereto are not reimbursable in accordance with this Agreement, said payments will be repaid by Contractor to the County. In the event such payment is not made on demand, the County may withhold monthly payment on Contractor's claims until such disallowances are paid by Contractor, may refer for collections, and/or the County may terminate and/or indefinitely suspend this Agreement immediately upon serving written notice to the Contractor.
- D. The eligibility determination and the fees charged to, and collected from, patients whose treatment is provided for hereunder may be audited periodically by the County, DBH and the State.
- E. Contractor expressly acknowledges and will comply with all audit requirements contained in the Contract documents. These requirements include, but are not limited to, the agreement that the County or its designated representative shall have the right to audit, to review, and to copy any records and supporting documentation, pertaining to the performance of this Agreement. The Contractor shall have fourteen (14) days to provide a response and additional supporting documentation upon receipt of the draft post Contract audit report. DBH – Administration Audits will review the response(s) and

supporting documentation for reasonableness and consider updating the audit information. After said time, the post Contract audit report will be final.

- F. In the event, a post Contract audit finds that Contractor is out of compliance in supporting client eligibility requirements for any categorical funding, including Drug Medi-Cal, the services will be deemed unallowable.
- G. If a post Contract audit finds that funds reimbursed to Contractor under this Agreement were in excess of actual costs or in excess of claimed costs (depending upon State of California reimbursement/audit policies) of furnishing the services, the difference shall be reimbursed on demand by Contractor to the County using one of the following methods, which shall be at the election of the County:
 - 1. Payment of total.
 - 2. Payment on a monthly schedule of reimbursement agreed upon by both the Contractor and the County.
- H. If there is a conflict between a State of California audit of this Agreement and a County audit of this Agreement, the State audit shall take precedence.
- I. In the event this Agreement is terminated, the last reimbursement claim shall be submitted within sixty (60) days after the Contractor discontinues operating under the terms of this Agreement. When such termination occurs, the County shall conduct a final audit of the Contractor within the ninety (90) day period following the termination date, and final reimbursement to the Contractor by the County shall not be made until audit results are known and all accounts are reconciled. No claims for reimbursement shall be accepted after the sixtieth (60th) day following the date of contract termination.

XI. Single Audit Requirement

- A. Pursuant to CFR, Title II, Subtitle A, Chapter II, Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, Contractors expending the threshold amount or more in Federal funds within the Contractor's fiscal year must have a single or program-specific audit performed in accordance with Subpart F, Audit Requirements. The audit shall comply with the following requirements:
 - 1. The audit shall be conducted by a licensed Certified Public Accountant (CPA).
 - 2. The audit shall be conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards, latest revision, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.
 - 3. At the completion of the audit, the Contractor must prepare, in a separate document from the auditor's findings, a corrective action plan to address each audit finding included in the auditor's report(s). The corrective action plan must provide the name(s) of the contact person(s) responsible for corrective action, the corrective action planned, and the anticipated completion date. If Contractor does not agree with the audit findings or believes corrective action is not required, then the corrective action plan must include an explanation and specific reasons.

4. Contractor is responsible for follow-up on all audit findings. As part of this responsibility, the Contractor must prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings. The summary schedule of prior audit findings must report the status of all audit findings included in the prior audit's schedule of findings and questioned costs. When audit findings were fully corrected, the summary schedule need only list the audit findings and state that corrective action was taken.
5. Contractor must electronically submit within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the auditor's report(s), but no later than nine (9) months following the end of the Contractor's fiscal year, to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse (FAC) the Data Collection Form SF-SAC (available on the FAC Web site) and the reporting package which must include the following:
 - a. Financial statements and schedule of expenditures of Federal awards.
 - b. Summary schedule of prior audit findings.
 - c. Auditor's report(s).
 - d. Corrective action plan.

Contractor must keep one copy of the data collection form and one copy of the reporting package described above on file for ten (10) years from the date of submission to the FAC or from the date of completion of any audit, whichever is later.

6. The cost of the audit is made in accordance with the provisions of Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards can be charged to applicable Federal awards. However, the following audit costs are unallowable:
 - a. Any costs when audits required by the Single Audit Act that have not been conducted or have been conducted but not in accordance with the Single Audit requirement.
 - b. Any costs of auditing that is exempted from having an audit conducted under the Single Audit Act and Subpart F – Audit Requirements because its expenditures under Federal awards are less than the threshold amount during the Contractor's fiscal year.

Where apportionment of the audit is necessary, such apportionment shall be made in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles but shall not exceed the proportionate amount that the Federal funds represent of the Contractor's total revenue.

The costs of a financial statement audit of Contractor's that do not have a federal award may be included in the indirect cost pool for a cost allocation plan or indirect cost proposal.

7. Contractor must prepare appropriate financial statements, including Schedule of Expenditures for Federal Awards (SEFA), if applicable.

8. The work papers and the audit reports shall be retained for a minimum of ten (10) years from the date of the final audit report, and longer if the independent auditor is notified in writing by the County to extend the retention period.
9. Audit work papers shall be made available upon request to the County and/or the State, and copies shall be made as reasonable and necessary.

XII. Special Reports

Contractor agrees to submit reports as stipulated by the Director or designee to the address listed below:

Department of Behavioral Health
Substance Use Disorder and Recovery Services Administration
658 E. Brier Dr, Suite 250
San Bernardino, CA 92415

XIII. Contract Performance Notification

- A. In the event of a problem or potential problem that will impact the quality or quantity of work or the level of performance under this Contract, Contractor shall provide notification within one (1) working day, in writing and by telephone, to DBH.
- B. Contractor shall notify DBH SUDRS Administration in writing of any change in mailing address within ten (10) calendar days of the address change.
- C. DBH will notify the Contractor within 30 days in the event of any new and/or changes to laws and/or regulations. The Contract Agreement will remain in effect for the duration of this Agreement unless modified through a written notification from the County.

XIV. Probationary Status

- A. In accordance with the Performance Article of this Agreement, the County may place Contractor on probationary status in an effort to allow the Contractor to correct deficiencies, improve practices, and receive technical assistance from the County.
- B. County shall give notice to Contractor of change to probationary status. The effective date of probationary status shall be five (5) business days from date of notice.
- C. The duration of probationary status is determined by the Director or designee(s).
- D. Contractor shall develop and implement a corrective action plan, to be approved by DBH, no later than ten (10) business days from date of notice to become compliant.
- E. Should the Contractor refuse to be placed on probationary status or comply with the corrective action plan within the designated timeframe, the County reserves the right to terminate this Agreement as outlined in the Duration and Termination Article.
- F. Placement on probationary status requires the Contractor disclose probationary status on any Request for Proposal responses to the County.
- G. County reserves the right to place Contractor on probationary status or to terminate this Agreement as outlined in the Duration and Termination Article.

XV. Duration and Termination

- A. The term of this Agreement shall be from May 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, inclusive.
- B. This Agreement may be terminated immediately by the Director at any time if:
 - 1. The appropriate office of the State of California indicates that this Agreement is not subject to reimbursement under law; or
 - 2. There are insufficient funds available to the County; or
 - 3. There is evidence of fraud or misuse of funds by Contractor; or
 - 4. There is an immediate threat to the health and safety of Medi-Cal beneficiaries; or
 - 5. Contractor is found not to be in compliance with any or all of the terms of the herein incorporated Articles of this Agreement or any other material terms of the Contract, including the corrective action plan.
 - 6. During the course of the administration of this Agreement, the County determines that the Contractor has made a material misstatement or misrepresentation, or that materially inaccurate information has been provided to the County, this Contract may be immediately terminated. If this Contract is terminated according to this provision, the County is entitled to pursue any available legal remedies.
- C. Either the Contractor or Director may terminate this Agreement at any time for any reason or no reason by serving thirty (30) days written notice upon the other party.
- D. This Agreement may be terminated at any time by the mutual written concurrence of both the Contractor and the Director.
- E. Contractor must immediately notify DBH SUDRS Administration when a facility operated by Contractor as part of this Agreement is sold or leased to another party. In the event a facility operated by Contractor as part of this Agreement is sold or leased to another party, the Director has the option to terminate this Agreement immediately.

XVI. Accountability: Revenue

- A. Total revenue collected pursuant to this Agreement from fees collected for services rendered and/or claims for reimbursement from the County cannot exceed the cost of services delivered by the Contractor. In no event shall the amount reimbursed exceed the cost of delivering services.
- B. Charges for services to either patients or other responsible persons shall be at actual costs.

XVII. State Monitoring

- A. Contractor agrees and acknowledges that DHCS shall conduct Post service Post payment and Post service Prepayment (PSPP) Utilization Reviews of DMC Contractors to determine whether the DMC services were provided in accordance with this agreement. DHCS shall issue the PSPP report to DBH with a copy to DMC Contractor.

- B. DHCS shall recover payments made if subsequent investigation uncovers evidence that the claim(s) should not have been paid, DMC-ODS services have been improperly utilized, and requirements were not met.
- C. All deficiencies identified by PSPP reports, whether or not a recovery of funds results, shall be corrected and the subcontractor that provided the services shall submit a DBH-approved corrective action plan (CAP) to DBH within 60 days of the date of the PSPP report.

XVIII. Patient/Client Billing

Contractor shall exercise diligence in billing and collecting fees, including the billing of other health insurance if applicable, from patients for services under this Agreement prior to utilizing County funding. Contractor agrees to cure transaction errors or deficiencies identified by the State or County.

A. Substance Use Disorder Programs

Client fees shall be charged for treatment services provided under the provisions of this Agreement based upon the client's financial ability to pay for service. Fees charged shall approximate estimated actual cost of providing services, and no person shall be excluded from receiving services based solely on lack of financial ability to make payment toward the cost of providing services.

B. Fees

The Director or designee shall approve the Contractor's fee assessment system, which shall describe how the Contractor charges fees and which must take into consideration the client's income and expenses. The fee system shall be in writing and shall be a matter of public record. In establishing fees to clients, a fee system shall be used which conforms to the following guidelines and criteria as prescribed in Section 11852.5 of the California Health and Safety Code:

1. The fee system shall be equitable.
2. The fee charged shall not exceed the actual cost of providing services.
3. The fee system shall consider the client's income and expenses.
4. The fee system shall be approved by the Director or designee.
5. To ensure an audit trail, Contractor shall maintain the following records:
 - a. Fee assessment schedules and collection records.
 - b. Documents in each client's file showing client's income and expenses, and how each was considered in determining fees.

C. Other Insurance Billing

Contractor must bill other health insurance companies and collect share of cost if client has been identified as having such in accordance with the State DMC billing manual and other applicable regulations, policies and procedures. Failure to follow said policies and procedures for billing may result in non-payment of services.

D. Liability for Payment

Contractor shall not hold beneficiaries liable for any of the following:

1. Contractor's debt, in the event of the entity's insolvency.
2. Covered services provided to the beneficiary, for which:
 - a. The Contractor is not reimbursed for services or
 - b. The Contractor does not pay an individual health care provider or health care agency for services furnished pursuant to a contractual, referral or other arrangement.

E. Cost Sharing

Any cost sharing imposed on the beneficiaries shall be in accordance with Chapter 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Sections 447.50 through 447.82.

XIX. Personnel

- A. Contractor shall furnish such qualified professional personnel prescribed by Title 9 of the California Code of Regulations as are required for the types of services Contractor shall perform, which services are described in such Addenda as may be attached hereto and/or in all memos, letters, or instruction given by the Director and/or Program Manager II or designee in the provision of any and all Substance Use Disorder programs. This includes any counselor or registrant providing intake, assessment of need for services, treatment or recovery planning, individual or group counseling to participants, patients, or residents in a DHCS licensed or certified program. Contractor shall ensure requirements set forth in DHCS' Certification Standards, including Personnel Practices, are followed.
- B. Contractor shall ensure the Staff Master is updated regularly for each service provider with the current employment and license/certification/registration status in order to bill for services and determine provider network capacity. Updates to the Staff Master shall be completed, including, but not limited to, the following events: new registration number obtained, licensure obtained, licensure renewed, and employment terminated. When updating the Staff Master, provider information shall include, but not limited to, the following: employee name; professional discipline; license, registration or certification number; National Provider Identifier (NPI) number and NPI taxonomy code; County's billing and transactional database system number; date of hire; and date of termination (when applicable).
- C. Contractor agrees to provide or has already provided information on former San Bernardino County administrative officials (as defined below) who are employed by or represent Contractor. The information provided includes a list of former County administrative officials who terminated County employment within the last five years and who are now officers, principals, partners, associates or members of the business. The information also includes the employment with or representation of Contractor. For purposes of this provision, "County administrative official" is defined as a member of the Board of Supervisors or such officer's staff, Chief Executive Officer or member of such officer's staff, County department or group head, assistant department or group head, or any employee in the Exempt Group, Management Unit or Safety Management Unit.

- D. Contractor shall comply with DBH's request(s) for provider information that is not readily available on the Staff Master form or the Management Information System as DBH is required by Federal regulation to update its paper and electronic provider directory, which includes detailed information regarding its contract agencies and behavioral health care providers, at least monthly.
- E. Contractor shall ensure its staff and contracted employees are not located outside of the United States when rendering services (telehealth or telephone) as neither the County nor State will reimburse for services.
- F. Contractor shall work collaboratively with the County to ensure all network providers are enrolled with DHCS as Medi-Cal providers.
- G. Statements of Disclosure
 - 1. Contractor shall submit a statement of disclosure of ownership, control and relationship information regarding its providers, managing employees, including agents and managing agents as required in Title 42 of the CA Code of Federal Regulations, Sections 455.104 and 455.105 for those having five percent (5%) or more ownership or control interest. This statement relates to the provision of information about provider business transactions and provider ownership and control and must be completed prior to entering into a contract, during certification or re-certification of the provider; within thirty-five (35) days after any change in ownership; annually; and/or upon request of the County. The disclosures to provide are as follows:
 - a. Name and address of any person (individual or corporation) with an ownership or control interest in Contractor's agency. 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 (if an individual);
 - c. Other tax identification number (if a corporation or other entity);
 - d. Whether the person (individual or corporation) with an ownership or control interest in the Contractor's agency is related to another person with ownership or control in the same or any other network provider of the Contractor 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; and
 - f. The name, address, date of birth and Social Security Number of any managing employee of the Contractor.
 - 2. Contractor shall also submit disclosures related to business transactions as follows:
 - a. Ownership of any subcontractor with whom the Contractor has had business transactions totaling more than twenty-five thousand dollars

- (\$25,000) during the twelve (12) month period ending on the date of the request; and
- b. Any significant business transactions between the Contractor and any wholly owned supplier, or between the Contractor and any subcontractor, during the five (5) year period ending on the date of a request by County.
3. Contractor shall submit disclosures related to persons convicted of crimes regarding the Contractor's management as follows:
- a. The identity of any person who is a managing employee, owner or person with controlling interest of the Contractor who has been convicted of a crime related to federal health care programs;
 - b. 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. Agent is described in 42 C.F.R. §455.101; and
 - c. The Contractor shall supply the disclosures before entering into a contract and at any time upon the County's request.
- H. Contractor shall confirm the identity of its providers, employees, DBH-funded network providers, contractors and any person with an ownership or controlling interest, or who is an agent or managing employee by developing and implementing a process to conduct a review of applicable federal databases in accordance with Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Section 455.436. In addition to any background check or Department of Justice clearance, the Contractor shall review and verify the following databases:
- 1. Pursuant to Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Section 455.410, all health care providers including all ordering or referring physicians or other professionals providing services, are required to be screened via the Social Security Administration's Death Master File to ensure new and current providers are not listed. Contractor shall conduct the review prior to hire and upon contract renewal (for contractor employees not hired at the time of contract commencement).
 - 2. National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) to ensure the provider has a NPI number, confirm the NPI number belongs to the provider, verify the accuracy of the providers' information and confirm the taxonomy code selected is correct for the discipline of the provider.
 - 3. List of Excluded Individuals/Entities and General Services Administration's System for Award Management (SAM) to ensure providers and Contractor administrative staff are not excluded and confirm provider eligibility. See the Licensing and Certification section of this Contract regarding exclusion checks requirements.
- I. Contractor shall obtain records from the Department of Justice of all convictions of persons offered employment or volunteers as specified in Penal Code Section 11105.3.
- J. Contractor shall inform DBH within twenty-four (24) hours or next business day of any allegations of sexual harassment, physical abuse, etc., committed by Contractor's employees against clients served under this Contract. Contractor shall report incident as

outlined in Notification of Unusual Occurrences or Incident/Injury Reports paragraph in the Administrative Procedures Article.

K. Iran Contracting Act

IRAN CONTRACTING ACT OF 2010, Public Contract Code sections 2200 et seq. (Applicable for all Contracts of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) or more) In accordance with Public Contract Code Section 2204(a), the Contractor certifies that at the time the Contract is signed, the Contractor signing the Contract is not identified on a list created pursuant to subdivision (b) of Public Contract Code Section 2203 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 contract, and ineligibility to bid on a contract for a period of three (3) years in accordance with Public Contract Code Section 2205.

L. Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000

In accordance with the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, the Contractor certifies that at the time the Contract is signed, the Contractor will remain in compliance with Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104). For access to the full text of the award term, go to: <http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grants-management/policies-regulations/additional-directives>.

The TVPA strictly prohibits any Contractor or Contractor employee from:

1. Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the duration of the Contract;
2. Procuring a commercial sex act during the duration of the Contract; and
3. Using forced labor in the performance of the Contract.

Any violation of the TVPA may result in payment withholding and/or a unilateral termination of this Contract without penalty in accordance with 2 CFR Part 175. The TVPA applies to Contractor and Contractor's employees and/or agents.

M. Executive Order N-6-22 Russia Sanctions

On March 4, 2022, Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-6-22 (the EO) regarding Economic Sanctions against Russia and Russian entities and individuals. "Economic Sanctions" refers to sanctions imposed by the U.S. government in response to Russia's actions in Ukraine (<https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/financial-sanctions/sanctions-programs-and-country-information/ukraine-russia-related-sanctions>), as well as any sanctions imposed under state law (<https://www.dqs.ca.gov/OLS/Ukraine-Russia>). The EO directs state agencies and their contractors (including by agreement or receipt of a grant) to terminate contracts with, and to refrain from entering any new contracts with, individuals or entities that are determined to be a target of Economic Sanctions. Accordingly, should it be determined that Contractor

is a target of Economic Sanctions or is conducting prohibited transactions with sanctioned individuals or entities, that shall be grounds for termination of this agreement. Contractor shall be provided advance written notice of such termination, allowing Contractor at least 30 calendar days to provide a written response. Termination shall be at the sole discretion of the County.

XX. 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. § 438.610(a)(1)].
 2. An individual or entity who is an affiliate, as defined in the Federal Acquisition Regulation at 48 CFR 2.101, of a person described in this section [42 C.F.R. § 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 in section 1128B(f) of the Social Security Act) under either Section 1128, 1128A, 1156, or 1842(j)(2) of the Social Security Act [42 C.F.R. §§ 438.214(d)(1), 438.610(b); 42 U.S.C. § 1320c-5].
- 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. § 1320a-7(b)(8)(A)(ii); 42 C.F.R. § 438.610(c)(1)].
 2. A subcontractor of the Contractor, as governed by 42 C.F.R. § 438.230. [42 C.F.R. § 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. § 438.610(c)(3)].
 4. An individual convicted of crimes described in section 1128(b)(8)(B) of the Act [42 C.F.R. § 438.808(b)(2)].
 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 Contract [42 C.F.R. § 438.610(c)(4)].
 6. 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. § 438.808(b)(3)].

- D. Non-compliance with this section of the contract by the Contractor requires DBH evaluate the current contract and may affect renewals or extensions.
- E. Contractor shall provide the County with written disclosure of any prohibited affiliation under this section of the contract by the Contractor or any of its subcontractors.
- F. Conflict of Interest
 - 1. Contractor shall implement a conflict-of-interest disclosure process for all employees that aligns with the applicable requirements in the DBH Conflict of Interest Policy. Conflict of interest disclosures shall be required at hire, annually, and 10 days from the date of a change in status by employee (i.e., external employment, affiliation and/or other personal or financial activity).
 - 2. Contractor shall comply with the conflict-of-interest safeguards described in 42 Code of Federal Regulations part 438.58 and the prohibitions described in section 1902(a)(4)(C) of the Act [42 C.F.R. § 438.3(f)(2)].
 - 3. Contractor shall not utilize in the performance of this Contract any County officer or employee or other appointed County official unless the employment, activity, or enterprise is required as a condition of the officer's or employee's regular County employment [Pub. Con. Code § 10410; 42 C.F.R. § 438.3(f)(2)].
 - a. Contractor shall submit documentation to the County of current and former County employees who may present a conflict of interest.
 - 4. Contractor shall ensure adherence to Hatch Act provisions (U.S.C. Title 5 Part III, Subpart F, Chapter 73, Subchapter III), which applies to any federally funded contracts and/or positions. These provisions prohibit certain on-duty and off-duty conduct, including political activities and actions (see U.S. Office of Special Counsel website for guidance on allowed and prohibited activities).

XXI. Licensing, Certification and Accreditation

- A. Contractor shall operate continuously throughout the term of this Agreement with all licenses, certifications and/or permits as are necessary to the performance hereunder. Failure to maintain a required license, certification, and/or permit may result in immediate termination of this Contract.
- B. Contractor shall inform DBH whether it has been accredited by a private independent accrediting entity [42 C.F.R. 438.332(a)]. If Contractor has received accreditation by a private independent accrediting entity, Contractor shall authorize the private independent accrediting entity to provide the County with a copy of its most recent accreditation review, including:
 - 1. Its accreditation status, survey type, and level (as applicable); and
 - 2. Accreditation results, including recommended actions or improvements, corrective action plans, and summaries of findings; and
 - 3. The expiration date of the accreditation [42 C.F.R. § 438.332(b)].
- C. Contractor shall ensure all service providers apply for, obtain and maintain the appropriate certification, licensure, registration or waiver prior to rendering services. Service providers

must work within their scope of practice and may not render and/or claim services without a valid certification, licensure, registration or waiver. Contractor shall develop and implement a policy and procedure for all applicable staff to notify Contractor of a change in licensure/certification/waiver status, and Contractor is responsible for notifying DBH SUDRS Administration of such change.

- D. Contractor shall comply with applicable provisions of the:
1. California Code of Regulations, Title 9, Division 4, Chapter 8 and Title 22, Sections 51341.1, 51490.1, 51516.1 and 51000 et. seq.;
 2. California Business and Professions Code, Division 2;
 3. California Health and Safety Code, Division 10.5, Part 2, Chapter 7.5;
 4. Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Part 1300, et. seq. and Title 42, Part 8;
 5. Drug Medi-Cal Certification Standards for Substance Abuse Clinics;
 6. Minimum Quality Drug Treatment Standards.
- E. Contractor shall develop and implement a documented process for continued employment of pre-licensed clinical therapist staff, who have not obtained licensure within six (6) years of their original date of registration. This process must be in accordance with DBH Registration and Licensure Requirements for Pre-Licensed Staff Policy (HR4012). Contractor shall be responsible for accepting, reviewing and determining whether to grant one (1) year extension(s) [up to a maximum of three (3) one-year extensions], to an employee who has not obtained licensure within six (6) years following the first California Board of Behavioral Health Sciences (BBS) registration receipt date. Prior to granting said extension, Contractor must ensure the pre-licensed staff are actively pursuing licensure, and that licensure can be obtained within the determined extension period. Contractor shall ensure all licensed and pre-licensed staff maintain valid Board registration and adhere to all applicable professional regulations, including – but not limited – clearance from ineligible/excluded status as described herein.
- Contractor approved extension letters shall be submitted to DBH Office of Compliance via email to Compliance_Questions@dbh.sbcounty.gov
- F. Contractor shall comply with the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General (OIG) requirements related to eligibility for participation in Federal and State health care programs as set forth in Executive Order 12549; Social Security Act, 42 U.S. Code, Section 1128 and 1320 a-7; Title 42 CFR, Parts 1001 and 1002, et al; and Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 14043.6 and 14123.
1. Ineligible Persons may include both entities and individuals and are defined as any individual or entity who:
 - a. Is currently excluded, suspended, debarred or otherwise ineligible to participate in the Federal and State health care programs; or
 - b. Has been convicted of a criminal offense related to the provision of health care items or services and has not been reinstated in the Federal and State health care programs after a period of exclusion, suspension, debarment,

or ineligibility.

2. Contractor shall review the organization and all its employees, subcontractors, agents, and physicians for eligibility against the United States General Services Administration's System for Award Management (SAM) and the OIG's List of Excluded Individuals/Entities (LEIE) respectively to ensure that Ineligible Persons are not employed or retained to provide services related to this Contract. Contractor shall conduct these reviews before hire of contract start date and then no less than once a month thereafter.
 - a. SAM can be accessed [at https://www.sam.gov/SAM/](https://www.sam.gov/SAM/)
 - b. LEIE can be accessed at <http://oig.hhs.gov/exclusions/index.asp>
3. If the Contractor receives Drug Medi-Cal reimbursement, Contractor shall review the organization and all its employees, subcontractors, agents and physicians for eligibility against the California Department of Health Care Services Suspended and Ineligible Provider (S&I) List to ensure that Ineligible Persons are not employed or retained to provide services related to this Contract. Contractor shall conduct this review before hire or contract start date and then no less than once a month thereafter.
 - a. S&I List can be accessed at: <https://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/SandILanding.aspx>.
4. Contractor shall certify or attest that no staff member, officer, director, partner or principal, or sub-contractor is "excluded" or "suspended" from any federal health care program, federally funded contract, state health care program or state funded contract. This certification shall be documented by completing the Attestation Regarding Ineligible/Excluded Persons (**ATTACHMENT II**) at time of the initial contract execution and annually thereafter. Contractor shall not certify or attest any excluded person working/contracting for its agency and acknowledges that the County shall not pay the Contractor for any excluded person. The Attestation Regarding Ineligible/Excluded Persons shall be submitted to the following program and address:

DBH Office of Compliance
550 Hospitality Lane, 1st Floor
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0075

Or send via email to: Compliance_Questions@dbh.sbcounty.gov
5. Contractor acknowledges that Ineligible Persons are precluded from employment and from providing Federal and State funded health care services by contract with the County.
6. Contractor shall have a policy regarding prohibition of employment of sanctioned or excluded employees that includes the requirement for employees to notify the Contractor should the employee become sanctioned or excluded by the OIG, General Services Administration (GSA), and/or the DHCS.
7. Contractor acknowledges any payment received for an excluded person may be

subject to recovery and/or considered an overpayment by DBH/DHCS and/or be the basis for other sanctions by DHCS.

8. Contractor shall immediately notify DBH SUDRS Administration should an employee become sanctioned or excluded by the OIG, GSA, and/or the DHCS.
9. If a contractor subcontracts or employs an excluded party, DBH has the right to withhold payments, disallow costs, or issue a CAP, as appropriate pursuant to HSC Code 11817.8(h).
10. Pursuant to HSC Section 11831.6 and 11831.7, licensed and/or certified alcoholism or drug abuse recovery and treatment facilities, owners, partners, directors, employees, and/or shareholders are prohibited from receiving anything of value for the referral of a person to a substance use disorder (SUD) treatment facility.

Any individual who solicits or receives remuneration in return for referring a patient to a recovery home, clinical treatment facility, or laboratory is subject to criminal penalties and imprisonment in accordance to Title 18 US Code Section 220.

XXII. Health Information System

- A. Should Contractor have a health information system, it shall maintain a system that collects, analyzes, integrates, and reports data (42 C.F.R. § 438.242(a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 9, § 1810.376.) The system shall provide information on areas including, but not limited to, utilization, claims, grievances, and appeals [42 C.F.R. § 438.242(a)]. Contractor shall comply with Section 6504(a) of the Affordable Care Act [42 C.F.R. § 438.242(b)(1)].
- B. Contractor's health information system shall, at a minimum:
 1. Collect data on beneficiary and Contractor characteristics as specified by the County, and on services furnished to beneficiaries as specified by the County; [42 C.F.R. § 438.242(b)(2)].
 2. Ensure that data received is accurate and complete by:
 - a. Verifying the accuracy and timeliness of reported data.
 - b. Screening the data for completeness, logic, and consistency.
 - c. Collecting service information in standardized formats to the extent feasible and appropriate.
- C. Collect and maintain sufficient beneficiary encounter data to identify the rendering provider, the service and beneficiary.
- D. Contractor shall make all collected data, such as beneficiary encounter data available to DBH and, upon request, to DHCS and/or CMS [42 C.F.R. § 438.242(b)(4)] in a HIPAA compliant and standardized format as instructed by DBH.

XXIII. Administrative Procedures

- A. Contractor agrees to adhere to all applicable provisions of:
 1. State Notices; and

2. County DBH Standard Practice Manual (SPM). Both the State Notices and the DBH SPM are included as a part of this Contract by reference.
- B. Contractor shall have a current administrative manual which includes: personnel policies and procedures, general operating procedures, service delivery policies, any required State or Federal notices (Deficit Reduction Act), and procedures for reporting unusual occurrences relating to health and safety issues.
- C. All written materials for potential beneficiaries and beneficiaries 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 beneficiaries or beneficiaries 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. 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 Attachment; and
 5. The beneficiary 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. 438.10(c)(6)].
- D. Advertising Requirements
- SB 434 adds Section 11831.9 to the Health and Safety Code (HSC) and adds Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 4097) to Part 1 of Division 4 of the Welfare and Institutions Code to address certain fraudulent marketing practices.
- SB541 prohibits providers from using false or misleading advertisements for their services and adds HSC, Section 11831.12, to require licensed SUD recovery or treatment facility and certified alcohol or other drug programs to provide authentic advertisements including their license and/or certification number and expiration dates.
- DHCS licensed SUD recovery or treatment facility and certified alcohol or other drug programs shall demonstrate compliance with HSC, Section 11831.9 and Section 11831.12.
- E. Contractor shall ensure its written materials are available in alternative formats, including large print, upon request of the potential beneficiary or beneficiary with disabilities at no cost. Large print means printed in a font size no smaller than 18 point [42 C.F.R. § 438.10(d)(3)].

F. Beneficiary Handbook

The Contractor shall utilize the DBH beneficiary handbook, and shall provide each beneficiary the DBH beneficiary handbook, within a reasonable time after receiving notice of the beneficiary's enrollment. The handbook serves as the summary of benefits and coverage described in 45 CFR § 147.200(a). Contractor shall provide the required information in this section to each beneficiary when first required to enroll in the Contractor's SUD program.

G. Consistency

For consistency in the information provided to beneficiaries, the Contractor shall use:

1. State and County developed definitions for managed care terminology, including appeal, emergency medical condition, emergency services, excluded services, grievance, health insurance, hospitalization, medically necessary, network, non-participating provider, physician services, plan, preauthorization, participating provider, prescription drugs, primary care physician, primary care provider, provider, rehabilitation services, and urgent care.
2. State and County developed beneficiary handbooks and beneficiary notices.

H. Credentialing and Re-Credentialing

Contractor shall adhere to DBH's credentialing and re-credentialing policy that addresses behavioral and substance use disorders.

I. Provider Directory

Contractor shall ensure that staff is knowledgeable and compliant with State and DBH policy/procedure regarding DBH Provider Directories. Contractor agrees to demonstrate staff know how to access the DBH Provider Directory.

J. Beneficiary Rights and Protections

1. Contractor shall ensure staff is knowledgeable of and compliant with applicable federal and state laws and DBH policy/procedure pertaining to beneficiary rights by ensuring its employees and contracted providers observe and protect those rights, which include the following:
 - a. Receive information regarding DBH's PIHP and plan in accordance with 42 CFR §438.10.
 - b. Be treated with respect and with due consideration for his or her dignity and privacy.
 - c. Receive information on available treatment options and alternatives, presented in a manner appropriate to the beneficiary's condition and ability to understand.
 - d. Participate in decisions regarding his or her health care, including the right to refuse treatment.
 - e. Be free from any form of restraint or seclusion used as a means of coercion, discipline, convenience or retaliation, as specified in other Federal

regulations on the use of restraints and seclusion.

- f. If the privacy rule, as set forth in 45 CFR parts 160 and 164 subparts A and E, applies, request and receive a copy of his or her medical records, and request that they be amended or corrected, as specified in 45 CFR § 164.524 and 164.526.

2. The Contractor shall ensure that its beneficiaries have the right to be furnished health care services in accordance with 42 CFR §§438.206 through 438.210.
3. The Contractor shall ensure that each beneficiary is free to exercise his or her rights, and that the exercise of those rights does not adversely affect the way DBH and its network providers treat the beneficiary.

K. Provider-Beneficiary Communications

Contractor acting within the lawful scope of practice may advise or advocate on behalf of a beneficiary who is his or her patient, for the following:

1. The beneficiary's health status, medical care, or treatment options, including any alternative treatment that may be self-administered.
2. Any information the beneficiary needs to decide among all relevant treatment options.
3. The risks, benefits, and consequences of treatment or non-treatment.
4. The beneficiary's right to participate in decisions regarding his or her health care, including the right to refuse treatment.
5. To express preferences about future treatment decisions.

L. Grievance and Appeals System

Contractor shall ensure staff is knowledgeable of and compliant with State law and DBH policy/procedure regarding beneficiary problem resolution, the grievance and appeal system, including timing, procedures, handling, resolution and notification, expedited resolution, recordkeeping, reversed appeal resolutions and continued benefits while appeals and state fair hearings are pending, in accordance with 42 CFR §§438.228, 438.402, 438.406, 438.408, 438.410, 438.416, 438.420, and 438.424.

M. Notice of Adverse Benefit Determination Procedures

Contractor shall ensure staff is knowledgeable of and compliant with State law and DBH policy/procedure regarding timely and adequate Notice of Adverse Benefit Determination (NOABD) as outlined in 42 CFR §§438.10, 438.210, 438.402, 438.404, 438.406.

- N. If a dispute arises between the parties to this Agreement concerning the interpretation of any State Notice or a policy/procedure within the DBH SPM, the parties agree to meet with the Director to attempt to resolve the dispute.

- O. State Notices shall take precedence in the event of conflict with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

- P. In the event the County determines that service is unsatisfactory, or in the event of any other dispute, claim, question or disagreement arising from or relating to this Contract or

breach thereof, the parties hereto shall use their best efforts to settle the dispute, claim, question or disagreement. To this effect, they shall consult and negotiate with each other in good faith and, recognizing their mutual interests, attempt to reach a just and equitable solution that is satisfactory to both parties.

Q. Network Adequacy Standards

Effective July 1, 2018, Contractor shall submit to DBH 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 no less frequently than the following:

1. At the time it enters into this Contract with the County;
2. On an annual basis; and
3. At any time there has been a significant change, as defined by DBH, 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 beneficiaries;
 - b. Changes in geographic service area; and
 - c. Details regarding the change and Contractor's plans to ensure beneficiaries continue to have access to adequate services and providers.

R. Notification of Unusual Occurrences or Incident/Injury Reports

1. Contractor shall notify DBH SUDRS Administration, within twenty-four (24) hours or next business day, of any unusual incident(s) or event(s) that occur while providing services under this Contract, which may result in reputational harm to either the Contractor or the County. Notice shall be made to the assigned contract oversight DBH Program Manager with a follow-up call to the applicable Deputy Director.
 - a. Immediate notification shall be provided to DBH in the event of serious injury or death to a client [How to Report an Incident (SFT06-7017)]. Information is accessible at:
<https://wp.sbcounty.gov/dbh/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/SFT7017.pdf>
2. Contractor shall submit a written report to DBH within three (3) business days of occurrence on DBH Unusual Occurrence/Incident Report form (ATTACHMENT V) or on Contractor's own form preapproved by DBH Program Manager or designee.
3. If Contractor is required to report occurrences, incidents or injuries as part of licensing requirements, Contractor shall provide DBH Program Manager or designee with a copy of report submitted to applicable State agency.
4. Written reports shall not be made via email unless encryption is used.

S. Copyright

County shall have a royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable license to publish, disclose, copy, translate, and otherwise use, copyright or patent, now and hereafter, all reports, studies, information, data, statistics, forms, designs, plans, procedures, systems, and any other materials or properties developed under this Contract including those covered by copyright, and reserves the right to authorize others to use or reproduce such material. All such materials developed under the terms of this Contract shall acknowledge San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health as the funding agency and Contractor as the creator of the publication. No such materials or properties produced in whole or in part under this Contract shall be subject to private use, copyright or patent right by Contractor in the United States or in any other country without the express written consent of the County. Copies of all educational and training materials, curricula, audio/visual aids, printed material, and periodicals, assembled pursuant to this Contract must be filed with and approved by the County prior to publication. Contractor shall receive written permission from DBH prior to publication of said training materials.

T. Release of Information

No news releases, advertisements, public announcements or photographs arising out of this Contract or Contractor's relationship with the County may be made or used without prior written approval of DBH.

U. Ownership of Documents

All documents, data, products, graphics, computer programs and reports prepared by Contractor or subcontractors pursuant to the Agreement shall be considered property of the County upon payment for services. All such items shall be delivered to DBH at the completion of work under the Agreement, subject to the requirements of the Duration and Termination Article. Unless otherwise directed by DBH, Contractor may retain copies of such items.

V. Equipment and Other Property

All equipment, materials, supplies or property of any kind (including vehicles, publications, copyrights, etc.) purchased with funds received under the terms of this Agreement which has a life expectancy of one (1) year or more shall be the property of DBH, unless mandated otherwise by Funding Source, and shall be subject to the provisions of this paragraph. The disposition of equipment or property of any kind shall be determined by DBH when the Agreement is terminated. Additional terms are as follows:

1. The purchase of any furniture or equipment which was not included in Contractor's approved budget, shall require the prior written approval of DBH, and shall fulfill the provisions of this Agreement which are appropriate and directly related to Contractor's services or activities under the terms of the Agreement. DBH may refuse reimbursement for any cost resulting from such items purchased, which are incurred by Contractor, if prior written approval has not been obtained from DBH.
2. Before equipment purchases made by Contractor are reimbursed by DBH, Contractor must submit paid vendor receipts identifying the purchase price,

description of the item, serial numbers, model number and location where equipment will be used during the term of this Agreement.

3. All equipment purchased/reimbursed with funds from this Agreement shall only be used for performance of this Agreement.
4. Assets purchased with Medi-Cal Federal Financial Participation (FFP) funds shall be capitalized and expensed according to Medi-Cal (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) regulation.
5. Contractor shall submit an inventory of equipment purchased under the terms of this Agreement as part of the monthly activity report for the month in which the equipment is purchased. Contractor must also maintain an inventory of equipment purchased that, at a minimum, includes the description of the property, serial number or other identification number, source of funding, title holder, acquisition date, cost of the equipment, location, use and condition of the property, and ultimate disposition data. A physical inventory of the property must be reconciled annually. Equipment should be adequately maintained and a control system in place to prevent loss, damage, or theft. Equipment with cost exceeding County's capitalization threshold of \$5,000 must be depreciated.
6. Upon termination of this Agreement, Contractor will provide a final inventory to DBH and shall at that time query DBH as to requirements, including the manner and method in returning equipment to DBH. Final disposition of such equipment shall be in accordance with instructions from DBH.

W. SUDRS Information and Guidelines

1. Contractor agrees to adhere to all memos, letters, or instruction given by the Director, Deputy Director, Program Manager II or designee(s) in the provision of any and all Substance Use Disorder and Recovery Services programs. Contractor acknowledges full understanding of the provisions referenced in any memos, letters, or instruction given and agrees to operate the respective substance use disorder and recovery services programs in accordance with the provisions of such information and the provisions of this Contract. At the option of the County, changes may be made during the Contract period. Such changes, when made, will be binding on the Contractor.

- X. Contractor agrees to and shall comply with all requirements and procedures established by the State, County, and Federal Governments, including those pertaining to Quality Management Program and Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement Program regarding ongoing quality assessment and performance improvement, standard performance measures, performance improvement projects, monitoring activities, continuity and coordination of care, under/overutilization of services, beneficiary satisfaction and Quality Management Work Plan, which may require submission of periodic reports to DBH for coordination, contract compliance, and quality assurance as well as participation in reviews conducted by DHCS of DBH and its SUDRS contract agencies.

Y. Travel

Contractor shall adhere to the County's Travel Management Policy (8-02) when travel is pursuant to this Agreement and for which reimbursement is sought from the County. In addition, Contractor shall, to the fullest extent practicable, utilize local transportation services, including but not limited to Ontario Airport, for all such travel.

XXIV. Laws and Regulations

A. Contractor agrees to comply with all relevant Federal and State laws and regulations, including, but not limited to those listed below, inclusive of future revisions, and comply with all applicable provisions of:

1. Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Sections 1301.01-1301.93
2. Code of Federal Regulations, Title 42, Part 2
3. Code of Federal Regulations, Title 42, Part 8
4. Code of Federal Regulations, Title 45, Sections 96.30-96.33 and 96.120-96.137
5. California Code of Regulations, Title 9
6. California Code of Regulations, Title 22
7. California Health and Safety Code, Division 10.5
8. Government Code, Section 16367.8
9. Government Code, Article 7, Chapter 1, Division 2, Title 5
10. Government Code, Title 2, Division 4, Part 2, Chapter 2, Article 1.7
11. State Administrative Manual, Chapter 7200 and
12. DHCS or applicable State agency(ies) Negotiated Net Amount and Drug Medi-Cal Contract.
13. United States Code, Title 5, Sections 1501-1508, also known as the Hatch Act
14. United States Code, Title 42, Chapter 6A, Subchapter XVII, Part B, Subpart ii, commencing with section 300x-21
15. Section 1557 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act

B. Health and Safety

1. Contractor shall comply with all applicable State and local health and safety requirements and clearances, for each site where program services are provided under the terms of the Contract.
 - a. Any space owned, leased or operated by the Contractor and used for services or staff must meet local fire codes.
 - b. The physical plant of any site owned, leased or operated by the Contractor and used for services or staff is clean, sanitary and in good repair.

2. In addition to the aforementioned protection of IIHI, PHI and e-PHI, the County requires Contractor to adhere to the Protection Of Personally Identifiable Information (PII) and Medi-Cal PII, and in accordance with 42 C.F.R. §2.13 Confidentiality Restrictions and Safeguards and HIPAA Privacy and Security rules. PII includes any information that can be used to search for or identify individuals such as but not limited to name, social security number or date of birth. Whereas Medi-Cal PII is the information that is directly obtained in the course of performing an administrative function on behalf of Medi-Cal, such as determining or verifying eligibility that can be used alone or in conjunction with any other information to identify an individual.
3. Disclosure of PHI, including acknowledgement of participation or referral to/from Part 2 services is prohibited unless a valid client authorization (also referred to as "consent" of disclosure) per 42 CFR §2.31. Contractor shall ensure disclosure without client authorization/consent occurs only for medical emergencies, research, and/or audit and evaluation, as specified under 42 CFR §2.51, §2.52. §2.53, respectively.
4. Contractor shall comply with 42 C.F.R. §2.13 Confidentiality Restrictions and Safeguards and §2.16 Security for Records and the HIPAA Privacy and Security Rules, which includes but is not limited to implementing administrative, physical and technical safeguards that reasonably protect the confidentiality, integrity and availability of PHI, PII, IIHI, and e-PHI; implementing and providing a copy to DBH of reasonable and appropriate written policies and procedures to comply with the standards; conducting a risk analysis regarding the potential risks and vulnerabilities of the confidentiality, integrity and availability of PHI, PII, IIHI, and e-PHI, conducting privacy and security awareness and training at least annually and retain training records for six (6) years, and limiting access to those persons, who have a business need. Any disclosure made under 42 C.F.R. Part 2 must be limited to that information which is necessary to carry out the purpose of the disclosure.
5. Violations of privacy and security requirements as specified under 42 CFR Part 2 may be subject to criminal penalty under 42 U.S.C. 290 dd-2(f) and may be subject to fines in accordance with Title 18 of the U.S.C.
6. Contractor shall comply with the Data Security Requirements set forth by the County as referenced in **Attachment III**.
7. Reporting of Improper Access, Use or Disclosure or Breach
Contractor shall report to DBH Office of Compliance any unauthorized use, access or disclosure of unsecured Protected Health Information or any other security incident with respect to Protected Health Information no later than one (1) business day upon the discovery of a potential breach consistent with the regulations promulgated under HITECH by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, 45 CFR Part 164, Subpart D. Upon discovery of the potential breach, the Contractor shall complete the following actions:

- a. Notify DBH Office of Compliance in writing, by mail, fax, or electronically, of such incident no later than one (1) business day and provide DBH Office of Compliance with the following information to include but not limited to:
 - i. Date the potential breach occurred;
 - ii. Date the potential breach was discovered;
 - iii. Number of staff, employees, subcontractors, agents or other third parties and the titles of each person allegedly involved;
 - iv. Number of potentially affected patients/clients; and
 - v. Description of how the potential breach allegedly occurred.
- b. Provide an update of applicable information to the extent known at that time without reasonable delay and in no case later than three (3) calendar days of discovery of the potential breach.
- c. Provide completed risk assessment and investigation documentation to the DBH Office of Compliance within ten (10) calendar days of discovery of the potential breach with decision whether a breach has occurred, including the following information:
 - i. The nature and extent of the PHI involved, including the types of identifiers and likelihood of re-identification;
 - ii. The unauthorized person who used PHI or to whom it was made;
 - iii. Whether the PHI was actually acquired or viewed; and
 - iv. The extent to which the risk to PHI has been mitigated.
- d. Contractor is responsible for notifying the client and for any associated costs that are not reimbursable under this Contract, if a breach has occurred. Contractor must provide the client notification letter to DBH for review and approval prior to sending to the affected client(s).
- e. Make available to the County and governing State and Federal agencies in a time and manner designated by the County or governing State and Federal agencies, any policies, procedures, internal practices and records relating to a potential breach for the purposes of audit or should the County reserve the right to conduct its own investigation and analysis.

F. Program Integrity Requirements

1. General Requirement

Pursuant to Title 42 C.F.R. Section 438.608, Contractor must have administrative and management arrangements or procedures, including a mandatory compliance plan, that are designed to guard against fraud and abuse.

- a. If Contractor identifies an issue or receives notification of a complaint concerning an incident of possible fraud or abuse, the Contractor shall conduct an internal investigation to determine the validity of the issue/complaint and develop and implement corrective action if needed.
- b. 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 DBH Office of Compliance for investigation, review and/or disposition.

- c. Contractor shall develop a method to verify whether services were actually furnished to beneficiaries and demonstrate the results to DBH.
- d. Contractor acknowledges the County may suspend payments, at the direction of DHCS, if DHCS determines there is a credible allegation of fraud in accordance with 42 CFR 455.23.

2. Compliance Program

DBH 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 either adopt DBH's Compliance Plan/Program or establish its own Compliance/Program and provide documentation to DBH 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 Contactor'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 DBH Policies and Procedures relating to the Compliance Program or develop its own compliance related policies and procedures.

- i. 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.
- ii. 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 DBH's Compliance Plan. Should Contractor develop its own Plan, Contractor shall submit the Plan prior to implementation for review and approval to:

DBH Office of Compliance
550 Hospitality Lane, 1st Floor
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0075

Or send via email to: Compliance_Questions@dbh.sbcounty.gov.

c. Code of Conduct

Contractor shall either adopt the DBH Code of Conduct or develop its own Code of Conduct.

- i. Should the Contractor develop its own Code of Conduct, Contractor shall submit the Code prior to implementation to the following DBH Program for review and approval:

DBH Office of Compliance
550 Hospitality Lane, 1st Floor
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0075

Or send via email to: Compliance_Questions@dbh.sbcounty.gov.

- ii. 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 and provide DBH an acknowledgement form signed and dated by a Contractor representative or designee.

- iii. Pursuant to HSC Section 11831.6 and 11831.7, licensed and/or certified alcoholism or drug abuse recovery and treatment facilities, owners, partners, directors, employees, and/or shareholders are prohibited from receiving anything of value for the referral of a person to a substance use disorder (SUD) treatment facility.

Any individual who solicits or receives remuneration in return for referring a patient to a recovery home, clinical treatment facility, or laboratory is subject to criminal penalties and imprisonment in accordance to Title 18 US Code Section 220.

d. Excluded/Ineligible Persons

Contractor shall comply with Licensing, Certification and Accreditation Article in this Contract related to excluded and ineligible status in Federal and State health care programs.

- e. Contractor shall ensure all workforce members adhere to code of conduct requirements as specified under CCR Title 9 Section 9846 and 13060; DHCS Certification Standards 1320 – Program Code of Conduct; and DBH Code of Professional Conduct Policy (ADS060202).

f. 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.

- i. Contractor shall take reasonable precaution 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 DBH'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.
- ii. Contractor shall not submit false, fraudulent, inaccurate or fictitious claims for payment or reimbursement of any kind.
- iii. 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.
- iv. 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.
- v. Contractor shall ensure all employees/service providers maintain current licensure/credential/registration status as required by the respective licensing Board or certifying organization and Title 9 of the California Code of Regulations.
- vi. Should Contractor identify improper procedures, actions or circumstances, including fraud/waste/abuse and/or systemic issue(s), Contractor shall take prompt steps to correct said problem(s). Contractor shall report to DBH Office of Compliance and Fiscal Administration any overpayments discovered as a result of such problems no later than five (5) business days from the date of discovery, with the appropriate documentation, and a thorough explanation of the reason for the overpayment. Prompt mitigation, corrective action and reporting shall be in accordance with the DBH Overpayment Policy (COM0954).

g. Response to Detected Offenses

Contractor shall respond to and correct detected healthcare program offenses relating to this Contract promptly. Contractor shall be responsible for developing corrective action initiatives for offenses to mitigate the potential for recurrence.

h. Training

i. Compliance

Contractor is responsible for ensuring its Compliance Officer attends effective training and education related to compliance, including but not limited to, seven 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 DBH Compliance trainings, as offered and available.

ii. Drug Medi-Cal (DMC)

Contractor shall attend training DBH provides regarding Title 22 regulations and DMC requirements at least once annually. Attendance at any of the annual trainings offered by DHCS satisfies the DMC requirement.

i. 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 DBH policies and procedures as guidelines when enforcing compliance standards.

j. Communication

Contractor shall establish and maintain effective lines of communication between its Compliance Program and DBH's Compliance Officer. Contractor's employees may use Contractor's approved Compliance Hotline or DBH's Compliance Hotline (800) 398-9736 to report fraud, waste, abuse or unethical practices.

k. Subpoena

In the event that a subpoena or other legal process commenced by a third-party in any way concerning the Services provided under this Contract is served upon Contractor or County, such party agrees to notify the other party in the most expeditious fashion possible following receipt of such subpoena or other legal process. Contractor and County further agree to cooperate with the other party in any lawful effort by such other party to contest the legal validity of such subpoena or other legal process commenced by a third-party as may be reasonably required and at the expense of the party to whom the legal process is directed, except as otherwise provided herein in connection with defense obligations by Contractor for County.

l. Overpayment

Contractor shall adhere to DBH's policy/procedure regarding the immediate reporting, return within 60 calendar days and timely notification of the reason for an overpayment.

- m. In accordance with the Termination paragraph 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 this Compliance paragraph. At the County's sole discretion, Contractor may be allowed up to thirty (30) days for corrective action.

G. Sex Offender Requirements

Contractor shall ensure client registration protocols for non-DBH referrals include, a screening process to ensure clients ever convicted of a sex offense against a minor or currently registered as a sex offender with violations of CA Penal Code (PC) § 208 or 208.5, are not accepting into housing or treatment in facilities within one-half (1/2) mile (2640 feet) of any school, including any or all of kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, as required by PC § 3003, subdivision (g). Contractor shall obtain criminal history information for any client residing longer than twenty-four (24) hours, prior to rendering services.

XXV. Patients' Rights

Contractor shall take all appropriate steps to fully protect patients' rights, as specified in Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 5325 et. seq.; Title 9 California Code of Regulations (CCR), Sections 861, 862, 883, 884; and Title 22 CCR, Sections 72453 and 72527.

XXVI. Confidentiality

Contractor agrees to comply with confidentiality requirements contained in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), commencing with Subchapter C; 42 Code of Federal Regulations Part 2; and all State and Federal statutes and regulations regarding confidentiality, including but not limited to applicable provisions of Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 5328 et. seq. and 14100.2; Section 11812 of the Health and Safety Code; and Title 22, California Code of Regulations Section 51009. Contractor is aware that criminal penalties may be imposed for a violation of these confidentiality requirements.

- A. Contractor and its employees, agents or subcontractors shall protect from unauthorized disclosure of PII or PHI concerning persons receiving services or being referred for services related to this agreement.
- B. Contractor shall have all employees acknowledge an Oath of Confidentiality mirroring that of DBH's, including confidentiality and disclosure requirements, as well as sanctions related to non-compliance. Contractor shall have all employees sign acknowledgement of the Oath on an annual basis. Said confidentiality statements must be kept for inspection for a period of six (6) years following contract termination.
- C. Contractor shall not use or disclose PHI other than as permitted or required by law.
- D. Contractor shall provide patients with a notice of Federal confidentiality requirements, as specified under Admission Policies, Paragraph C.

XXVII. Admission Policies

- A. Contractor shall develop patient/client admission policies, which are in writing and available to the public.

- B. Contractor's admission policies shall adhere to policies that are compatible with Department of Behavioral Health service priorities, and Contractor shall admit clients according to procedures and time frames established by DBH.
- C. Contractor is prohibited from enrollment discrimination and shall adhere to the following:
 - 1. Accept individuals eligible for enrollment;
 - 2. Mandatory enrollment;
 - 3. Shall not, based on health status or need for health care services, discriminate against individuals eligible to enroll;
 - 4. Shall not discriminate against individuals eligible to enroll based on race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability.
- D. If Contractor is found not to be in compliance with the terms of Admission Policies Article, this Agreement may be subject to termination.

XXVIII. Choice of Network Provider

DBH and Contractor shall allow each beneficiary to choose his or her network provider to the extent possible and appropriate.

XXIX. Medical Records/Protected Health Information

- A. Contractor agrees to maintain and retain medical records according to the following:
 - 1. The minimum maintenance requirement of medical records is:
 - a. The information contained in the medical record shall be confidential and shall be disclosed only to authorized persons in accordance to local, State and Federal laws.
 - b. Documents contained in the medical record shall be written legibly in ink or typewritten, be capable of being photocopied and shall be kept for all clients accepted for care or admitted, if applicable.
 - c. If the medical record is electronic, the Contractor shall make the computerized records accessible for the County's review.
 - 2. The minimum legal requirement for the retention of medical records is:
 - a. For adults and emancipated minors, ten (10) years following discharge (last date of service), contract end date or completion date of any audit, whichever is later).
 - b. For unemancipated minors, a minimum of seven (7) years after they have attained the age of 18, but in no event less than ten (10) years following discharge (last date of service), contract end date or completion date of any audit, whichever is later).
 - c. County shall be informed within three (3) business days, in writing, if client medical records are defaced or destroyed prior to the expiration of the required retention period.

- B. Should patient/client records be misplaced and cannot be located after the Contractor has performed due diligence, the Contractor shall report to DBH as a possible breach of PHI in violation of HIPAA and 42 CFR Part 2. Should the County and Contractor determine the chart cannot be located, all billable services shall be disallowed/rejected.
- C. Contractor shall ensure that all patient/client records are stored in a secure manner and access to records is limited to those employees of Contractor who have a business need. Security and access of records shall occur at all times, during and after business hours.
- D. Contractor agrees to furnish duly authorized representatives from the County and the State access to patient/client records.
- E. The IIHI or PHI under this Contract shall be and remain the property of the County. The Contractor agrees that it acquires no title or rights to any of the types of client information.
- F. The County shall store the medical records for all the Contractor's County funded clients when a Contract ends its designated term, a Contract is terminated, a Contractor relinquishes its contracts or if the Contractor ceases operations.
 - 1. Contractor shall deliver to DBH all data, reports, records and other such information and materials (in electronic or hard copy format) pertaining to the medical 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.
 - 2. Contractor shall be responsible for the boxing, indexing and delivery of any and all records that will be stored by DBH Medical Records Unit. Contractor shall arrange for delivery of any and all records to DBH Medical Records Unit within seven (7) calendar days (this may be extended to thirty (30) calendar days with approval of DBH) of cessation of business operations.
 - 3. Should the Contractor fail to relinquish the medical records to the County, the County shall report the Contractor and its qualified professional personnel to the applicable licensing or certifying board(s).
 - 4. Contractor shall maintain responsibility for the medical records of non-county funded clients.

XXX. Transfer of Care

- A. Prior to the termination or expiration of this Contract, and upon request by the County, the Contractor shall assist the County in the orderly transfer of behavioral health care for beneficiaries in San Bernardino County. In doing this, the Contractor shall make available to DBH copies of medical records and any other pertinent information, including information maintained by any subcontractor that is necessary for efficient case management of beneficiaries. Under no circumstances will the costs for reproduction of records to the County from the Contractor be the responsibility of the client.
- B. Transfer of care includes continued services to beneficiaries (42 CFR §438.62).
- C. The State shall arrange for Medicaid services to be provided without delay to any Medicaid beneficiary of DBH, if the Agreement between State and DBH is terminated.

- D. Contractor shall adhere to the County's transition of care policy to ensure continued access to services during a transition from fee-for-service (FFS) to Contractor or transition from one Contractor to another when a beneficiary, in the absence of continued services, would suffer serious detriment to their health or be at risk of hospitalization or institutionalization.
- E. The State shall make its transition of care policy publicly available and provide instructions on how beneficiaries and potential beneficiaries access continued services upon transition. At a minimum, DBH and Contractor shall provide the transition of care policy to beneficiaries and potential beneficiaries in the beneficiary handbook and notices.

XXXI. Quality Assurance/Utilization Review

- A. Contractor agrees for the County to have a monitoring system in effect to evaluate the performance of the Contractor.
- B. Contractor agrees to be in compliance with the Laws and Regulations Article of this Contract.
- C. Contractor agrees to implement a Quality Improvement Program as part of program operations. This program will be responsible for monitoring documentation, quality improvement and quality care issues. Contractor will submit its quality improvement plan to DBH SUDRS Administration on an annual basis, and any tools/documents used to evaluate Contractor's documentation, quality of care and the quality improvement process.
- D. When quality of care documentation or issues are found to exist by DBH, Contractor shall submit a plan of correction to be approved by DBH SUDRS Administration.
- E. Contractor agrees to be part of the County Quality Improvement planning process through the annual submission of Quality Improvement Outcomes in County identified areas.
- F. County shall establish standards and implement processes for Contractor that will support understanding of, compliance with, documentation standards set forth by the State. The County has the right to monitor performance so that the documentation of care provided will satisfy the requirements set forth. The documentation standards for beneficiary care are minimum standards to support claims for the delivery of behavioral health services. All documentation shall be addressed in the beneficiary record.

XXXII. Independent Contractor Status

Contractor understands and agrees that the services performed hereunder by its officers, agents, employees, or contracting persons or entities are performed in an independent capacity and not in the capacity of officers, agents or employees of the County.

All personnel, supplies, equipment, furniture, quarters, and operating expenses of any kind required for the performance of this Contract shall be provided by Contractor.

XXXIII. Subcontractor Status

- A. If Contractor intends to subcontract any part of the services provided under this Contract to an individual, company, firm, corporation, partnership or other organization, not in the employment of or owned by Contractor who is performing services on behalf of Contractor under the Contract or under a separate contract with or on behalf of Contractor, Contractor

must submit a written Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with that agency or agencies with original signatures to DBH. The MOU must clearly define the following:

1. The name of the subcontracting agency.
 2. The amount (units, minutes, etc.) and types of services to be rendered under the MOU.
 3. The amount of funding to be paid to the subcontracting agency.
 4. The subcontracting agency's role and responsibilities as it relates to this Contract.
 5. A detailed description of the methods by which the Contractor will insure that all subcontracting agencies meet the monitoring requirements associated with funding regulations.
 6. A budget sheet outlining how the subcontracting agency will spend the allocation.
 7. Additionally, each MOU shall contain the following requirements:
 - a. Subcontractor shall comply with the Right to Monitor and Audit Performance and Records requirements, as referenced in the Performance Article.
 - b. Subcontractor agrees to comply with Personnel Article related to the review of applicable Federal databases in accordance with Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Section 455.436, and applicable professional disciplines' and licensing and/or certifying boards' code of ethics and conduct.
 - c. Subcontractor shall operate continuously throughout the term of the MOU with all licenses, certifications, and/or permits as are necessary to perform services and comply with Licensing, Certification, and Accreditation Article related to excluded and ineligible status.
 - d. Subcontractor agrees to perform work under this MOU in compliance with confidentiality requirements, as referenced in the Confidentiality and Laws and Regulations Articles.
 - e. MOU is governed by, and construed in accordance with, all laws and regulations, and all contractual obligations of the Contractor under the primary contract.
 - f. Subcontractor's delegated activities and reporting responsibilities follow the Contractor's obligations in the primary contract.
 - g. Subcontractor shall be knowledgeable in and adhere to primary contractor's program integrity requirements and compliance program, as referenced in the Laws and Regulations Article.
 - h. Subcontractor agrees to not engage in unlawful discriminatory practices, as referenced in the Nondiscrimination Article.
- B. Any subcontracting agency must be approved in writing by DBH and shall be subject to all applicable provisions of this Contract. The Contractor will be fully responsible for the

performance, duties and obligations of a subcontracting agency, including the determination of the subcontractor selected and the ability to comply with the requirements of this Contract. DBH will not reimburse contractor or subcontractor for any expenses rendered without DBH approval of MOU in writing in the fiscal year the subcontracting services started.

- C. At DBH's request, Contractor shall provide information regarding the subcontractor's qualifications and a listing of a subcontractor's key personnel including, if requested by DBH, resumes of proposed subcontractor personnel.
- D. Contractor shall remain directly responsible to DBH for its subcontractors and shall indemnify the County for the actions or omissions of its subcontractors under the terms and conditions specified in Indemnification and Insurance Article.
- E. Ineligible Persons
Contractor shall adhere to Prohibited Affiliations and Licensing, Certification and Accreditation Articles regarding Ineligible Persons or Excluded Parties for its subcontractors.
- F. Upon expiration or termination of this Contract for any reason, DBH will have the right to enter into direct Contracts with any of the Subcontractors. Contractor agrees that its arrangements with Subcontractors will not prohibit or restrict such Subcontractors from entering into direct Contracts with DBH.

XXXIV. Attorney Costs and Fees

If any legal action is instituted to enforce any party's rights hereunder, each party shall bear its own costs and attorneys' fees, regardless of who is the prevailing party. This paragraph shall not apply to those costs and attorney fees directly arising from a third-party legal action against a party hereto and payable under Indemnification and Insurance Requirements.

XXXV. Indemnification and Insurance

A. Indemnification

Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend (with counsel reasonably approved by the County) and hold harmless the County and its authorized officers, employees, agents and volunteers from any and all claims, actions, losses, damages, and/or liability arising out of this Contract from any cause whatsoever, including the acts, errors or omissions of any person and for any costs or expenses incurred by the County on account of any claim except where such indemnification is prohibited by law. This indemnification provision shall apply regardless of the existence or degree of fault of indemnitees. The Contractor's indemnification obligation applies to the County's "active" as well as "passive" negligence but does not apply to the County's "sole negligence" or "willful misconduct" within the meaning of Civil Code Section 2782.

B. Additional Insured

All policies, except for the Workers' Compensation, Errors and Omissions and Professional Liability policies shall contain endorsements naming the County and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers as additional insured with respect to liabilities

arising out of the performance of services hereunder. The additional insured endorsements shall not limit the scope of coverage for the County to vicarious liability but shall allow coverage for the County to the full extent provided by the policy. Such additional insured coverage shall be at least as broad as Additional Insured (Form B) endorsement form ISO, CG 2010.11 85.

C. Waiver of Subrogation Rights

Contractor shall require the carriers of required coverages to waive all rights of subrogation against the County, its officers, employees, agents, volunteers, contractors, and subcontractors. All general or auto liability insurance coverage provided shall not prohibit the Contractor and Contractor's employees or agents from waiving the right of subrogation prior to a loss or claim. The Contractor hereby waives all rights of subrogation against the County.

D. Policies Primary and Non-Contributory

All policies required herein are to be primary and non-contributory with any insurance or self-insurance programs carried or administered by the County.

E. Severability of Interests

Contractor agrees to ensure that coverage provided to meet these requirements is applicable separately to each insured and there will be no cross-liability exclusions that preclude coverage for suits between the Contractor and the County or between the County and any other insured or additional insured under the policy.

F. Proof of Coverage

Contractor shall furnish Certificates of Insurance to the County Department administering the Contract evidencing the insurance coverage at the time the contract is executed. Additional endorsements, as required, shall be provided prior to the commencement of performance of services hereunder, which certificates shall provide that such insurance shall not be terminated or expire without thirty (30) days written notice to the Department and Contractor shall maintain such insurance from the time Contractor commences performance of services hereunder until the completion of such services. Within fifteen (15) days of the commencement of this Contract, the Contractor shall furnish a copy of the Declaration page for all applicable policies and will provide complete certified copies of the policies and all endorsements immediately upon request.

G. Acceptability of Insurance Carrier

Unless otherwise approved by Risk Management, insurance shall be written by insurers authorized to do business in the State of California and with a minimum "Best" Insurance Guide rating of "A-VII".

H. Deductibles and Self-Insured Retention

Any and all deductibles or self-insured retentions in excess of \$10,000 shall be declared to and approved by Risk Management.

I. Failure to Procure Coverage

In the event that any policy of insurance required under this Contract does not comply with the requirements, is not procured, or is canceled and not replaced, the County has the right but not the obligation or duty to cancel the Contract or obtain insurance if it deems necessary and any premiums paid by the County will be promptly reimbursed by the Contractor or County payments to the Contractor will be reduced to pay for County purchased insurance.

J. Insurance Review

Insurance requirements are subject to periodic review by the County. The Director of Risk Management or designee is authorized, but not required, to reduce, waive or suspend any insurance requirements whenever Risk Management determines that any of the required insurance is not available, is unreasonably priced, or is not needed to protect the interests of the County. In addition, if the Department of Risk Management determines that heretofore unreasonably priced or unavailable types of insurance coverage or coverage limits become reasonably priced or available, the Director of Risk Management or designee is authorized, but not required, to change the above insurance requirements to require additional types of insurance coverage or higher coverage limits, provided that any such change is reasonable in light of past claims against the County, inflation, or any other item reasonably related to the County's risk.

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

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

K. Insurance Specifications

Contractor agrees to provide insurance set forth in accordance with the requirements herein. If the Contractor uses existing coverage to comply with these requirements and that coverage does not meet the specified requirements, the Contractor agrees to amend, supplement or endorse the existing coverage to do so. The type(s) of insurance required is determined by the scope of the contract services.

Without in anyway affecting the indemnity herein provided and in addition thereto, the Contractor shall secure and maintain throughout the contract term the following types of insurance with limits as shown:

1. Workers' Compensation/Employers Liability

A program of Workers' Compensation insurance or a State-approved, Self-Insurance Program in an amount and form to meet all applicable requirements of the Labor Code of the State of California, including Employer's Liability with \$250,000 limits, covering all persons including volunteers providing services on behalf of the Contractor and all risks to such persons under this Contract.

If Contractor has no employees, it may certify or warrant to the County that it does not currently have any employees or individuals who are defined as "employees"

under the Labor Code and the requirement for Workers' Compensation coverage will be waived by the County's Director of Risk Management.

With respect to Contractors that are non-profit corporations organized under California or Federal law, volunteers for such entities are required to be covered by Workers' Compensation insurance.

2. Commercial/General Liability Insurance

Contractor shall carry General Liability Insurance covering all operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor providing coverage for bodily injury and property damage with a combined single limit of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000), per occurrence. The policy coverage shall include:

- a. Premises operations and mobile equipment.
- b. Products and completed operations.
- c. Broad form property damage (including completed operations).
- d. Explosion, collapse and underground hazards.
- e. Personal Injury.
- f. Contractual liability.
- g. \$2,000,000 general aggregate limit.

3. Automobile Liability Insurance

Primary insurance coverage shall be written on ISO Business Auto coverage form for all owned, hired and non-owned automobiles or symbol 1 (any auto). The policy shall have a combined single limit of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for bodily injury and property damage, per occurrence.

If the Contractor is transporting one or more non-employee passengers in performance of contract services, the automobile liability policy shall have a combined single limit of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) for bodily injury and property damage per occurrence.

If the Contractor owns no autos, a non-owned auto endorsement to the General Liability policy described above is acceptable.

4. Umbrella Liability Insurance

An umbrella (over primary) or excess policy may be used to comply with limits or other primary coverage requirements. When used, the umbrella policy shall apply to bodily injury/property damage, personal injury/advertising injury and shall include a "dropdown" provision providing primary coverage for any liability not covered by the primary policy. The coverage shall also apply to automobile liability.

5. Cyber Liability Insurance

Cyber Liability Insurance with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 for each occurrence or event with an annual aggregate of \$2,000,000 covering claims

involving privacy violations, information theft, damage to or destruction of electronic information, intentional and/or unintentional release of private information, alteration of electronic information, extortion and network security. The policy shall protect the involved County entities and cover breach response cost as well as regulatory fines and penalties.

L. Professional Services Requirements

1. Professional Liability Insurance with limits of not less than one million (\$1,000,000) per claim or occurrence and two million (\$2,000,000) aggregate.

or

Errors and Omissions Liability Insurance with limits of not less than one million (\$1,000,000) per occurrence and two million (\$2,000,000) aggregate.

or

Directors and Officers Insurance coverage with limits of not less than one million (\$1,000,000) shall be required for contracts with charter labor committees or other not-for-profit organizations advising or acting on behalf of the County.

2. Abuse/Molestation Insurance – The Contractor shall have abuse or molestation insurance providing coverage for all employees for the actual or threatened abuse or molestation by anyone of any person in the care, custody, or control of any insured, including negligent employment, investigation, and supervision. The policy shall provide coverage for both defense and indemnity with liability limits of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence and two million dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate.
3. If insurance coverage is provided on a “claims made” policy, the “retroactive date” shall be shown and must be before the date of the start of the contract work. The “claims made” insurance shall be maintained or “tail” coverage provided for a minimum of five (5) years after contract completion.

XXXVI. Nondiscrimination

A. General

Contractor agrees to serve all clients without regard to race, color, gender, gender identity, religion, marital status, national origin, age, sexual orientation, or mental or physical handicap or disability pursuant to the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C., Section 2000d), Executive Order No. 11246, September 24, 1965, as amended, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and Age Discrimination Act of 1975.

Contractor shall not engage in any unlawful discriminatory practices in the admission of beneficiaries, assignments of accommodations, treatment, evaluation, employment of personnel, or in any other respect on the basis of race, color, gender, gender identity, religion, marital status, national origin, age, sexual orientation, or mental or physical handicap or disability.

B. Individuals with Disabilities

Contractor agrees to comply with Titles I, II, and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in employment, by public

entities, and regarding access, as well as all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations, guidelines and interpretations issued pursuant thereto.

Contractor agrees to comply with the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of individuals with disabilities.

C. Employment and Civil Rights

Contractor agrees to and shall comply with the County's Equal Employment Opportunity Program and Civil Rights Compliance requirements:

1. Equal Employment Opportunity Program

Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of the Equal Employment Opportunity Program of San Bernardino County and rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto: Executive Orders 11246, 11375, 11625, 12138, 12432, 12250, and 13672; Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (and Division 21 of the California Department of Social Services Manual of Policies and Procedures and California Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 10000); the California Fair Employment and Housing Act; and other applicable Federal, State, and County laws, regulations and policies relating to equal employment or social services to welfare recipients, including laws and regulations hereafter enacted.

During the term of the Contract, Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee, applicant for employment, or service recipient on the basis of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, political affiliation or military and veteran status.

2. Civil Rights Compliance

a. Contractor shall develop and maintain internal policies and procedures to assure compliance with each factor outlined by State regulation. Consistent with the requirements of applicable Federal or State law, the Contractor shall not engage in any unlawful discriminatory practices in the admission of beneficiaries, assignments of accommodations, treatment, evaluation, employment of personnel or in any other respect on the basis of race, color, gender, religion, marital status, national origin, age, sexual preference or mental or physical disabilities. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, pertaining to the prohibition of discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities in all federally assisted programs or activities, as detailed in regulations signed by the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, effective June 2, 1977, and found in the Federal Register, Volume 42, No. 86, dated May 4, 1977. The Contractor shall include the nondiscrimination and compliance provisions of this Contract in all subcontracts to perform work under this Contract. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, the Contractor may require a determination of medical necessity pursuant to Title 9, CCR, Section

1820.205, Section 1830.205 or Section 1830.210, prior to providing covered services to a beneficiary.

- b. Contractor shall prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, gender identity, age, disability, or limited English proficiency (LEP) in accordance with Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), appropriate notices, publications, and DBH Non-Discrimination-Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act Policy (COM0953).

D. Sexual Harassment

Contractor agrees that clients have the right to be free from sexual harassment and sexual contact by all staff members and other professional affiliates.

E. Charitable Choice Policy

Contractor shall comply with all Federal, State and County rules and regulations that are required for compliance under: Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 54 – Charitable Choice Regulations and DBH’s Standard Practice Manual Charitable Choice Policy.

F. ADA Plan

Contractor shall comply with all Federal, State and County rules and regulations that are required for compliance under:

1. Americans with Disability Act (ADA);
2. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973;
3. 45 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 84, Non-discrimination on the Basis of Handicap in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance;
4. Title 24, California Code of Regulations (CCR), Part 2, Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance; and
5. Unruh Civil Rights Act California Civil Code (CCC) Sections 51 through 51.3 and all applicable laws related to services and access to services for persons with disabilities (PWD).

- G. Contractor shall not discriminate against beneficiaries on the basis of health status or need for health care services, pursuant to 42 C.F.R. Section 438.6(d)(3).

H. Policy Prohibiting Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation

1. Contractor shall adhere to the County’s Policy Prohibiting Discrimination, Harassment and Retaliation (07-01). This policy prohibits discrimination, harassment, and retaliation by all persons involved in or related to the County’s business operations.

The County prohibits discrimination, harassment, and/or retaliation on the basis of Race, Religion, Color, National Origin, Ancestry, Disability, Sex/Gender, Gender Identity/Gender Expression/Sex Stereotype/Transgender, Sexual Orientation, Age, Military and Veteran Status. These classes and/or categories are Covered

Classes covered under this policy; more information is available at www.dfeh.ca.gov/employment.

The County prohibits discrimination against any employee, job applicant, unpaid intern in hiring, promotions, assignments, termination, or any other term, condition, or privilege of employment on the basis of a Protected Class. The County prohibits verbal harassment, physical harassment, visual harassment, and sexual harassment directed to a Protected Class.

2. Contractor shall comply with 45 C.F.R. § 160.316 to refrain from intimidation or retaliation. Contractors may not threaten, intimidate, coerce, harass, discriminate against, or take any other retaliatory action against any individual or other person for:
 - a. Filing of a complaint
 - b. Testifying, assisting, or participating in an investigation, compliance review, proceeding, or hearing
 - c. Opposing any unlawful act of practice, provided the individual or person has a good faith belief that the practice opposed is unlawful, and the manner of opposition is reasonable and does not involve a disclosure of protected health information.

XXXVII. DBH Notice of Personal/Civil Rights

Contractor shall ensure that staff are knowledgeable on the County DBH Notice of Personal/Civil Rights (designated as **ATTACHMENT I**).

XXXVIII. Drug-Free Workplace

By signing this Contract the Contractor certifies under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990 (Government Code § 8350 et. seq.), and the Pro-Children Act of 1994, and shall provide a drug-free workplace by taking the following actions:

- A. Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the person's or organization's workplace and specifying the actions that shall be taken against employees for violations of the prohibitions as required by Government Code § 8355 (a).
- B. Establish a drug-free awareness program as required by Government Code § 8355 (b) to inform employees about all of the following:
 1. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 2. The person's or organization's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 3. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 4. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.
- C. Provide, as required by Government Code § 8355 (c), that every employee engaged in performing of the Contract shall:

1. Be given a copy of the Contractor's drug-free policy statement; and
 2. As a condition of employment on the Contract, agree to abide by the terms of the statement.
- D. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in suspension of payments under the Contract or termination of the Contract or both, and the Contractor may be ineligible for future County or State contracts if the County or State determines that any of the following has occurred:
1. Contractor has made false certification; and/or
 2. Contractor has violated the certification by failing to carry out the requirements as noted above.

XXXIX. Contract Amendments

Contractor agrees that any alterations, variations, modifications, or waivers of the provisions of the Contract shall be valid only when they have been reduced to writing, duly signed by both parties and attached to the original of the Contract and approved by the required persons and organizations.

XL. Assignment

- A. This Agreement shall not be assigned by Contractor, either in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the Director.
- B. This Contract and all terms, conditions and covenants hereto shall inure to the benefit of, and binding upon, the successors and assigns of the parties hereto.
- C. If the ownership of the Contractor changes, both the licensee and the applicant for the new license shall, prior to the change of ownership, provide the State and DBH with written documentation stating:
 1. The organizational change in the Contractor's name or ownership, including Articles of Incorporation or Partnership Agreements, and business licenses, fictitious name permits, and such other information and documentation that may be requested by the State;
 2. That the new licensee shall have custody of the clients' records and that these records or copies shall be available to the former licensee, the new licensee and the County; or
 3. That arrangements have been made by the licensee for the safe preservation and the location of the clients' records, and that they are available to both the new and former licensees and the County; or
 4. The reason for the unavailability of such records.

XLI. Legality and Severability

The parties' actions under the Contract shall comply with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, court orders and governmental agency orders. The provisions of this Contract are specifically made severable. If a provision of the Contract is terminated or held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall remain in full effect.

XLII. Improper Consideration

Contractor shall not offer (either directly or through an intermediary) any improper consideration such as, but not limited to, cash, discounts, service, the provision of travel or entertainment, or any items of value to any officer, employee or agent of the County in an attempt to secure favorable treatment regarding this Contract.

The County, by written notice, may immediately terminate any Contract if it determines that any improper consideration as described in the preceding paragraph was offered to any officer, employee or agent of the County with respect to the proposal and award process or any solicitation for consideration was not reported. This prohibition shall apply to any amendment, extension or evaluation process once a Contract has been awarded.

Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer, employee or agent to solicit (either directly or through an intermediary) improper consideration from Contractor. The report shall be made to the supervisor or manager charged with supervision of the employee or to the County Administrative Office. In the event of termination under this provision, the County is entitled to pursue any available legal remedies.

XLIII. Venue

The venue of any action or claim brought by any party to the Contract will be the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District. Each party hereby waives any law or rule of the court, which would allow them to request or demand a change of venue. If any action or claim concerning the Contract is brought by any third party and filed in another venue, the parties hereto agree to use their best efforts to obtain a change of venue to the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino District.



XLIV. Conclusion

- A. This Agreement consisting of sixty-seven (67) pages, Schedules, Addenda, Attachments, and Exhibit(s) inclusive is the full and complete document describing the services to be rendered by Contractor to the County, including all covenants, conditions and benefits.
- B. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of San Bernardino County has caused this Agreement to be subscribed by the Clerk thereof, and Contractor has caused this Agreement to be subscribed on its behalf by its duly authorized officers, the day, month, and year first above written.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, and such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same Agreement. The parties shall be entitled to sign and transmit an electronic signature of this Agreement (whether by facsimile, PDF or other email transmission), which signature shall be binding on the party whose name is contained therein. Each party providing an electronic signature agrees to promptly execute and deliver to the other party an original signed Agreement upon request.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

▶ *Dawn Rowe*
 Dawn Rowe, Chair, Board of Supervisors

Dated: APR 21 2026

SIGNED AND CERTIFIED THAT A COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DELIVERED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Lynne Monell
 Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
 of San Bernardino County

By *[Signature]*



VARP, Inc.

(Print or type name of corporation, company, contractor, etc.)

By ▶ *Rich Smith*
(Authorized signature - sign in blue ink)

Name Don Richard Smith
(Print or type name of person signing contract)

Title Interim Executive Director
(Print or Type)

Dated: 4/14/2026

Address 1100 North D Street
San Bernardino, CA 92410

Approved as to Legal Form
 ▶ *[Signature]*
 Charles Phan, Supervising Deputy County Counsel
 Date 4/14/2026

Reviewed for Contract Compliance
 ▶ *[Signature]*
 Michael Shin, Administrative Manager
 Date 4/14/2026

Reviewed/Approved by Department
 ▶ *[Signature]*
 Joshua Dugas, Acting Director
 Date 4/15/2026

Signed by Kristina Robb on behalf of Charles Phan

SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS

CONTRACTOR NAME: VARP, INC.

1. Financial records shall be kept that clearly reflect the source of funding for each type of service for which reimbursement is claimed. These documents include, but are not limited to: all ledgers, books, vouchers, time sheets, payrolls, appointment schedules, client data cards, and schedules for allocating costs.
2. Contractor shall engage in outreach activities. Outreach is a service element that helps identify eligible pregnant, parenting women, and injection drug users in need of treatment services and encourages them to take advantage of these services. Outreach may include engagement of prospective program individuals by informing them of available treatment services, and can serve as “pre-treatment” by reinforcing prevention and education messages prior to enrollment in treatment. Outreach also may be used to educate the professional community on perinatal, and injection drug user services so that they become referral sources for potential clients.
3. Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment services provided with Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services Block Grant (SUBG) funding shall follow treatment preferences established in 45 CFR 96.131:
 - a) Pregnant Intravenous Drug Users (IVDUs);
 - b) Pregnant substance abusers;
 - c) IVDUs; and
 - d) All other eligible individuals
4. Everyone receiving SUD treatment services must provide documented evidence of their Tuberculosis (TB) status, and, if positive, evidence of ongoing treatment or a physician’s clearance to participate in a SUD treatment program. Contractor will refer individual’s needing TB testing/treatment to proper health care professionals for specialized care. Contractor shall ensure the following related to TB services:
 - a) Identify individuals at high risk of infection.
 - b) If an individual is denied admission due to lack of capacity, the individual is referred to a health care professional for TB services [i.e.: Managed Care Plan (MCP), Primary Care Physician (PCP), and Department of Public Health (DPH)]. TB services consist of testing, treatment, and counseling.
 - c) Provide TB referrals for testing and treatment as necessary. Provide referrals to an individual’s PCP, MCP, or by utilizing DBH’s voucher system through DPH, or Contractor can provide skin testing on site, when necessary, certifications and training are in place to provide such service.
 - o When utilizing the DBH voucher system to refer individuals for TB testing or chest x-ray, assist the individual in obtaining an appointment with DPH for the needed test.

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- d) Refer individuals testing positive to necessary TB treatment.
 - e) Reduce barriers for individuals to accept TB treatment.
 - f) Participate in follow-up monitoring activities, particularly after individuals leave treatment by disseminating information through educational bulletins and information on the need for continued treatment for those diagnosed with TB.
5. In the event of insufficient capacity in a SUD treatment facility, the Contractor shall refer pregnant women or IVDUs to another program with an available treatment slot; or provide interim services within forty-eight (48) hours of initial request until treatment becomes available.
6. The Contractor agrees to ensure that, to the maximum extent practicable, each individual who requests and is in need of treatment for a substance use disorder is admitted to a program within ten (10) days after making the request. If placement cannot occur within ten (10) days of the request, the Contractor agrees to ensure that interim services will be made available to pregnant women and intravenous drug users within 48 hours of the request and placement occurs within one hundred twenty (120) days of the request.

At minimum, Interim Services shall include the following:

- a) Counseling and education about human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and TB, and includes at minimum the following topics:
 - Risks of needle sharing
 - Risks of transmission of disease to sexual partners and infants, steps to ensure that HIV and TB transmission does not occur (infection prevention strategies)
 - Effects of alcohol and drug use on the fetus (for pregnant women)
 - b) In addition to counseling and education, referrals shall be provided for:
 - HIV and/or TB testing and treatment services, if necessary
 - Prenatal care (for pregnant women)
 - Referrals based on an individual's needs that may include, but are not limited to: self-help recovery groups, pre-recovery and treatment support groups, sources for housing, food and legal aid, case management, children's services, medical services, and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)/Medi-Cal services.
7. Transportation shall be provided or arranged for to and from the recovery and treatment site, and to and from ancillary services for perinatal women who do not have their own transportation.
- Transportation may be provided or arranged for to and from the recovery and treatment site, and to and from ancillary services for youth and other individuals actively engaged in a SUD treatment, or recovery support program, who do not have their own transportation.

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8. The Contractor agrees that data shall be maintained regarding Interim Services, TB and HIV referrals and services provided. A tracking log report provided by DBH shall be submitted by the 10th calendar day of the following month to DBH-SUDRSADMIN@dbh.sbcounty.gov. If the 10th calendar day lands on a holiday/weekend, the log is due the following business day.
9. Contractor shall collect California Outcomes Measurement System (CalOMS) Treatment (Tx) data on all clients. Contractor shall ensure CalOMS data is entered into the DBH billing and transactional database system by the 7th of the month following the reporting month. CalOMS data is required regardless of the source of funds used for the client's treatment services. For example, if a contractor receives DBH funding, and provides services to private-pay clients, the Contractor shall collect and submit CalOMS Tx data for all clients, including those who are privately paying for their services.

DBH generates and distributes CalOMS reports to Contractor's on a monthly basis. Contractor will review and reconcile these reports timely.

- a) Open Admission Report: Ensuring when services are no longer rendered, discharge occurs. For clients identified as not receiving services for 30 days or more discharge data shall be entered into the DBH billing and transactional database system within fourteen (14) days of the report distribution date.
 - b) Annual Update Report: Annual updates are completed for clients in treatment for twelve (12) months or more, continuously in one (1) contractor and one (1) service modality with no break in services exceeding thirty (30) days. Example: a client in a narcotic treatment modality, for twelve months or longer. For such a client, the Contractor collects the CalOMS Tx data approximately one year from the day the client was admitted. Contractor will ensure all clients identified on the report as not having an Annual Update completed will complete the Annual Update fourteen (14) days from the report distribution date.
 - c) Error Report: Errors can occur in the CalOMS data entered which will result in the CalOMS record being rejected by the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). Errors must be corrected to ensure proper CalOMS reporting. All CalOMS errors identified must be reconciled and corrected by the last Friday of the applicable month according to the report distribution date.
10. Drug and Alcohol Treatment Access Report (DATAR) is the DHCS system to collect data on treatment capacity and waiting lists and is considered a supplement to CalOMS Tx. DATAR assists in identifying specific categories of individuals awaiting treatment and identifies available treatment facilities for these individuals.

All SUD treatment contractors that receive SUD treatment funding are required to submit the one-page DATAR form each month in the web based DATAR application. In addition, certified Drug Medi-Cal contractors and Licensed Narcotic Treatment Programs must report, whether or not the contractors receive public funding. Contractor must submit DATAR reports for each month by the 5th of the following month. For example, for the

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month of September, the DATAR report must be submitted by the 5th of October.

- DBH utilizes the data and reports to monitor capacity and utilization. Contractor must notify the assigned DBH Program Coordinator and DHCS's Family Services Unit upon reaching or exceeding ninety (90) percent of its treatment capacity within seven (7) days by emailing FSU at DHCSPerinatal@dhcs.ca.gov.
 - The subject line in the email must read "Capacity Management."
 - DBH provides DATAR access for designated Contractor staff completing DATAR entries. Contractor shall have two (2) individuals assigned per clinic location to complete monthly DATAR entries: one primary and one back up. Contractor shall notify DBH at DBH-SUDRSADMIN@dbh.sbcounty.gov, or most recent email address as provided by DBH SUDRS Administration, within 10 business days of the need to add or delete designated staff completing DATAR entries.
11. Contractors providing youth services must comply with the current DHCS Adolescent Substance Use Disorder Best Practices Guide Adolescent Substance Use Disorder Best Practices Guide in the provision of service. Current Adolescent Substance Use Disorder Best Practices Guide is to be utilized until new guidelines are issued by DHCS. Adolescent Substance Use Disorder Best Practices Guide is posted online at: https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Documents/CSD_CMHCS/Adol%20Best%20Practices%20Guide/AdolBestPracGuideOCTOBER2020.pdf.
12. Contractors providing perinatal treatment services must comply with the current DHCS' Perinatal Practice Guidelines. Current Perinatal Practice Guidelines are to be utilized until new guidelines are issued by DHCS. Perinatal Practice Guidelines are posted online at: https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Documents/CSD_KS/CSD%20Perinatal%20Services/Perinatal-Practice-Guidelines.pdf.

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ADDENDUM II

Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services Block Grant (SUBG) State Fiscal Program Specifications

(Verbatim language from Biennial 2024-26
SUBG County Application, Enclosure 2, Article II. General)

Contractor acknowledges and agrees that any references to the County in this Addendum II also pertains to the Contractor and/or any subcontracting agency.

II. General

1. Additional Contract Restrictions

This Contract is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, or conditions enacted by the Congress, or any statute enacted by the Congress, which may affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this Contract in any manner.

2. Hatch Act

County agrees to comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (USC, Title 5, Part III, Subpart F., Chapter 73, Subchapter III), which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with federal funds.

3. No Unlawful Use or Unlawful Use Messages Regarding Drugs

County 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). By signing this Enclosure, County agrees that it will enforce, and will require its subcontractors to enforce, these requirements.

4. Limitation on Use of Funds for Promotion of Legalization of Controlled Substances

None of the funds made available through this Contract 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 USC 812).

5. Debarment and Suspension

County shall not subcontract with or employ any party listed on the government wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp. p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM exclusions contain the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.

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The County shall advise all subcontractors of their obligation to comply with applicable federal debarment and suspension regulations, in addition to the requirements set forth in 42 CFR Part 1001.

If a County subcontracts or employs an excluded party, DHCS has the right to withhold payments, disallow costs, or issue a CAP, as appropriate, pursuant to HSC Code 11817.8(h).

6. Restriction on Distribution of Sterile Needles

No SUBG funds made available through this Contract 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.

7. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996

All work performed under this Contract is subject to HIPAA, County shall perform the work in compliance with all applicable provisions of HIPAA. As identified in Exhibit E, DHCS and County shall cooperate to assure mutual agreement as to those transactions between them, to which this provision applies. Refer to Exhibit E for additional information.

A. Trading Partner Requirements

1. No Changes. County hereby agrees that for the personal health information (Information), it will not change any definition, data condition or use of a data element or segment as proscribed in the Federal Health and Human Services (HHS) Transaction Standard Regulation (45 CFR 162.915 (a)).
2. No Additions. County hereby agrees that for the Information, it will not add any data elements or segments to the maximum data set as proscribed in the HHS Transaction Standard Regulation (45 CFR 162.915 (b)).
3. No Unauthorized Uses. County hereby agrees that for the Information, it will not use any code or data elements that either are marked "not used" in the HHS Transaction's Implementation specification or are not in the HHS Transaction Standard's implementation specifications (45 CFR 162.915 (c)).
4. No Changes to Meaning or Intent. County hereby agrees that for the Information, it will not change the meaning or intent of any of the HHS Transaction Standard's implementation specification (45 CFR 162.915 (d)).

B. Concurrence for Test Modifications to HHS Transaction Standards

County agrees and understands that there exists the possibility that DHCS or others may request an extension from the uses of a standard in the HHS Transaction Standards. If this occurs, County agrees that it will participate in such test modifications.

C. Adequate Testing

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County is responsible to adequately test all business rules appropriate to their types and specialties. If the County is acting as a clearinghouse for enrolled providers, County has obligations to adequately test all business rules appropriate to each and every provider type and specialty for which they provide clearinghouse services.

D. Deficiencies

County agrees to correct transactions, errors, or deficiencies identified by DHCS, and transactions errors or deficiencies identified by an enrolled provider if the County is acting as a clearinghouse for that provider. When County is a clearinghouse, County agrees to properly communicate deficiencies and other pertinent information regarding electronic transactions to enrolled providers for which they provide clearinghouse services.

E. Code Set Retention

Both parties understand and agree to keep open code sets being processed or used in this Contract for at least the current billing period or any appeal period, whichever is longer.

F. Data Transmission Log

Both parties shall establish and maintain a Data Transmission Log which shall record any and all Data Transmissions taking place between the Parties during the term of this Contract. Each party will take necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that such Data Transmission Logs constitute a current, accurate, complete, and unaltered record of any and all Data Transmissions between the parties, and shall be retained by each Party for no less than twenty-four (24) months following the date of the Data Transmission. The Data Transmission Log may be maintained on computer media or other suitable means provided that, if it is necessary to do so, the information contained in the Data Transmission Log may be retrieved in a timely manner and presented in readable form.

8. Nondiscrimination and Institutional Safeguards for Religious Providers

County shall establish such processes and procedures as necessary to comply with the provisions of USC, Title 42, Section 300x-65 and CFR, Title 42, Part 54.

9. Counselor Certification

Any counselor or registrant providing intake, assessment of need for services, treatment or recovery planning, individual or group counseling to participants, patients, or residents in a DHCS licensed or certified program is required to be registered or certified as defined in CCR, Title 9, Division 4, Chapter 8.

10. Cultural and Linguistic Proficiency

To ensure equal access to quality care by diverse populations, each service provider receiving funds from this Contract shall adopt the Federal Office of Minority Health Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Service (CLAS) national standards as outlined online at:

<https://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/omh/browse.aspx?vl=2&vlid=53https://thinkculturalhealth.hhs.gov/cias/standards>

11. Intravenous Drug Use (IVDU) Treatment

County shall ensure that individuals in need of IVDU treatment shall be encouraged to undergo AOD treatment (42 USC 300x-23 (45 CFR 96.126(e))).

12. Tuberculosis Treatment

County shall ensure the following related to Tuberculosis (TB):

- A. Routinely make available TB services to individuals receiving treatment.
- B. Reduce barriers to patients' accepting TB treatment.
- C. Develop strategies to improve follow-up monitoring, particularly after patients leave treatment, by disseminating information through educational bulletins and technical assistance.

13. Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000

County and its subcontractors that provide services covered by this Contract shall comply with the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (USC, Title 22, Chapter 78, Section 7104) as amended by section 1702 of Pub. L. 112-239.

14. Tribal Communities and Organizations

County shall regularly review population information available through Census, compare to information obtained in the California Outcome Measurement System for Treatment (CalOMS-Tx) to determine whether the population is being reached, and survey Tribal representatives for insight in potential barriers to the substance use service needs of the American Indian/Alaskan Native (AI/AN) population within the County geographic area. Contractor shall also engage in regular and meaningful consultation and collaboration with elected officials of the tribe, Rancheria, or their designee for the purpose of identifying issues/barriers to service delivery and improvement of the quality, effectiveness, and accessibility of services available to AI/AN communities within the County.

15. Cannabis Restriction

Grant funds may not be used, directly or indirectly, to purchase, prescribe, or provide cannabis or treatment using cannabis. 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 cannabis 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 cannabis). 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 cannabis

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or a constituent thereof that is otherwise a banned controlled substance under Federal law.

16. Participation of County Behavioral Health Director's Association of California

The County AOD Program Administrator shall participate and represent the County in meetings of the County Behavioral Health Director's Association of California for the purposes of representing the counties in their relationship with DHCS with respect to policies, standards, and administration for AOD abuse services.

The County AOD Program Administrator shall attend any special meetings called by the Director of DHCS. Participation and representation shall also be provided by the County Behavioral Health Director's Association of California.

17. Adolescent Best Practices Guidelines

County must utilize DHCS guidelines in developing and implementing youth treatment programs funded under this Enclosure. The Adolescent Best Practices Guidelines can be found at:

https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Documents/CSD_CMHCS/Adol%20Best%20Practices%20Guide/AdolBestPracGuideOCTOBER2020.pdf

18. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 USC 1352)

County certifies that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 USC 1352. County shall also disclose to DHCS any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award.

19. Nondiscrimination in Employment and Services

County certifies that under the laws of the United States and the State of California, County will not unlawfully discriminate against any person.

20. Federal Law Requirements:

- A. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 2000d, as amended, prohibiting discrimination based on race, color, or national origin in federally-funded programs.
- B. Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 USC 3601 et seq.) prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin in the sale or rental of housing.
- C. Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (45 CFR Part 90), as amended 42 USC Sections 6101 – 6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age.
- D. Age Discrimination in Employment Act (29 CFR Part 1625).
- E. Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act (29 CFR Part 1630) prohibiting

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discrimination against the disabled in employment.

- F. Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (28 CFR Part 35) prohibiting discrimination against the disabled by public entities.
- G. Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (28 CFR Part 36) regarding access.
- H. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC Section 794), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of individuals with disabilities.
- I. Executive Order 11246 (42 USC 2000(e) et seq. and 41 CFR Part 60) regarding nondiscrimination in employment under federal contracts and construction contracts greater than \$10,000 funded by federal financial assistance.
- J. Executive Order 13166 (67 FR 41455) to improve access to federal services for those with limited English proficiency.
- K. The Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972, as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse.
- L. Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records (42 CFR Part 2, Subparts A – E).

21. State Law Requirements:

- A. Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code Section 12900 et seq.) and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (2 CCR 7285.0 et seq.).
- B. Title 2, Division 3, Article 9.5 of the Government Code, commencing with Section 11135.
- C. Title 9, Division 4, Chapter 8 of the CCR, commencing with Section 13000.
- D. No federal funds shall be used by the County or its subcontractors for sectarian worship, instruction, or proselytization. No federal funds shall be used by the County or its subcontractors to provide direct, immediate, or substantial support to any religious activity.

22. Additional Contract Restrictions

- A. Noncompliance with the requirements of nondiscrimination in services shall constitute grounds for DHCS to withhold payments under this Contract or terminate all, or any type, of funding provided hereunder.
- B. This Contract is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, or conditions enacted by the federal or state governments that affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this Contract in any manner.

23. Information Access for Individuals with Limited English Proficiency

- A. County shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Dymally-Alatorre Bilingual Services Act (Government Code sections 7290-7299.8) regarding access to materials that explain services available to the public as well as providing language interpretation services.

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- B. County shall comply with the applicable provisions of Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act (45 CFR Part 92), including, but not limited to, 45 CFR 92.201, when providing access to: (a) materials explaining services available to the public, (b) language assistance, (c) language interpreter and translation services, or (d) video remote language interpreting services.

24. Subcontract Provisions

County shall include all of the foregoing Part II general provisions in all of its subcontracts. These requirements must be included verbatim in contracts with subrecipients and not through documents incorporated by reference.

**DRUG MEDICAL ORGANIZED DELIVERY SYSTEM (DMC-ODS)
ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS**

1. Additional Agreement Restrictions
 - a) This Agreement is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, conditions, or statutes enacted or amended by the federal or state governments, which may affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this Agreement in any manner.
2. Voluntary Termination of DMC-ODS Services
 - a) The Contractor may terminate this Agreement at any time, for any reason, by giving 60 days written notice to DHCS. The Contractor shall be paid for DMC-ODS services provided to beneficiaries up to the date of termination. Upon termination, the Contractor shall immediately begin providing DMC services to beneficiaries in accordance with the State Plan.
3. Nullification of DMC-ODS Services
 - a) The parties agree that failure of the Contractor, or its subcontractors, to comply with W&I Code section 14124.24, 14184.100 et seq., BHIN 21-075, this Agreement, and any other applicable statutes, regulations or guidance issued by DHCS, shall be deemed a breach that results in the termination of this Agreement for cause.
 - b) In the event of a breach, DMC-ODS services shall terminate. The Contractor shall immediately begin providing DMC services to the beneficiaries in accordance with the State Plan.
4. Hatch Act
 - a) Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (Title 5 USC, sections 1501-1508), which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with federal funds.
5. No Unlawful Use or Unlawful Use Messages Regarding Drugs
 - a) Contractor agrees that information produced through these funds, and which pertains to drug 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 (H&S Code section 11999-11999.3). By signing this Agreement, Contractor agrees that it shall enforce, and shall require its subcontractors to enforce, these requirements.
6. Noncompliance with Reporting Requirements
 - a) Contractor agrees that DHCS has the right to withhold payments until Contractor has submitted any required data and reports to DHCS, as identified in this Exhibit A, Attachment I or as identified in Document 1F(a), Reporting Requirement Matrix for Counties.

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7. Limitation on Use of Funds for Promotion of Legalization of Controlled Substances
 - a) 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 USC 812).
8. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996
 - a) If any of the work performed under this Agreement is subject to the HIPAA, Contractor shall perform the work in compliance with all applicable provisions of HIPAA. As identified in Exhibit F, DHCS and the Contractor shall cooperate to ensure mutual agreement as to those transactions between them, to which this Provision applies. Refer to Exhibit F for additional information.
 - b) Trading Partner Requirements
 - 1) No Changes. Contractor hereby agrees that for the personal health information (Information), it shall not change any definition, data condition or use of a data element or segment as proscribed in the federal HHS Transaction Standard Regulation (45 CFR Part 162.915 (a)).
 - 2) No Additions. Contractor hereby agrees that for the Information, it shall not add any data elements or segments to the maximum data set as proscribed in the HHS Transaction Standard Regulation (45 CFR Part 162.915 (b)).
 - 3) No Unauthorized Uses. Contractor hereby agrees that for the Information, it shall not use any code or data elements that either are marked "not used" in the HHS Transaction's Implementation specification or are not in the HHS Transaction Standard's implementation specifications (45 CFR Part 162.915 (c)).
 - 4) No Changes to Meaning or Intent. Contractor hereby agrees that for the Information, it shall not change the meaning or intent of any of the HHS Transaction Standard's implementation specification (45 CFR Part 162.915 (d)).
 - c) Concurrence for Test Modifications to HHS Transaction Standards
 - 1) Contractor agrees and understands that there exists the possibility that DHCS or others may request an extension from the uses of a standard in the HHS Transaction Standards. If this occurs, Contractor agrees that it shall participate in such test modifications.
 - d) Adequate Testing
 - 1) Contractor is responsible to adequately test all business rules appropriate to their types and specialties. If the Contractor is acting as a clearinghouse for enrolled providers, Contractor has obligations to adequately test all business rules appropriate to each and every provider type and specialty for which they provide clearinghouse services.

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- e) Deficiencies
 - 1) The Contractor agrees to cure transactions errors or deficiencies identified by DHCS, and transactions errors or deficiencies identified by an enrolled provider if the Contractor is acting as a clearinghouse for that provider. If the Contractor is a clearinghouse, the Contractor agrees to properly communicate deficiencies and other pertinent information regarding electronic transactions to enrolled providers for which they provide clearinghouse services.
 - f) Code Set Retention
 - 1) Both DHCS and the Contractor understand and agree to keep open code sets being processed or used in this Agreement for at least the current billing period or any appeal period, whichever is longer.
 - g) Data Transmission Log
 - 1) Both DHCS and the Contractor shall establish and maintain a Data Transmission Log, which shall record any and all data transmissions taking place between the Parties during the term of this Agreement. Each Party shall take necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that such Data Transmission Logs constitute a current, accurate, complete, and unaltered record of any and all Data Transmissions between the Parties, and shall be retained by each Party for no less than 24 months following the date of the Data Transmission. The Data Transmission Log may be maintained on computer media or other suitable means provided that, if necessary to do so, the information contained in the Data Transmission Log may be retrieved in a timely manner and presented in readable form.
9. Counselor Certification
- a) Any counselor or registrant providing intake, assessment of need for services, treatment or recovery planning, individual or group counseling to participants, patients, or residents in a DHCS licensed or certified program is required to comply with the requirements in Cal. Code Regs., tit. 9, div. 4, chapter 8. (Document 3H)
10. Cultural and Linguistic Proficiency
- a) To ensure equal access to quality care by diverse populations, each service provider receiving funds from this Agreement shall adopt the federal Office of Minority Health Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Service (CLAS) national standards (Document 3V) and comply with 42 CFR 438.206(c)(2).
11. Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000
- a) Contractor and its subcontractors that provide services covered by this Agreement shall comply with section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)) as amended by section 1702. For full text of the award term, go to: <http://uscode.house.gov/view.xhtml?req=granuleid:USC-prelim-title22-section7104d&num=0&edition=prelim>.

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12. Participation in the County Behavioral Health Director's Association of California.

- a) The Contractor's County Administrator or designee shall participate and represent the county in meetings of the County Behavioral Health Director's Association of California for the purposes of representing the counties in their relationship with DHCS with respect to policies, standards, and administration for SUD services.
- b) The Contractor's County Administrator or designee shall attend any special meetings called by the Director of DHCS.

13. Youth Treatment Guidelines

- a) Contractor shall follow the guidelines in Document 1V, incorporated by this reference, "Youth Treatment Guidelines," in developing and implementing adolescent treatment programs funded under this Exhibit, until such time new Youth Treatment Guidelines are established and adopted. No formal amendment of this Agreement is required for new guidelines to be incorporated into this Agreement.

14. Nondiscrimination in Employment and Services

- a) By signing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that under the laws of the United States and the State of California, incorporated into this Agreement by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full, Contractor shall not unlawfully discriminate against any person.

15. Federal Law Requirements:

- a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, section 2000d, as amended, prohibiting discrimination based on race, color, or national origin in federally funded programs.
- b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (regarding education and programs and activities), if applicable.
- c) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 USC 3601 et seq.) prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin in the sale or rental of housing.
- d) Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (45 CFR Part 90), as amended (42 USC sections 6101 – 6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age.
- e) Age Discrimination in Employment Act (29 CFR Part 1625).
- f) Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act (29 CFR Part 1630) prohibiting discrimination against the disabled in employment.
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- h) Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (28 CFR Part 36) regarding access.
- i) Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC section 794), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of individuals with disabilities.

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- j) Executive Order 11246 (42 USC 2000(e) et seq. and 41 CFR Part 60) regarding nondiscrimination in employment under federal contracts and construction contracts greater than \$10,000 funded by federal financial assistance.
- k) Executive Order 13166 (67 FR 41455) to improve access to federal services for those with limited English proficiency.
- l) The Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972, as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse.
- m) The Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism.

16. State Law Requirements:

- a) Fair Employment and Housing Act (Gov. Code section 12900 et seq.) and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, Div. 4 § 7285.0 et seq.).
- b) Title 2, Division 3, Article 9.5 of the Gov. Code, commencing with Section 11135.
- c) Cal. Code Regs., tit. 9, div. 4, chapter 8, commencing with § 10800.
- d) No state or Federal funds shall be used by the Contractor, or its subcontractors, for sectarian worship, instruction, and/or proselytization. No state funds shall be used by the Contractor, or its subcontractors, to provide direct, immediate, or substantial support to any religious activity.
- e) Noncompliance with the requirements of nondiscrimination in services shall constitute grounds for state to withhold payments under this Agreement or terminate all, or any type, of funding provided hereunder.

17. Investigations and Confidentiality of Administrative Actions

- a) Contractor acknowledges that if a DMC provider is under investigation by DHCS or any other state, local or federal law enforcement agency for fraud or abuse, DHCS may temporarily suspend the provider from the DMC program, pursuant to W&I Code section 14043.36(a). Information about a provider's administrative sanction status is confidential until such time as the action is either completed or resolved. DHCS may also issue a payment suspension to a provider pursuant to W&I Code section 14107.11 and Code of Federal Regulations, Title 42, section 455.23. The Contractor is to withhold payments from a DMC provider during the time a payment suspension is in effect.
- b) Contractor shall execute the Confidentiality Agreement, attached as Document 5A. The Confidentiality Agreement permits DHCS to communicate with Contractor concerning subcontracted providers that are subject to administrative sanctions.

**AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF
SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER SERVICES
EARLY INTERVENTION, OUTPATIENT TREATMENT, INTENSIVE
OUTPATIENT TREATMENT AND RECOVERY SERVICES**

CONTRACTOR NAME: VARP, INC.

A. Contractor shall provide Early Intervention, Outpatient Treatment, Intensive Outpatient Treatment and Recovery services as defined herein to San Bernardino County residents.

B. FACILITY LOCATIONS:

1. Contractor shall provide the above services in and from the following address(es):

a. **1369 E Highland Ave, San Bernardino, CA 92404**

2. Level of Care/Target Population/Region(s) to be served:

Level of Care	Target Population	Region(s)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Early Intervention	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adult (Ages 18-20) <input type="checkbox"/> Youth (Ages 12-17)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> East Valley/San Bernardino Metropolitan Region <input type="checkbox"/> West Valley Region <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Central Valley Region <input type="checkbox"/> Desert/Mountain Region
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Outpatient Treatment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adult <input type="checkbox"/> Youth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> East Valley/San Bernardino Metropolitan Region <input type="checkbox"/> West Valley Region <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Central Valley Region <input type="checkbox"/> Desert/Mountain Region
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Intensive Outpatient Treatment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adult <input type="checkbox"/> Youth	<input type="checkbox"/> East Valley/San Bernardino Metropolitan Region <input type="checkbox"/> West Valley Region <input type="checkbox"/> Central Valley Region <input type="checkbox"/> Desert/Mountain Region
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recovery Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adult <input type="checkbox"/> Youth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> East Valley/San Bernardino Metropolitan Region <input type="checkbox"/> West Valley Region <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Central Valley Region <input type="checkbox"/> Desert/Mountain Region

3. Contractor shall provide Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Early Intervention, Outpatient Treatment and/or Intensive Outpatient Treatment and Recovery Services (EI-OT-IOT-RS) as indicated in the chart above. Contractor shall provide services as described in Addendum II for each level of service and the population to be served (Adult/Youth), as applicable.

C. SERVICE DESCRIPTION:

Contractor shall provide EI-OT-IOT-RS in accordance with the following description:

1. The San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health (DBH), Substance Use Disorder and Recovery Services (SUDRS) have implemented a coordinated network of SUD prevention, treatment and recovery services which are provided through contractors and County clinics. Each Contractor agrees that every effort shall be made to make all services available through the coordinated network including its various levels of care: prevention, residential treatment, withdrawal management (detoxification), early intervention, outpatient, intensive outpatient treatment, recovery services and medication assisted treatment.
2. Each Contractor agrees to provide all potential clients access to this network of services and system of care through a consistent evaluation process to determine the appropriate ASAM Criteria level of care.
3. Early Intervention (Level 0.5) (Ages 12-17 and 18-20) – Early Intervention services will be provided to clients when medically necessary. Early Intervention services are covered DMC-ODS services for clients under the age of 21. Any client under the age of 21 who is screened and determined to be at risk of developing a SUD may receive the following early intervention services: group and individual counseling and client education Services can be provided by a licensed professional or a registered or certified counselor in any appropriate setting in the community

The components of Early Intervention services are:

- a. Screening: to determine high-risk and need for this level of care
- b. Treatment Planning
- c. Interventions (individual and group counseling) - designed to affect change in high-risk substance use
- d. Client Education on risks of substance use
- e. Education on substances: at the request of the client, provide education on substances of abuse for Family/significant others willing to participate.
- f. Discharge services: to prepare the client for a higher or lower level of care (for example: referral to Recovery Centers to provide a linkage to substance free activities and a place where they can continue to receive educational information and attend self-help groups)
- g. Case Management: to assist with client needs while attending Early Intervention Services, case managers shall initiate a cooperative transition to a case manager in the higher level of care, if initiated.
- h. Drug testing: if and when qualified staff determine it is clinically appropriate.

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Note: Early Intervention services must be provided in duration/occurrence less than what would be provided in an Outpatient treatment level of care. If medical necessity warrants the need for longer periods of treatment/services, the client must be transitioned to the appropriate level of care to treat the needs of the client.

4. Outpatient Services (Level 1) (Ages 12-17 and 18+) counseling services are provided to clients (less than six (6) hours a week for youth and up to nine (9) hours a week for adults) when determined by a Medical Director or Licensed Practitioner of the Healing Arts to be medically necessary and in accordance with an individualized treatment plan. Services can be provided by a licensed professional or a registered or certified counselor in any appropriate setting in the community. Services can be provided in-person, by telephone or by telehealth.

The Components of Outpatient Services are:

- a. Intake: The process of determining whether a client meets the medical necessity criteria and whether the client is admitted into a substance use disorder treatment program. Intake includes the evaluation or analysis of the cause or nature of mental, emotional, psychological, behavioral and substance use disorders; and the assessment of treatment needs to provide medically necessary services. Intake may include a physical examination and laboratory testing (e.g. body specimen screening) necessary for substance use disorder treatment and evaluation.
- b. Individual Counseling: Contact between a client and a therapist or counselor. Services provided in-person, by telephone or by telehealth.
 - All Outpatient Treatment and Intensive Outpatient Treatment (IOT) clients will at minimum, have available one (1) individual counseling session per month. Individual counseling shall be a minimum of 45 minutes.
- c. Group Counseling: Contact in which one or more therapists or counselors treat two or more clients at the same time with a maximum of 12 in the group, focusing on the needs of the individuals served.
 - All Outpatient Treatment clients will have available a minimum of two (2) groups per week.
 - Outpatient Treatment and IOT group counseling shall be a minimum of 90 minutes.
- d. Family Therapy: The effects of addiction are far-reaching and client's family members and loved ones also are affected by the disorder. By including family members in the treatment process, education about factors that are important to the client's recovery as well as their own recovery can be conveyed. Family members can provide social support to the client, help

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- motivate the client to remain in treatment, and receive help and support for their own family recovery as well.
- e. Client Education: Provide research based education on addiction, treatment, recovery and associated health risks.
 - f. Medication Services: The prescription or administration of medication related to substance use treatment services, or the assessment of the side effects or results of that medication conducted by staff lawfully authorized to provide such services.
 - g. Collateral Services: Sessions with therapists or counselors and significant persons in the life of the client, focused on the treatment needs of the client in terms of supporting the achievement of the client's treatment goals. Significant persons are individuals that have a personal, not official or professional, relationship with the client.
 - h. Crisis Intervention Services: Contact between a therapist or counselor and a client in crisis. Services shall focus on alleviating crisis problems. "Crisis" means an actual relapse or an unforeseen event or circumstance which presents to the client an imminent threat of relapse. Crisis intervention services shall be limited to the stabilization of the client's emergency situation.
 - i. Treatment Planning: The provider shall prepare a written Individualized Treatment Plan (ITP), based upon information obtained in the intake and assessment process. The ITP shall be completed upon intake and then updated every subsequent ninety (90) days unless there is a change in treatment modality or significant event that would then require a new ITP. The ITP shall include:
 - i. A statement of problems to be addressed;
 - ii. Goals to be reached which address each problem, action steps which shall be taken by the provider and/or client to accomplish identified goals;
 - iii. Target dates for accomplishment of action steps and goals, and a description of services including the type of counseling to be provided and the frequency thereof;
 - iv. Specific quantifiable goal/treatment objectives related the client's substance use disorder diagnosis and multidimensional assessment;
 - v. Identify the proposed type(s) of interventions/modality that includes a proposed frequency and duration;
 - vi. Be consistent with the qualifying diagnosis and shall be signed by the client and the Medical Director or LPHA; and

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- vii. Client progress in Outpatient Treatment and/or IOT will be reviewed every 30 days. At the end of the 90-day treatment period, the service provider shall evaluate and document the need for continued treatment.
 - j. Discharge Services: The process to prepare the client for referral into another level of care, post treatment return or reentry into the community, and/or the linkage of the client to essential community treatment, housing and human services.
- 5. Intensive Outpatient Treatment (ASAM Level 2.1) will provide structured programming services to clients (a minimum of nine hours with a maximum of 19 hours a week for adults provided at minimum 3 hours per day, 3 days per week, and a minimum of six hours with a maximum of 19 hours a week for adolescents).

This will be determined utilizing a biopsychosocial assessment and utilizing ASAM Criteria to determine the appropriate level of care. It's to be determined by a Medical Director or Licensed Practitioner of the Healing Arts to be medically necessary and in accordance with an individualized treatment plan.

Lengths of treatment can be extended when determined to be medically necessary. Services consist primarily of counseling and education about addiction-related problems.

A therapist or a registered or certified counselor, in any appropriate setting in the community, can provide services. Services can be provided in-person, by telephone or by telehealth.

The Components of Intensive Outpatient are (see Outpatient Services for definitions):

 - a. Intake
 - b. Individual and/or Group Counseling
 - c. Patient Education
 - d. Family Therapy
 - e. Medication Services
 - f. Collateral Services
 - g. Crisis Intervention Services
 - h. Treatment Planning
 - i. Discharge Services
- 6. Case Management: The DBH Case management program is referred to as the "Care Coordination Program". Care coordination (case management) should be offered to all clients in SUD treatment services. For clients who agree to receive care

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coordination (case management) services, services shall be provided as described below.

Care Coordination is of particular importance to youth in SUD treatment for service coordination and collaboration, as stipulated in Youth Treatment Guidelines.

Services may be provided by a Licensed Practitioner of the Healing Arts or a registered or certified counselor. Care Coordination services are services that assist a client in accessing needed medical, educational, social, prevocational, vocational, rehabilitative, or other community services.

These services focus on coordination of SUD care, integration around primary care especially for clients with a chronic substance use disorder, and interaction with the criminal justice system, if needed.

Care Coordination services may be provided face-to-face, by telephone, or by telehealth with the client and may be provided anywhere in the community.

Care Coordination services include:

- a. Comprehensive assessment and periodic reassessment of individual needs to determine the need for continuation of care coordination services;
 - b. Transition to a higher or lower-level SUD of care;
 - c. Development and periodic revision of a client plan that includes service activities;
 - d. Communication, coordination, referral and related activities;
 - e. Monitoring service delivery to ensure client access to service and the service delivery system;
 - f. Monitoring the client's progress;
 - g. Client advocacy, linkages to physical and mental health care, transportation and retention in primary care services; and,
 - h. Care Coordination shall be consistent with and shall not violate confidentiality of alcohol or drug clients as set forth in 42 CFR Part 2, and California law.
7. Recovery Services: may be delivered concurrently with other DMC-ODS services and levels of care as clinically appropriate. Beneficiaries without a remission diagnosis may also receive recovery services and do not need to be abstinent from drugs for any specified period of time.

Beneficiaries may receive recovery services based on a self-assessment or provider assessment of relapse risk.

Beneficiaries receiving MAT, including Narcotic (Opioid) Treatment Program services, may receive recovery services.

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Beneficiaries may receive recovery services immediately after incarceration regardless of whether or not they received SUD treatment during incarceration. Recovery services may be provided in person, by synchronous telehealth, or by telephone/audio-only.

Recovery services may be provided in the home or the community.

The service components of Recovery Services are:

- a. Individual and/or group outpatient counseling services;
 - b. Recovery Monitoring: Recovery coaching and monitoring delivered in-person, by synchronous telehealth, or by telephone/audio-only;
 - c. Relapse Prevention: Relapse prevention, including attendance in alumni groups and recovery focused events/activities;
 - d. Education and Job Skills: Linkages to life skill services and supports, employment services, job training, and education services;
 - e. Family Support: Linkages to childcare, parent education, child development support services, family/marriage education;
 - f. Support Groups: Linkages to self-help and support services, spiritual and faith based support;
 - g. Ancillary Services: Linkages to housing assistance, transportation, case management, and other individual services coordination.
8. For all levels of care:
- a. DBH requires prior-approval for all field-based services. If a Contractor wants to provide field-based services, DBH will provide information and approval for field-based services.
 - b. Contractor shall provide transportation to youth and women with children to medically necessary services. Need of beneficiaries living in remote locations shall be addressed.
 - c. Contractors shall provide outreach services to ensure individuals in need of SUD services can receive services.
 - d. The treatment/recovery methodology employed by the Contractor must be evidence-based and approved by DBH. Any deviations from these service provisions require the prior approval of DBH.
 - e. Contractor shall ensure that clients are encouraged and afforded every opportunity to participate in self-help groups of their choice.
 - f. A Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) "Client Health Questionnaire" (Form # DHCS 5103) shall be completed for each client at the time of admission. Qualified staff shall review each completed DHCS Client Health

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Questionnaire (DHCS 5103). The form is available at: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Documents/DHCS-5103.pdf>.

- g. Clients shall be referred promptly for medical and/or psychiatric evaluation when deemed appropriate by staff.
- h. All OT and IOT clients shall be required to complete random drug testing at minimum twice per month.
- i. EI and RS clients will be required to complete random drug testing if and when qualified staff determine it is clinically appropriate. Clinically appropriate staff will determine interval(s) for testing.
- j. Contractor may provide ancillary services which in the view of the Contractor supports a recovery lifestyle.
- k. Data must be entered, submitted and/or updated in a timely manner for:
 - i. CalOMS information to include:
 - Client Registration, Opening and Discharge
 - Error reconciliation
 - Open admissions
 - Annual updates
 - Private pay/funded clients CalOMS data is required to be submitted (limited to client registration/opening and discharge)
 - ii. DATAR entries
 - iii. Information and updates for the Provider Directory
 - iv. ASAM Level of Care Information

D. SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. SUD EI-OT-IOT-RS are designed to achieve progressive changes in an individual's thinking and substance misusing behavior in order to prevent relapse. This must be accomplished by using evidence-based SUD treatment services.
2. EI-OT-IOT-RS are provided to assist in supporting those at risk of developing, or living with, substance use disorder to allow them to achieve recovery and live a self-directed life. Such services, are not limited to, but must include:
 - Screening and/or assessment to determine appropriate level of care for each client;
 - Use of sufficiently trained staff;
 - Therapeutic services in frequency and duration to meet the individual needs of each client served.

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- Utilization of proven evidence-based treatment practices that result in measurable, positive outcomes.

3. PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (SCOPE OF WORK)

Contractor will give preference in admittance to treatment in the following order:

- Pregnant injecting drug users;
- Pregnant substance abusers;
- Injecting drug users;
- All others

a. Program Requirements:

Contractor shall provide evidence-based SUD EI-OT-IOT-RS for clients who have demonstrated a need for a specific level of care as described herein. Services will incorporate DMC-ODS requirements, AOD Program Certification Standards, DMC Certification Standards and Youth Treatment Guidelines and any other guidelines that pertain to the delivery of such SUDRS services.

Contractors shall provide SUD treatment and RS for clients who have been screened and assessed utilizing ASAM Criteria and medical necessity has been determined for the level of care provided. Contractor will utilize the necessary tools to determine whether EI-OT-IOT-RS is the appropriate level of care to address the needs of the client. Services will be provided by a DHCS Drug Medi-Cal certified facility, which is certified for Outpatient Treatment (DHCS Service Function Code 20) and IOT services (DHCS Service Function Code 25).

Operation Guidelines:

- i. Contractor shall deliver SUD EI-OT-IOT-RS that conform to and follow applicable regulations and any regulations that govern specific funding to be utilized in the provision of services, such as but not limited to:
 - Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System – Special Terms and Conditions (STC)
 - SUBG Policy Manual
 - Minimum Quality Drug Treatment Standards for SUBG
 - Alcohol and/or Other Drug Program Certification Standards
 - Youth Treatment Guidelines
- ii. Contractor shall complete a needs assessment to determine the demographic make-up and population trends of the service area(s)

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to identify the need for SUD EI-OT-IOT-RS, and the cultural and linguistic needs of the target population(s). Such assessments are critical to designing and planning for the provision of appropriate and effective services.

- iii. Assist clients who are not Medi-Cal eligible in applying for this benefit.
- iv. Provide services to San Bernardino County residents who have San Bernardino County Medi-Cal (County Code: 36). Clients seeking services with any other County Code for Medi-Cal eligibility shall be referred to their county of responsibility.
 - For clients who indicate they have permanently moved to San Bernardino County (as their Medi-Cal is indicating a different county), assist the client in contacting the Social Services Department in their former county of residence with a request to transfer their Medi-Cal case to San Bernardino County. Efforts made to transition the clients Medi-Cal shall be clearly documented in the client's chart.
- v. Verify Medi-Cal eligibility for all clients each month the client is enrolled in the program. *Documentation of monthly Medi-Cal eligibility shall be kept on file in the client chart.*
- vi. Establish medical necessity through a comprehensive assessment process.
 - 1) Clients 21 years and older: a service is "medically necessary" or a "medical necessity" when it is reasonable and necessary to protect life, to prevent significant illness or significant disability, or to alleviate severe pain.

To qualify for DMC services after the initial assessment process, beneficiaries 21 years of age and older must meet one of the following criteria:

- a) Have at least one diagnosis from the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM) for Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders, with the exception of Tobacco-Related Disorders and Non-Substance-Related Disorders, OR
- b) Have had at least one diagnosis from the DSM for Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders, with the exception of Tobacco-Related Disorders and Non-Substance-Related Disorders, prior to being

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incarcerated or during incarceration, determined by substance use history.

- 2) For beneficiaries under 21 years of age, a service is “medically necessary” or a “medical necessity” if the service is necessary to correct or ameliorate screened health conditions. Consistent with federal guidance, services need not be curative or completely restorative to ameliorate a health condition, including substance misuse and SUD. Services that sustain, support, improve, or make more tolerable substance misuse or SUD are considered to ameliorate the condition and are thus covered as EPSDT services. (Section 1396d(r)(5) of Title 42 of the United States Code; W&I Section 14059.5(b)(1)).
- vii. The initial medical necessity determination shall be provided through a review by a Medical Director or Licensed Practitioner of the Healing Arts (LPHA) who will provide a diagnosis from the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM) for Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders (with the exception of Tobacco-Related Disorders and Non-Substance-Related Disorders). After establishing a diagnosis, the ASAM Criteria will be applied to determine placement into the appropriate level of care.
 - Medical Necessity qualification for ongoing services is to be determined at least every six (6) months through the reauthorization process for client’s determined by the Medical Director or LPHA to be clinically appropriate.
 - Any and all services beyond six (6) months must have an appropriate and approved justification to continue treatment which shall be approved by DBH-SUDRS Administration.
 - viii. Provide SUD treatment utilizing at least two (2) evidence practices and other therapeutic interventions necessary for the target population(s) served.
 - ix. Contractor shall identify the evidence-based curriculum(s) to be utilized for program services.
 - x. When providing services for Youth EI-OT-IOT-RS, the program shall serve male youth only or female youth only, unless;
 - The program addresses gender-specific issues in determining individual treatment needs and therapeutic approaches; and,

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- The program provides regular opportunities for separate gender group activities and counseling sessions.
- xi. Contractor shall attend all meetings held by DBH regarding program updates, progress, and changes.
- b. Facility Requirements:
 - i. Provide all facilities, facility management, supplies and other resources necessary to establish and operate the program.
 - ii. Provide proper prior notification to DBH if the facility location will change.
 - iii. Business Hours: The clinic location shall maintain; **at minimum**, “normal business hours” (Monday – Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) to allow for public access, and County/State oversight.

Contractor shall offer clinical services that are sufficient to meet the needs of the clients to be served and the target population(s) enrolled. For example: Youth or employed clients may require business hours that are outside of “normal business hours” due to school or employment obligations. Contractor must be flexible to meet the needs of the clients being served.
 - iv. Contractor shall provide the following for each location by the contract start date and maintain these requirements in good standing throughout the term of any contract issued by the County:
 - 1) Current Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) certification;
 - 2) Drug Medi-Cal Certification;
 - 3) Business Licenses and/or City/County permits as required; and
 - 4) Zoning and Fire clearances as required
 - v. Facility shall have sufficient space for services, activities, staff and administrative offices as necessary.
 - vi. Obtain and/or maintain a facility location that will be appropriate and accessible for the selected service regions, readily accessible by public transportation, be easily accessible to community services, educational resources, health care facilities, and employment opportunities, and shall be in compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and California State Administration Code Title 24.
 - vii. First aid supplies shall be maintained and readily available in the facility.

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- c. Regulations and Standards:
- i. Contractor shall maintain compliance with/and follow DMC-OSD/Title 22 requirements for Drug Medi-Cal SUD services, Alcohol and/or Other Drug Program Certification Standards, Youth Treatment Guidelines, Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services Block Grant, and DMC Certification Standards and any other standards and/or regulations as defined by funding source. No formal amendment to a contract is required for new regulations or guidelines to apply.
 - ii. Maintain compliance with all non-discrimination laws and regulations and follow admission policies that ensure clients are admitted to services regardless of anticipated outcomes.
 - iii. In order to effectively serve clients of San Bernardino County, Contractor shall have the ability to address the most recent threshold languages of the County whether by implementation of best practice, by having bilingual staff, or as a secondary process by utilizing formal interpreter services. San Bernardino County Threshold languages: Spanish, Mandarin and Vietnamese.
 - iv. Contractor shall provide professional certified interpreter and translation services as needed for persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) and deaf/hearing impaired individuals.
 - v. Contractor shall have the ability to offer treatment programs in other languages (other than English). This would be a program offered to clients whose primary-preferred language is, for example: Spanish, Vietnamese or Mandarin. (This would be over and above the required translation services. For example: the entire program is developed and provided to a target population of Spanish speaking individuals which can be either adults or youth).
 - vi. Have the capacity, at a minimum, to screen and refer all clients with co-occurring disorders to appropriate co-occurring treatment.
 - vii. Treatment facilities shall be free of alcohol and any non-prescription drugs that could be utilized in an illicit manner.
 - viii. Comply with all State and Federal statutes and regulations regarding confidentiality, including but not limited to applicable provisions of Part 2, Title 42 Code of Federal Regulations; Welfare Institutions Code Sections 5328 et. seq., and 14100.2; Sections 11812 of the Health and Safety Code; Title 22, California Code of Regulations Section 51009; and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA).

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ix. Ensure staff/volunteers/interns are knowledgeable about the DBH Grievance and Appeals Policies and Procedures and the SUDRS Notice of Personal and Civil Rights and ensure that any complaints by clients are referred to DBH at minimum, in accordance with the policy/procedure. The Policy consists of items such as:

- 1) DBH-SUDRS follows-up on all complaints
- 2) Strict timelines are followed for complaint resolution
- 3) DHCS can be contacted as well or if complaint remains unresolved
- 4) DBH ACCESS Unit shall be notified of all complaints.

A copy of the SUDRS Notice of Personal and Civil Rights shall be given to each client upon entry into the program and shall be displayed in an area accessible and conspicuous to all clients and staff/volunteers/interns. (**Attachment I**).

x. Contractor shall ensure all incidents with clients are reported on the "Unusual Occurrence/Incident Report" County Form QM053 (**Attachment V**). Incidents can be, but are not limited to:

- 1) Dangerous Behavior
- 2) Medical/Injury
- 3) Disturbance/Destruction of Property
- 4) Victimized
- 5) Death
- 6) Dangerous Behavior – Self
- 7) Sexual Behavior
- 8) Other's (not listed)

All incidents shall be reported to Contractor supervisory staff immediately. Staff witnessing the incident shall complete the QM053 form. Supervisory staff shall conduct an investigation and complete applicable sections of the QM053 form and submit a copy to the DBH Program Manager/designee by the next working day.

xi. Establish protocols in the event of Program or Contract termination that provides for the responsible and orderly transition of clients to another DBH approved facility for services. The plan shall include a provision for furnishing DBH with all client information, any documents necessary for this transition and closure of client episodes in the DBH billing system and CalOMS prior to final

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program closure.

d. Administrative Requirements

- i. Contractor shall maintain adequate files and records and meet statistical reporting requirements.
- ii. Contractor has the administrative and fiscal capability to provide and manage the proposed services to ensure an adequate audit trail.
- iii. Contractor shall develop and/or maintain a written Personnel Policy and Procedures Manual in accordance with current DBH standards. The written procedures and all updates shall be provided to all employees charging hours to this agreement. The written Personnel Policy and Procedures Manual shall be submitted to DBH, upon request. A change to any part of the Personnel Policy and Procedures requires a written change in the manual and submission of all changes to DBH, upon request.

The written Personnel Policy and Procedures Manual shall contain at minimum, the following for all staff, volunteers, and interns:

- Recruitment Procedures
 - Screening and Selection Procedures
 - Training and Orientation Process
 - Personnel File Documentation Requirements
 - Duties and Assignments (Job Description)
 - Supervision and Evaluation Responsibilities
 - Protection of Confidentiality Procedures
- iv. Maintain a separate and appropriate written policy and procedure regarding the utilization of volunteers/interns in services provided and standards they must follow and this shall be incorporated into the written Personnel Policy and Procedures Manual.
 - v. Contractor shall maintain a policy and procedure manual of services which contains items such as, but not limited to: written procedures for treatment, assessment and admission to the appropriate level of care, application of ASAM Criteria, cost and fee assessments, policies for client payments, refund policy, reasons and actions for client's termination from the program and the evidence based practices and treatment curriculum utilized by the program, etc.

e. Required Referrals:

- i. Contractor shall refer clients to the appropriate ASAM Criteria level

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- of care for services that are not provided by the provider.
- ii. Clients shall be referred promptly for medical and/or psychiatric evaluation when deemed appropriate by staff.
 - iii. Contractor shall act as a community referral resource, referring clients in need directly or by referral process to other services beyond their scope of service; such as, but not limited to; housing/shelters, food banks, clothing, tutoring services if needed for youth who remain in school, GED classes, higher education, vocational education, job training, resume writing, legal services, CalWORKs, CalFresh, Medi-Cal, etc.
 - iv. Contractor shall initiate collaborative community partnerships and service systems. Contractor will establish procedures that will ensure strong, reliable linkages with other community service providers and service organizations for the client's support. These collaborative efforts shall be designed to integrate, coordinate and access necessary support services within the community in order to ensure successful treatment and recovery. These efforts shall help achieve mutual goals espoused by Federal, State, and County systems to integrate services, prevent relapse through the use of community support services, reduce fragmentation of care and establish better communication and collaboration at all levels, but particularly among local providers and agencies who work with this target population.
 - v. Contractor can offer medications for addiction treatment (MAT, also known as medication-assisted treatment) directly, or must have effective referral mechanisms in place to the most clinically appropriate MAT services (defined as facilitating access to MAT off-site for beneficiaries while they are receiving services if not provided on-site). (Providing a beneficiary contact information for a treatment program is insufficient). A cooperative transition shall be initiated utilizing the Substance Use Disorder Referral (SUDRS034) form. A copy of the referral will be provided to the client and placed in the client file.
- f. **Quality Management:**
- i. Contractor shall maintain a Quality Management component designed to monitor and improve quality of care. The Quality Management component should monitor services and provide interventions as needed that are designed to achieve significant improvement in areas of client satisfaction and positive outcomes.
 - ii. Contractor shall maintain a written Quality Improvement Plan (QIP),

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which is updated at minimum every two (2) years. The QIP shall clearly define and establish quantitative measures to assess performance and to identify and prioritize area(s) for improvement.

- 1) The QIP shall include clearly defined goals, objectives, and activities that are client-centered and designed to achieve improvement in the quality of care and positive outcomes for clients being served by the program.
- 2) Contractor shall provide client satisfaction surveys for clients participating in the program. Results of client satisfaction surveys shall be compiled and analyzed by the Contractor and shall be incorporated and utilized in the QIP.
- 3) Contractor shall participate in the DBH outcomes program which will include; attending meetings, the development of system-wide outcomes, development of tools utilized to measure outcomes and analysis of quality improvement plans to ensure outcomes are improving client care.

Once DBH system-wide outcomes are developed, annual reports will be required and submitted to SUDRS Administration to allow DBH to compile and assess overall system-wide progress towards achieving defined goals, objectives and outcomes.

- iii. The following are outcomes to be considered for the levels of care:
 - 1) Ensure clients are engaged in the wellness/recovery process within the first thirty (30) days from admission.
 - 2) Reduced recidivism rate for criminal justice involved clients.
 - 3) Clients' abstinence from all illicit drugs and alcohol for a measured time-period.
 - 4) Clients' obtainment or continuation of secure and adequate housing upon exit from the program.
 - 5) Clients remain engaged in meaningful recovery efforts through their treatment program.
 - 6) Clients increased understanding of the health benefits of regular attendance at medical/dental appointments as identified by reported attendance at scheduled appointments.
 - 7) Clients increased understanding and reported/observed use of positive socialization skills.

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- 8) Clients increased understanding of options for MAT and its possible benefits.
- 9) For Youth and Young Adults in Early Intervention services, increased understanding of the detriments of substance use.
- 10) For Youth, reductions in school related problems.
- 11) For Youth, reductions in family conflicts.
- 12) For Recovery Services, clients who have been triggered or have relapsed have realized a decrease in symptoms.
- 13) For Recovery Services, clients have developed skills to deter triggers.

The Contractor shall work in collaboration with DBH so that Outcomes will be collected, reported and measured. Contractor may wish to use Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) developed National Outcome Measures (NOMs). The NOMs are designed to embody meaningful, real life outcomes for people who are striving to attain and sustain recovery.

- iv. Contractor shall submit annual written reports regarding outcomes specified in the QIP, objectives of the program, methods employed to resolve problems in achieving stated outcomes and objectives and any program modifications that occurred as a result of outcomes evaluated.

- Annual reports - due no later than thirty (30) calendar days after each fiscal year.

g. Staffing Requirements:

- i. Contractor shall be knowledgeable of trainings required based on regulations and/or guidelines for the level(s) of care provided and/or target populations served, and hire/train staff to meet these requirements. (For example; Youth treatment guidelines indicate specific trainings required for programs working with the youth population.)
- ii. Staffing levels must meet current requirements of the State of California, DHCS, and any pertinent regulation.
- iii. Contractor shall administer and manage staff, volunteers, and interns and provide management systems and have a written Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual.
- iv. Contractor shall be required to provide services in a culturally competent manner by recruiting, hiring and maintaining staff that

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can provide services to a diverse population.

- v. Contractor shall have a Medical Director who prior to the delivery of services has enrolled with DHCS under applicable state regulations and has been screened in accordance with 42 CFR 455.450(a).
- vi. All staff providing treatment services will be regular, paid employees. Interns and volunteers utilized in other areas of the program shall be supervised by regular qualified staff. Clients of the program may not substitute for regular staff, interns, or volunteers.
- vii. Contractor shall ensure at minimum one (1) program staff member certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and Basic First Aid shall be on-site to provide coverage all times clinics are open for services.
- viii. All staff/volunteers/interns providing services where clients receive treatment shall have the required criminal record review and clearance.
- ix. At least thirty (30) percent of staff providing counseling services in SUD programs shall be licensed or certified pursuant to Title 9, Section 13010 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR) and all other counseling staff shall be registered pursuant to Section 13035(f).
- x. At a minimum, all selected Contractor management and staff conducting assessments shall complete, prior to the delivery of client services, two (2) ASAM e-Training modules:
 - 1) ASAM Multidimensional Assessment
 - 2) From Assessment to Service Planning and Level of Care
A third module is highly recommended, but is not mandatory:
 - 3) Introduction to the ASAM Criteria.
- xi. Contractor shall provide all staff, volunteers, and interns regular and periodic training that covers the following and this shall be documented in the personnel file:
 - On site orientation (new hires only)
 - Emergency Procedures
 - Individual and Agency Emergency Preparedness
 - Emotional Responses to Emergency

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- Utility Shut-Off Procedures
 - Fire Suppression and Proper Use of Fire Extinguishers
- xii. All staff, volunteers, and interns shall be trained or have experience which provides knowledge of the skills required in the following areas, as appropriate to the job assigned, and as evidenced by safe and effective job performance and this shall be documented in the personnel file:
- General knowledge of substance use disorders and the principles of recovery
 - Principles of communicable disease prevention and control
 - Recognition of early signs of illness and the need for professional assistance
 - Availability of community services and resources
 - Recognition of individuals under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs
- xiii. All licensed, certified, or registered counseling staff, if applicable, shall enter their registration or certification information in the DBH Staff Master which is accessible at:
<https://staffmaster.dbh.sbcounty.gov/> and shall update registration or certification via the DBH Staff Master update at:
<https://staffmaster.dbh.sbcounty.gov/>.
- xiv. Contractor shall either adopt the DBH Code of Conduct or develop its own code of Conduct.
- 1) Should the Contractor develop its own code of conduct, Contractor shall submit their code prior to implementation, to the following DBH division for review and approval:

DBH Office of Compliance
550 Hospitality Lane, 1st Floor
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0075

Or send via email to: Compliance_Questions@dbh.sbcounty.gov.
 - 2) Contractor shall distribute the code of conduct annually.
 - 3) The code of conduct shall be signed by both the Contractor representative or designee, and all employees, subcontractors, interns, volunteers, physicians and members of Board of Directors indicating such persons

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have received, read, understand and will abide by said code.

- xv. Contractor shall develop, maintain and implement an ongoing training program which shall include but not be limited to participation in County sponsored and other cultural competency training for all staff/volunteers/interns in addition to specific training related to their duties or required for their professional license/certification or for target populations served.

Staff/volunteer/intern participation in training shall be documented and kept in the personnel file for three (3) years.

- xvi. Contractor shall maintain complete personnel files for all staff/volunteers/interns.
- xvii. Personnel files contain confidential information and shall be stored appropriately. They shall be made available to Federal or State DHCS or applicable agency(ies) and DBH staff in any monitoring or audit as requested.

E. SERVICE COORDINATION AND QUALITY ASSURANCE

DBH-SUDRS Administration shall monitor the progress and quality of care afforded each individual client through a quality improvement process in addition to an analysis of other client information made available through the computerized management information system. Contractor shall ensure that each client receives service at the appropriate ASAM Criteria level of care as determined by the comprehensive biopsychosocial assessment and continued evaluation of the individual client's needs. Contractor may appeal any recommended level of care through DBH- SUDRS Administration.

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SCHEDULE A

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
Substance Use Disorder and Recovery Services - Outpatient Contract
SCHEDULE A - Proposed Budget

BUDGET PERIOD: 7/1/26 - 6/30/27

5/1/2026-6/30/2026

Contractor Name:
 Facility Address:

VARP INC
 1136 E Highland Ave
 San Bernardino CA 92404

Prepared by: Raj Chidella
 Title: Financial Controller
 Date Prepared: 3/11/2026

Provider Number (36xx/86xx):
 Maximum Annual Obligation:

\$ 188,051

FUNDING SOURCE	Medi-Cal	Block Grant	Youth	AB109	CFS	CaWORKs	TOTAL
Level of Care							
Outpatient Drug Free (ODF)	\$ 42,312	\$ 8,462		\$ 2,821		\$ 2,821	\$ 56,415
Intensive Outpatient Treatment (IOT)	\$ 98,727	\$ 19,746		\$ 6,582		\$ 6,581	\$ 131,636
Stand Alone Services							
Medications for Addiction Treatment (MAT)							\$ -
Care Coordination							\$ -
Peer Support Services							\$ -
Recovery Services							\$ -
SUMMARY OF ALL SERVICES							
Total Cost of Services	\$ 141,039	\$ 28,208	\$ -	\$ 9,403	\$ -	\$ 9,402	\$ 188,051

* Round Costs to nearest dollar

APPROVED BY:			
<i>Raj Chidella</i>	Raj Chidella	03/16/26	DATE
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DBH PROVIDER SUPPORT AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME		
<i>Metra Jaber</i>	Metra Jaber	03/16/26	DATE
DBH PROGRAM MANAGER or DESIGNEE SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME		

Federal funds include:	CFDA Title	CFDA No.	Award Name	Federal Agency	Pass-through Agency
Substance Abuse Prevention & Treatment Block Grant		93.050	SABG	SAMHSA	State DHCS
Medi-Cal Assistance Program		93.778	DMC-ODS	DHHS	State DHCS

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BUDGET PERIOD: 7/1/26 - 6/30/27

7/1/26-6/30/2027

Contractor Name: VARP INC
Facility Address: 1136 E Highland Ave
 San Bernardino CA 92404

Provider Number (36xx/86xx):
Maximum Annual Obligation: \$ 1,128,308

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FUNDING SOURCE	Medi-Cal	Block Grant	Youth	AB109	CFS	CalWORKs	TOTAL
Level of Care							
Outpatient Drug Free (ODF)	\$ 192,310	\$ 37,444		\$ 3,594		\$ 3,594	\$ 236,943
Intensive Outpatient Treatment (IOT)	\$ 407,885	\$ 93,716		\$ 14,735		\$ 14,735	\$ 530,870
Stand Alone Services							
Medications for Addiction Treatment (MAT)	\$ 171,984	\$ 25,711		\$ 25,711		\$ 25,711	\$ 249,117
Care Coordination	\$ 74,252	\$ 12,375		\$ 12,375		\$ 12,375	\$ 111,378
Peer Support Services							\$ -
Recovery Services							\$ -
SUMMARY OF ALL SERVICES							
Total Cost of Services	\$ 846,231	\$ 169,246	\$ -	\$ 56,416	\$ -	\$ 56,416	\$ 1,128,308

* Round Costs to nearest dollar

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PROVIDER AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME	DATE
<i>Christopher M. Lukachie</i>	Christopher Lukachie	03/16/26
DBH PROVIDER SUPPORT AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME	DATE
<i>Motra Jabori</i>	Motra Jabori	03/16/26
DBH PROVIDER SUPPORT AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME	DATE

Federal funds include:	CFDA Title	CFDA No.	Award Name	Federal Agency	Pass-through Agency
	Substance Abuse Prevention & Treatment Block Grant	93.066	SABG	SAMHSA	State DHCS
	Medi-Cal Assistance Program	93.779	DMC-ODS	DHHS	State DHCS



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NOTICE OF PERSONAL RIGHTS

In accordance with the Department of Health Care Service (DHCS) Alcohol And/ Or Other Drug Program Certification Standards, Title 9, Chapter 4, § 10569, of the California Code of Regulations, and the DHCS Adolescent Substance Use Disorder Best Practices Guide each person receiving services from a Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment program shall have rights, which include, but are not limited to the following:

The Right To:

- Confidentiality as provided for in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and Title 42, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 2;
- Be accorded dignity in contact with staff, volunteers, board members, and other individuals/persons;
- Be accorded safe, healthful, and comfortable accommodations to meet their needs;
- Be free from verbal, emotional, or physical abuse, and/or inappropriate sexual behavior;
- Be informed by the program in writing of the procedures to file a grievance and/or appeal, including but not limited to, the address and telephone number of the Department of Health Care Services;
- Be free from discrimination based on any protected class under Federal or State law, including sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, ethnic group identification, age, mental disability, physical disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, gender, gender identity, or sexual orientation, or ability to pay;
- Be accorded access to the individual's file;
- To take medications prescribed by a licensed medical professional for medical, mental health, or substance use disorders;
- Be free to attend religious services or activities of his/her choice and to have visits from a spiritual advisor provided that these services or activities do not conflict with program requirements. Participation in religious services is voluntary;
- Be referred to another program should they object to the religious nature of any program in accordance with Title 42, Part 54;
- Receive information on available treatment options and alternatives, presented in a manner appropriate to their condition and ability to understand;
- To be informed by the treatment provider of all aspects of treatment recommended, including the option of no treatment, risks of treatment, and expected result or results.
- Participate in decisions regarding their health care, including the right to refuse treatment and to express preferences about future treatment decisions;
- Be free from any form of restraint or seclusion used as a means of coercion, discipline, convenience, or retaliation;
- Exercise their rights, and that the exercise of those rights does not adversely affect the way they are treated;
- To be treated for life-threatening, chronic disease of substance use disorder with honesty, respect, and dignity, including privacy in treatment and care of personal needs;
- To be treated by treatment providers with qualified staff;
- To receive evidence-based treatment;
- To be treated simultaneously for co-occurring behavioral health conditions when medically appropriate and the treatment provider is authorized to treat co-occurring conditions;
- To receive individualized, outcome-driven treatment plan;
- To remain in treatment for as long as the treatment provider is authorized to treat the client;
- To receive support, education, and treatment for their families and loved ones, if the treatment provider is authorized to provide these services;

- To receive ethical care that covers and ensures full compliance with the requirements set forth in Chapter 5 of division 4 of Title 9 of the California Code of Regulations and the alcohol and other drug program certification standards adopted in accordance with § 11830.1, if applicable;
- If the privacy rule, as set forth in 45 CFR parts 160 and 164 subparts A and E, applies, request and receive a copy of his or her medical records, and request that they be amended or corrected, as specified in 45 CFR § 164.524 and 164.526, and
- To have the right to be furnished health care services in accordance with 42 CFR §438.206 through §438.210.

In addition to the rights listed above, adolescents and caregivers also have the right to:

- All information pertaining to the adolescent's rights, responsibilities, and grievance procedures should be delivered in a culturally, linguistically, developmentally, age, and literacy-appropriate manner, with interpretation assistance provided as needed;
- The program's rules and rights should be posted visibly at the program site, and a copy will be given to adolescents and their families;
- Any rules, consequences, or disciplinary actions should be clearly stated, developmentally appropriate, nonviolent, non-aversive, and free from practices of seclusion and restraint;
- All adolescents and families provided services should be given a written confidentiality notice with their signature to indicate its receipt;
- The adolescent and family will be notified about mandatory reporting of child or elder abuse and the procedures required;
- The provider's staff should be trained on program rules, policies, and procedures pertaining to rights, complaints, grievance procedures, and legal issues (e.g., juvenile justice, child welfare) and maintain documentation thereof;
- Relationships between adolescents and providers' staff should be free from corporal or unusual punishment, exploitation, prejudice, infliction of pain, humiliation, intimidation, ridicule, coercion, threat, sexual harassment, mental abuse, or other actions of a punitive nature;
- Providers should have a written code of ethics statement that will be signed by each staff member and kept in their personnel files;
- Adolescents have the right to be treated ethically, professionally, and with respect by all staff members, and
- Adolescents and their families will be informed by the provider about how to register complaints or grievances.

NOTICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

What are civil rights?

Civil rights are personal rights guaranteed and protected by the U.S. Constitution and federal laws enacted by Congress, such as Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title 9, § 10800, of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act (ACA 1557). Civil rights include protection from unlawful discrimination.

The Health and Human Services (HHS) Office for Civil Rights (OCR) enforces civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability, age, sex, and, in some cases, religion by certain health care and human services entities:

- State and local social and health services agencies;
- Clinics, and
- Other entities receiving federal financial assistance from HHS.

Under these laws, all persons in the United States have a right to receive health care and human services in a nondiscriminatory manner. All persons have the right to file a discrimination grievance with the Department of Behavioral Health, DHCS Office of Civil Rights, and the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights (OCR). For example, you cannot be denied services or benefits simply because of your race, color, national origin, sex, gender identity, age, disability, or limited English proficiency (LEP).

What can I do if my civil rights have been violated?

If you feel a health care provider, human services agency, or program or activity conducted by HHS has unlawfully discriminated against you (or someone else), you may file an ACA1557 grievance form with the DBH ACA 1557 Coordinator. If after the review, you feel the issue was not resolved you may then file a complaint with the Office of Civil Rights (OCR).

What is the time limit for filing a civil rights complaint?

ACA 1557 Grievances Must be submitted to the ACA 1557 Coordinator within sixty (60) days of the date the person filing the grievance becomes aware of the alleged discriminatory action;

OCR Complaints must be filed within 180 days from the date of the alleged discrimination. (The Office for Civil Rights may extend this period if there is good cause.)

Where do I file a civil rights complaint?

You can file your ACA1557 Grievance by completing the approved [ACA 1557 Grievance Form](#) and emailing to aca_1557@dbh.sbcounty.gov, or you can also mail your grievance:

Attn: ACA 1557 Coordinator
303 E. Vanderbilt Way, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0026

If assistance is needed in completing the form, the complainant may also call the ACA 1557 Coordinator at (909) 386-8223 (TTY: 711).

You can file your complaint against an HHS entity via the OCR Complaint Portal, at OCRCComplaint@hhs.gov, or you can also mail or fax your complaint:

U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services
200 Independence Ave SW.
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, DC, 20201
Voice Phone (800) 368-1019, FAX (202) 619-3818, TDD (800) 537-7697

OCR complaints may be filed at https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/cp/complaint_frontpage.jsf

For further information go to:

- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services website at: <https://www.hhs.gov/civil-rights>

COMPLAINTS:

The Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) and its contracted providers comply with all State and Federal civil rights laws. DBH investigates complaints/grievances filed by clients receiving Behavioral Health (mental health and/or substance use disorder) services provided by the County or its contracted providers. If you wish to file a complaint or grievance, please contact:

Department of Behavioral Health, ACCESS Unit
303 E. Vanderbilt Way, 3rd Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92418-0026
Phone: (888) 743-1478 or (909) 386-8256, [TDD] 711, Fax: (909) 501-0833.

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Compliance Division investigates complaints against California's alcohol and other drug (AOD) recovery and treatment programs. The SUD Compliance Division also investigates violations of the code of conduct of registered or certified AOD counselors.

If you wish to file a complaint with DHCS about a licensed, certified AOD drug service provider OR a registered or certified counselor you can do so via mail, fax, or by using the online Complaint Form, at: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Sud-Complaints>

You can print the form and mail or fax to:

Department of Health Care Services, Substance Use Disorder Services
P.O. Box 997413, MS# 2601
Sacramento, CA 95899-7413
Or by calling toll free (877) 685-8333
Fax (916) 440-5094
E-mail: sudcomplaints@dhcs.ca.gov

Complaints for Residential Adult Alcoholism or Drug Abuse Recovery or Treatment Facilities may be made by telephoning the appropriate licensing branch: DHCS - SUD Compliance Division, Public Number: (916) 322-2911, Toll Free Number: (877) 685-8333

For complaints pertaining to the DHCS - Driving Under the Influence (DUI) Program complete the online Complaint Form at: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Sud-Complaints.aspx>. You may contact the DUI Program Branch directly, Public Number: (916) 322-2964, FAX Number: (916) 440-5229

For complaints pertaining to a Narcotic Treatment Program (NTP) complete the online Complaint Form at: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Sud-Complaints.aspx>. You may contact the NTP Branch: Public Number: (916) 322-6682, Fax Number: (916) 440-5230

CLIENT CERTIFICATION

I have been provided information regarding my personal/civil rights and how I can file a complaint/grievance with any of the following organizations if I feel any of my rights have been violated:

- The Department of Behavioral Health (DBH)
- The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)
- U.S Department of Health and Human Services (for civil rights complaints) (HHS-OCR)

I have been informed that I can ask for additional information or assistance in filing a complaint/grievance at any time.

I have been informed of my personal and civil rights, and a written copy has been provided to me.

Print Client Name	Client Signature	Date



AVISO SOBRE DERECHOS PERSONALES

De acuerdo con las normas de certificación de programas por consumo de alcohol u otras drogas del Departamento de Servicios de Atención Médica (DHCS), Título 9, Capítulo 4, Sección 10569 del Código de Regulaciones de California, y la Guía de buenas prácticas sobre el trastorno de consumo de sustancias en adolescentes del DHCS, toda persona que recibe servicios de un programa de tratamiento de un trastorno por consumo de sustancias (SUD) tendrá derechos, que incluyen, entre otros, los siguientes:

El derecho a lo siguiente:

- Mantener la confidencialidad según lo que se dispone en la Ley de Responsabilidad y Portabilidad del Seguro de Salud (HIPAA) de 1996 y la Parte 2 del Título 42 del Código de Regulaciones Federales (CFR).
- Recibir trato digno por parte del personal, los voluntarios, los miembros de la junta profesional y otros individuos/personas.
- Recibir un alojamiento seguro, saludable y cómodo que satisfaga sus necesidades.
- No ser víctima de abuso verbal, emocional o físico ni de comportamientos sexuales inapropiados.
- Recibir información por escrito del programa sobre los procedimientos para presentar un reclamo formal o apelación, incluidos, entre otros, la dirección y el número de teléfono del Departamento de Servicios de Atención Médica.
- No ser discriminado según la ley federal o estatal por motivos de sexo, raza, color, religión, ascendencia, nacionalidad, identificación de grupo étnico, edad, discapacidad mental, discapacidad física, afección médica, información genética, estado civil, género, identidad de género u orientación sexual y capacidad de pago.
- Acceder al expediente del individuo.
- Acceder a medicamentos recetados por un profesional médico con licencia por trastornos médicos, de salud mental o por consumo de sustancias.
- Tener la libertad de asistir a servicios religiosos o actividades de su elección y tener visitas de un orientador espiritual, siempre que estos servicios o actividades no entren en conflicto con los requisitos del programa. La participación en los servicios religiosos es voluntaria.
- Ser remitido a otro programa si se opone a la naturaleza religiosa de algún programa de conformidad con el Título 42, Parte 54.
- Recibir información sobre las opciones y alternativas de tratamiento disponibles, presentadas de una manera apropiada para su condición y su capacidad de entendimiento.
- Participar en las decisiones sobre su atención médica, incluido el derecho a negarse a recibir tratamiento y a expresar sus preferencias sobre las decisiones de tratamiento en el futuro.
- Estar libre de cualquier forma de restricción o aislamiento que se utilice como medio de coerción, disciplina, conveniencia o represalia.
- Ejercer sus derechos y que el ejercicio de esos derechos no afecte de forma negativa la manera en que se lo trata.
- Recibir tratamiento de proveedores que tengan personal calificado.
- Recibir tratamiento respaldado por evidencia.
- Recibir tratamiento simultáneo para problemas de salud mental concomitantes cuando sea adecuado por razones médicas y el proveedor del tratamiento esté autorizado a tratar afecciones concomitantes.
- Tener un plan de tratamiento personalizado basado en resultados.
- Recibir tratamiento durante el tiempo que el proveedor del tratamiento esté autorizado a tratar al cliente.
- Recibir apoyo, educación y tratamiento para sus familiares y seres queridos si el proveedor del tratamiento está autorizado a brindar estos servicios.

- Recibir cuidados éticos que incluyan y garanticen el total cumplimiento de los requisitos descritos en el Capítulo 5 de la división 4 del Título 9 del Código de Regulaciones de California y en las normas de certificación de programas por consumo de alcohol u otras drogas adoptados de acuerdo con la Sección 11830.1, si corresponde.
- Solicitar y recibir una copia de su expediente clínico, y solicitar que se modifique o se corrija según sea necesario, de acuerdo con lo que se especifica en el Título 45 del CFR, de la Sección 164.524 y 164.526, si se aplica la norma de privacidad como se describe en las subpartes A y E de las partes 160 y 164 de dicho título.
- Recibir servicios de atención médica de acuerdo con el Título 42 del CFR, de la Sección 438.206 a la Sección 438.210.

Además de los derechos que se presentan arriba, los adolescentes y los cuidadores también tienen los siguientes derechos:

- Toda la información con respecto a los derechos y las obligaciones del adolescente y los procedimientos de reclamo formal debe presentarse de una manera apropiada para su cultura, lengua, desarrollo, edad y alfabetización, y se debe prestar ayuda para su interpretación, si es necesario.
- Las normas y los derechos del programa deben publicarse de manera visible en el sitio del programa, y se dará una copia a los adolescentes y sus familias.
- Toda norma, consecuencia o medida disciplinaria debe estar claramente indicada, ser apropiada conforme al desarrollo, no debe ser violenta ni producir aversión, y debe estar libre de prácticas de aislamiento y restricción.
- Todos los adolescentes y las familias que reciban servicios deberán recibir un aviso de confidencialidad por escrito, que debe tener su firma para indicar que lo han recibido.
- Se le notificará al adolescente y a su familia sobre la presentación obligatoria de informes de abuso de menores o de adultos mayores, y los procedimientos requeridos.
- El personal del proveedor debe recibir capacitación sobre las normas, las políticas y los procedimientos del programa con respecto a los derechos, las quejas, los procedimientos de reclamo formal y los asuntos legales (por ejemplo, la justicia para menores y la asistencia para menores), y mantener la documentación sobre todos ellos.
- Los vínculos entre los adolescentes y el personal del proveedor deben estar libres de castigos corporales o inusuales, explotación, prejuicio, imposición de dolor, humillación, intimidación, burlas, coerción, amenazas, acoso sexual, abuso mental u otras acciones de carácter punitivo.
- Los proveedores deben contar con una declaración por escrito del código de ética que será firmada por cada miembro del personal y se conservará en los expedientes del personal.
- Los adolescentes tienen derecho a ser tratados con ética, profesionalismo y respeto por parte de todos los miembros del personal.
- El proveedor informará a los adolescentes y sus familias sobre cómo registrar quejas o reclamos formales.

AVISO SOBRE DERECHOS CIVILES

¿Qué son los derechos civiles?

Los derechos civiles son derechos personales garantizados y protegidos por la Constitución de los EE. UU. y las leyes federales aprobadas por el Congreso, como el Título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, la Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, la Sección 10800, del el Título 9 de la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades de 1990 y la Sección 1557 de la Ley de Cuidado de Salud a Bajo Precio (ACA 1557). Entre los derechos civiles, se incluye la protección contra la discriminación ilegal.

La Oficina de Derechos Civiles (OCR) del Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos (HHS) garantiza el cumplimiento de las leyes de derechos civiles que prohíben la discriminación por motivos de raza, color, nacionalidad, discapacidad, edad, sexo y, en algunos casos, la religión por parte de ciertas entidades de atención médica y servicios humanos, como las siguientes:

- Agencias estatales y locales de servicios sociales y de salud.
- Clínicas.
- Otras entidades que reciben ayuda económica federal del Departamento de HHS.

En virtud de estas leyes, todas las personas de los Estados Unidos tienen derecho a recibir servicios de atención médica y servicios humanos sin discriminación. Todas las personas tienen derecho a presentar un reclamo formal por discriminación ante el Departamento de Salud Mental, la Oficina de Derechos Civiles del DHCS y la Oficina de Derechos Civiles (OCR) del Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos de los Estados Unidos. Por ejemplo, no se le pueden negar servicios o beneficios simplemente por su raza, color, nacionalidad, sexo, identidad de género, edad, discapacidad ni dominio limitado del inglés (LEP).

¿Qué puedo hacer si se han violado mis derechos civiles?

Si siente que un proveedor de atención médica, una agencia de servicios humanos o un programa o actividad dirigida por el Departamento de HHS lo ha discriminado de manera ilegítima (a usted o a alguien más), puede presentar un formulario de reclamo formal en virtud de la ACA 1557 ante el Coordinador de la ACA 1557 del Departamento de Salud Mental (DBH). Si, después de la revisión, siente que el asunto no se resolvió, puede presentar una queja ante la Oficina de Derechos Civiles (OCR).

¿Cuál es el tiempo límite para presentar una queja por derechos civiles?

Los reclamos formales en virtud de la ACA 1557 deben presentarse ante el Coordinador de la ACA 1557 dentro de los sesenta (60) días posteriores a la fecha en que la persona que presenta el reclamo formal tome consciencia de la presunta acción discriminadora.

Las quejas ante la OCR deben presentarse dentro de los 180 días de la fecha de la presunta discriminación. (La Oficina de Derechos Civiles puede ampliar este plazo por motivos válidos).

¿Dónde presento una queja por derechos civiles?

Puede presentar su reclamo formal en virtud de la ACA 1557 si completa el [Formulario de reclamo formal en virtud de la ACA 1557](#) aprobado y lo envía por correo electrónico a aca_1557@dbh.sbcounty.gov o puede enviar su reclamo formal por correo a la siguiente dirección:

Attn: ACA 1557 Coordinator
303 E. Vanderbilt Way, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0026

Si se necesita ayuda para llenar el formulario, el reclamante también puede llamar al Coordinador de la ACA 1557 al (909) 386-8223 (TTY: 711).

Puede presentar su queja contra una entidad del Departamento de HHS a través del Portal de Quejas de la OCR, por correo electrónico a OCRComplaint@hhs.gov o bien puede enviar su queja por correo o fax a la siguiente dirección:

U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services
200 Independence Ave SW.
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, DC, 20201
Teléfono: (800) 368-1019; fax: (202) 619-3818; TDD: (800) 537-7697

Las quejas ante la OCR pueden presentarse en https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/cp/complaint_frontpage.jsf

Para obtener más información:

- Visite el sitio web del Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos de los Estados Unidos: <https://www.hhs.gov/civil-rights>

QUEJAS:

El Departamento de Salud Mental (DBH) y sus proveedores contratados cumplen con todas las leyes estatales y federales de derechos civiles. El DBH investiga las quejas y reclamos formales que presentan los clientes que recibieron servicios de salud mental (por trastornos de salud mental o por consumo de sustancias) proporcionados por el condado o sus proveedores contratados. Si desea presentar una queja o reclamo formal, comuníquese con:

Department of Behavioral Health, ACCESS Unit
303 E. Vanderbilt Way, 3rd Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92418-0026
Teléfono: (888) 743-1478 o (909) 386-8256, [TDD] 711; fax: (909) 890-0353

La División de Cumplimiento sobre Trastornos por Consumo de Sustancias (SUD) del Departamento de Servicios de Atención Médica (DHCS) investiga las quejas contra los programas de recuperación y tratamiento en relación con alcohol y otras drogas (AOD) de California. La División de Cumplimiento sobre los SUD también investiga las infracciones del código de conducta de orientadores sobre AOD registrados o certificados.

Si desea presentar una queja ante el DHCS acerca de un proveedor de servicios sobre AOD con licencia o certificación O un orientador registrado o certificado, puede hacerlo por correo, por fax o mediante el Formulario de quejas en línea que está disponible en: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Sud-Complaints>.

Puede imprimir el formulario y enviarlo por correo o fax a:

Department of Health Care Services, Substance Use Disorder Services
P.O. Box 997413, MS# 2601
Sacramento, CA 95899-7413
O llamar a la línea gratuita (877) 685-8333
Fax: (916) 440-5094
Correo electrónico: sudcomplaints@dhcs.ca.gov

Las quejas sobre establecimientos residenciales de recuperación o tratamiento para adultos por alcoholismo o abuso de drogas pueden realizarse llamando a la división de licencias correspondiente: División de Cumplimiento sobre SUD del DHCS; número público: (916) 322-2911, número gratuito: (877) 685-8333

Para las quejas pertinentes al Programa contra la Conducción Bajo los Efectos del Alcohol o las Drogas (DUI) del DHCS, llene el Formulario de quejas en línea en: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Sud-Complaints.aspx>. Puede comunicarse con la división del Programa contra la DUI de manera directa. Número público: (916) 322-2964, número de fax: (916) 440-5229

Para las quejas pertinentes al Programa de Tratamiento de Narcóticos (NTP), complete el Formulario de quejas en línea en: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Sud-Complaints.aspx>. Puede comunicarse con la división del NTP. Número público: (916) 322-6682, número de fax: (916) 440-5230

CERTIFICACIÓN DEL CLIENTE

Se me ha proporcionado información con respecto a mis derechos personales y civiles, y cómo puedo presentar una queja o reclamo formal ante cualquiera de las siguientes organizaciones si siento que se ha violado alguno de mis derechos:

- El Departamento de Salud Mental (DBH)
- El Departamento de Servicios de Atención Médica (DHCS)
- El Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos de los Estados Unidos (HHS-OCR) (para quejas por derechos civiles)

Se me ha informado que puedo pedir más información o ayuda para presentar una queja o reclamo formal en cualquier momento.

Nombre del cliente en letra de imprenta	Firma del cliente	Fecha
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根据卫生保健服务部 (DHCS) 酒精和/或其他药物计划认证标准, 《加州法规》第 9 篇第 4 章第 10569 节, 以及《DHCS 青少年物质使用障碍 (SUD) 最佳实践指南》, 每个接受物质使用障碍治疗计划服务的人都应享有以下权利, 包括但不限于:

权利:

- 《1996 年健康保险可携性与责任法案》(HIPAA) 和《美国联邦法规》(CFR) 第 42 篇第 2 部分规定的保密性;
- 在与工作人员、志愿者、董事会成员和其他个人/人士接触时享有尊严的权利;
- 获得满足其需求的安全、健康和舒适特殊照顾的权利;
- 免受口头、情感或身体虐待和/或不当性行为的权利;
- 有权通过程序书面了解提出申诉和/或上诉的程序, 包括但不限于卫生保健服务部的地址和电话号码;
- 不受联邦或州法律规定的任何受保护阶层歧视的权利, 包括性别、种族、肤色、宗教、血统、国籍、族群认同、年龄、心理残疾、生理残疾、医疗状况、基因信息、婚姻状况、性别、性别认同或性取向或支付能力;
- 有权查阅个人档案;
- 有权服用有执照的医疗专业人员针对医疗、心理健康或物质使用障碍开出的药物。
- 有权自由参加他/她选择的宗教服务或活动, 并获得心理顾问的就诊, 前提是这些服务或活动不与计划要求冲突。有权自愿参加宗教仪式;
- 根据第 42 篇第 54 部分, 如果其反对任何计划的宗教性质, 他们有权被转介至另一个计划;
- 有权获得有关可用治疗方案和替代方案的信息, 这些信息以适合其状况和理解能力的方式呈现;
- 有权参与有关其医疗保健的决定, 包括拒绝治疗和表达对日后治疗决定的偏好的权利;
- 有权不受作为胁迫、惩戒、便利或报复手段的任何形式的约束或隔离;
- 有权行使他们的权利, 行使这些权利不会对他们的待遇产生不利影响;
- 有权接受由合格人员提供的治疗机构的治疗;
- 有权接受循证治疗;
- 有权在医学上适当且治疗提供方被授权治疗并发症的情况下, 同时接受并发行为健康疾病的治疗;
- 有权接受个人化的、以结果为导向的治疗计划;
- 有权在治疗提供者授权治疗客户的期限内继续接受治疗;
- 如果治疗提供方被授权提供支持、教育和治疗, 他们的家人和亲人有权获得这些服务;
- 有权接受符合道德标准的护理, 包括并确保完全符合《加州法规》第 9 篇第 4 部分第 5 章规定的要求, 以及根据第 11830.1 节通过的酒精和其他药物项目认证标准 (如适用);
- 如果《美国联邦法规》第 45 篇第 160 和 164 部分 A 和 E 小节规定的隐私规则适用, 其有权要求并获得其医疗记录的副本, 并要求按照《美国联邦法规》第 45 篇第 164.524 和 164.526 节的规定对其医疗记录进行修改或更正, 以及
- 有权获得符合《美国联邦法规》第 42 篇第 438.206 节至第 438.210 节规定的医疗服务。

除上述权利外, 青少年和看护人还有以下权利:

- 所有与青少年权利、责任和申诉程序有关的信息都应以文化、语言、发育、年龄和读写能力相适应的方式提供, 并根据需要提供口译协助;
- 计划的规则和权利应张贴在计划现场的醒目位置, 并发放副本给青少年及其家人;
- 任何规则、后果或纪律处分都应以适合发展、非暴力、非厌恶的方式明确说明, 并且不存在隔离和约束的做法;

- 所有获得服务的青少年和家庭都应收到一份书面保密通知，并由他们签名以表明已收到；
- 将通知青少年和家庭关于虐待儿童或老人的强制报告以及所需的程序；
- 提供者的员工应接受有关权利、投诉、申诉程序和法律问题（例如，少年司法、儿童福利）的计划规则、政策和程序的培训，并存档相关文件；
- 青少年与提供者工作人员之间的关系不应存在体罚或不寻常的惩罚、剥削、偏见、施加痛苦、羞辱、恐吓、嘲笑、胁迫、威胁、性骚扰、精神虐待或其他惩罚行为；
- 提供者应有一份书面的道德规范声明，由每位员工签名并保存在他们的人事档案中；
- 青少年有权受到所有工作人员的符合道德、专业和尊重的对待
- 提供者将告知青少年及其家人如何登记投诉或申诉。

公民权利通知

什么是公民权利？

公民权利是美国宪法和国会制定的联邦法律保障和保护的个人权利，例如 1964 年《民权法案》第六篇、1973 年《康复法案》第 504 节、1990 年《美国残疾人法案》第 9 篇第 10800 节以及《平价医疗法案》第 1557 节 (ACA 1557)。

卫生与公众服务部 (HHS) 民权办公室 (OCR) 执行民权法，禁止某些医疗保健和公共服务实体基于种族、肤色、原国籍、残疾、年龄、性别以及在某些情况下基于宗教的歧视：

- 州和地方社会和卫生服务机构；
- 诊所，和
- 从 HHS 获得联邦财政援助的其他实体。

根据这些法律，美国的所有人都享有以非歧视的方式获得医疗保健和公共服务。所有人都有权向行为健康部、DHCS 民权办公室和美国卫生与公众服务部民权办公室 (OCR) 提出歧视申诉。例如，您不能仅因为您的种族、肤色、原国籍、性别、性别认同、年龄、残疾或英语水平有限 (LEP) 而被拒绝提供服务或福利。

如果我的公民权利受到侵犯，我该怎么办？

如果您认为卫生与公众服务部 (HHS) 管辖的医疗保健提供者、公共服务机构或计划或活动对您（或其他人）进行非法歧视，您可以向 DBH ACA 1557 协调员提交 ACA1557 申诉。如果审查后你认为问题没有得到解决，您可以向公民权利办公室 (OCR) 投诉。

提出公民权利投诉的时限为多久？

ACA 1557 申诉必须在提出申诉之人意识到所谓歧视行为之日起六十 (60) 天内提交给 ACA 1557 协调员；

OCR 投诉必须在涉嫌歧视之日起 180 天内提交。（如果有正当理由，民权办公室可能会延长此期限。）

我在何处提出公民权利投诉？

您可以通过填写批准的 [ACA 1557 申诉表](#) 并通过电子邮件发送至 aca_1557@dbh.sbcounty.gov 来提交您的 ACA1557 申诉，或者您也可以邮寄您的申诉：

收件人：ACA 1557 协调员
303 E. Vanderbilt Way, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0026

如果在填写表格时需要帮助，投诉人也可以致电 (909) 386-8223 (TTY: 711) 与 ACA 1557 协调员联系。

您可以通过 OCR 投诉门户网站 OCRComplaint@hhs.gov 对 HHS 实体提出投诉，或者您也可以邮寄或传真您的投诉：

U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services
200 Independence Ave SW.
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, DC, 20201
语音电话 (800) 368-1019, 传真 (202) 619-3818, TDD (800) 537-7697

OCR 投诉可在 https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/cp/complaint_frontpage.jsf 提交

如需更多信息, 请访问:

- 美国卫生与公共服务部网站: <https://www.hhs.gov/civil-rights>

投诉:

行为健康部 (DBH) 及其签约提供者遵守所有州和联邦民权法。针对接受县或其签约提供者提供的行为健康 (心理健康和/或物质使用障碍) 服务的客户提出的投诉/申诉, DBH 对其进行调查。如果您想提出投诉或申诉, 请联系:

Department of Behavioral Health, ACCESS Unit
303 E. Vanderbilt Way, 3rd Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92418-0026
电话: (888) 743-1478 或 (909) 386-8256, [TDD] 711, 传真: (909) 890-0353

卫生保健服务部 (DHCS) 物质使用障碍 (SUD) 合规部负责调查针对加州酒精和其他药物 (AOD) 康复和治疗计划的投诉。物质使用障碍 (SUD) 合规部还负责调查注册或认证加州酒精和其他药物 (AOD) 顾问违反行为守则的行为。

如果您希望向 DHCS 提交有关获得授权、认证的 AOD 药物服务提供者或注册或认证顾问的投诉, 您可以通过邮件、传真或使用在线投诉表进行投诉, 网址为: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Sud-Complaints>

您可以打印表格并邮寄或传真至:

Department of Health Care Services, Substance Use Disorder Services
P.O.Box 997413, MS# 2601
Sacramento, CA 95899-7413
或拨打免费电话 (877) 685-8333
传真 (916) 440-5094
电子邮件: sudcomplaints@dhcs.ca.gov

可致电相应的授权分支机构来投诉住院成人酗酒或药物滥用治疗或康复设施: DHCS - SUD 合规部, 公共号码: (916) 322-2911, 免费电话: (877) 685-8333

对于与 DHCS - 酒后驾车 (DUI) 计划有关的投诉, 请填写在线投诉表, 网址为: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Sud-Complaints.aspx>。可直接联系酒后驾车计划分部, 公共号码: (916) 322-2964, 传真号码: (916) 440-5229

对于与麻醉品治疗计划 (NTP) 有关的投诉, 请填写在线投诉表, 网址为: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Sud-Complaints.aspx>。您可以联系 NTP 分部: 公共号码: (916) 322-6682, 传真号码: (916) 440-5230

客户认证

本人已获得有关本人的个人/公民权利的信息，以及如果本人觉得本人的任何权利受到侵犯，本人如何向以下任何组织提出投诉/申诉：

- 行为健康部 (DBH)
- 医疗保健服务部 (DHCS)
- 美国卫生与公共服务部（针对民权投诉）(HHS-OCR)

本人已获悉，本人可以随时要求提供更多信息或获得提出投诉/申诉的协助。

工整的客户姓名

客户签名

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THÔNG BÁO VỀ CÁC QUYỀN CÁ NHÂN

Theo Các Tiêu Chuẩn Chứng Nhận Chương Trình Rượu Và/Hoặc Chất Gây Nghiện của Sơ Dịch Vụ Chăm Sóc Sức Khỏe (DHCS, Khoản 9, Chương 4, § 10569, của Các Quy Định của California, và Hướng Dẫn Thực Hành Tốt Nhất về Rối Loạn Do Lạm Dụng Chất Gây Nghiện Ở Thanh Thiếu Niên của DHCS, mỗi người nhận các dịch vụ từ chương trình điều trị Rối Loạn Do Lạm Dụng Chất Gây Nghiện (SUD) sẽ có các quyền, bao gồm nhưng không giới hạn ở những quyền sau đây:

Quyền Được:

- Bảo mật thông tin như được quy định trong Đạo Luật về Trách Nhiệm Giải Trình và Cung Cấp Thông Tin Bảo Hiểm Y Tế năm 1996 (HIPAA) và Khoản 42, Các Quy Định Của Liên Bang (CFR), Phần 2;
- Được nhân viên, tình nguyện viên, thành viên hội đồng quản trị, và những người khác tôn trọng nhân phẩm;
- Được cung cấp chỗ ở an toàn, có lợi cho sức khỏe và thoải mái để đáp ứng các nhu cầu của họ;
- Không bị ngược đãi bằng lời, tinh cảm, hoặc thân thể, và/hoặc hành vi tình dục không thích hợp;
- Được chương trình thông tin bằng văn bản về các thủ tục nộp đơn khiếu nại và/hoặc kháng nghị, bao gồm nhưng không giới hạn ở địa chỉ và số điện thoại của Sơ Dịch Vụ Chăm Sóc Sức Khỏe;
- Không bị phân biệt đối xử dựa trên bất kỳ đặc điểm nào được bảo vệ theo luật Liên Bang hoặc Tiểu Bang, bao gồm giới tính, chủng tộc, màu da, tôn giáo, tổ tiên, nguồn gốc quốc gia, nhân dạng nhóm sắc tộc, tuổi tác, khuyết tật tâm thần, khuyết tật thể chất, bệnh trạng, thông tin di truyền, tình trạng hôn nhân, giới tính, bản dạng giới, hoặc thiên hướng tình dục, hoặc khả năng chi trả;
- Được cấp quyền tiếp cận hồ sơ của cá nhân đó;
- Sử dụng thuốc do một chuyên gia y tế được cấp phép kê toa để điều trị các rối loạn y tế, sức khỏe tâm thần, hoặc do lạm dụng chất gây nghiện.
- Được tự do tham dự các buổi lễ hoặc hoạt động tôn giáo theo lựa chọn của họ và được một cố vấn tâm linh đến thăm với điều kiện là các dịch vụ hoặc hoạt động này không mâu thuẫn với các yêu cầu của chương trình. Việc tham gia các buổi lễ tôn giáo là tự nguyện;
- Được giới thiệu đến một chương trình khác nếu họ phản đối bản chất tôn giáo của bất kỳ chương trình nào theo Khoản 42, Phần 54;
- Nhận thông tin về các phương án điều trị và biện pháp thay thế khả dụng, được trình bày theo cách thích hợp với điều kiện và khả năng hiểu của họ;
- Tham gia các quyết định liên quan đến việc chăm sóc sức khỏe của họ, bao gồm quyền từ chối điều trị và bày tỏ mong muốn về các quyết định điều trị trong tương lai;
- Không bị hạn chế ở bất kỳ hình thức nào không cần thiết về mặt y tế hay bị cô lập được sử dụng làm một phương thức cưỡng ép, kỷ luật, sự thuận tiện cho nhân viên, hay trả đũa;
- Thực thi các quyền của họ, và việc thực thi các quyền đó không ảnh hưởng xấu đến cách họ được đối xử;
- Được điều trị bởi các nhà cung cấp dịch vụ điều trị với đội ngũ nhân viên có chuyên môn;
- Được điều trị dựa trên bằng chứng;
- Được điều trị đồng thời đối với các tình trạng sức khỏe hành vi khi thích hợp về mặt y tế và nhà cung cấp dịch vụ điều trị được ủy quyền điều trị các bệnh trạng đồng thời;
- Nhận được kế hoạch điều trị cá nhân hóa, hướng kết quả;
- Tiếp tục được điều trị trong thời gian mà nhà cung cấp dịch vụ điều trị được phép điều trị cho khách hàng;
- Nhận được sự hỗ trợ, giáo dục, và điều trị cho gia đình và người thân của họ, nếu nhà cung cấp dịch vụ điều trị được phép cung cấp các dịch vụ này;
- Nhận được sự chăm sóc có đạo đức bao gồm và đảm bảo tuân thủ đầy đủ các yêu cầu đặt ra trong Chương 5 tiêu mục 4 của Khoản 9 của Các Quy Định của California và các tiêu chuẩn chứng nhận chương trình điều trị lạm dụng rượu và ma túy khác được thông qua theo § 11830.1, nếu có;
- Nếu quy tắc về quyền riêng tư, như được quy định trong 45 CFR phần 160 và 164 tiêu phần A và E, áp dụng, yêu cầu và nhận bản sao hồ sơ y tế của họ, và yêu cầu sửa đổi hoặc chỉnh sửa chúng, như quy định trong 45 CFR § 164.524 và 164.526, và
- Có quyền được cung cấp các dịch vụ chăm sóc sức khỏe tuân thủ 42 CFR §438.206 đến §438.210.

Ngoài các quyền được liệt kê bên trên, thanh thiếu niên và người chăm sóc còn có quyền:

- Tất cả thông tin liên quan đến các quyền, trách nhiệm của thanh thiếu niên, và các thủ tục khiếu nại phải được cung cấp theo cách phù hợp về mặt văn hóa, ngôn ngữ, phát triển, độ tuổi, và khả năng đọc viết, với sự hỗ trợ phiên dịch được cung cấp khi cần thiết;
- Các quy tắc và quyền của chương trình phải được công bố rõ ràng tại địa điểm của chương trình, và một bản sao sẽ được cấp cho thanh thiếu niên và gia đình của họ;
- Bất kỳ quy tắc, hậu quả, hoặc biện pháp kỷ luật nào cũng phải được nêu rõ, phù hợp về mặt phát triển, không mang tính bạo lực, không gây ác cảm, và không có các hành động cô lập và kiểm chế;
- Tất cả thanh thiếu niên và gia đình được cung cấp dịch vụ phải được cung cấp một bản thông báo bảo mật thông tin bằng văn bản có chữ ký của họ để biết đã nhận được thông báo đó;
- Thanh thiếu niên và gia đình sẽ được thông báo về việc báo cáo bắt buộc về hành vi ngược đãi trẻ em hoặc người lớn tuổi và các thủ tục cần thiết;
- Nhân viên của nhà cung cấp dịch vụ phải được đào tạo về các quy tắc, chính sách, và thủ tục của chương trình liên quan đến các quyền, khiếu nại, thủ tục khiếu nại, và các vấn đề pháp lý (ví dụ như tư pháp vị thành niên, phúc lợi trẻ em) và lưu giữ tài liệu về chúng;
- Mọi quan hệ giữa thanh thiếu niên và nhân viên của nhà cung cấp dịch vụ không được cộ hình phạt thể xác hoặc bất thường, bóc lột, định kiến, gây đau đớn, si nhục, dọa nạt, chế giễu, ép buộc, đe dọa, quấy rối tình dục, lạm dụng tinh thần, hoặc các hành động khác có bản chất trừng phạt;
- Các nhà cung cấp dịch vụ phải có một bản tuyên bố quy tắc đạo đức bằng văn bản sẽ được ký bởi mỗi nhân viên và được lưu trong hồ sơ nhân sự của họ;
- Thanh thiếu niên có quyền được tất cả các nhân viên đối xử có đạo đức, chuyên nghiệp, và tôn trọng, và
- Thanh thiếu niên và gia đình của họ sẽ được nhà cung cấp dịch vụ thông báo về cách nộp đơn khiếu nại.

THÔNG BÁO VỀ DÂN QUYỀN

Dân quyền là gì?

Dân quyền là các quyền cá nhân được bảo đảm và bảo vệ bởi Hiến Pháp Hoa Kỳ và các điều luật liên bang do Quốc Hội ban hành, chẳng hạn như Khoản VI của Đạo Luật Dân Quyền năm 1964, Mục 504 của Đạo Luật Phục Hồi năm 1973, Khoản 9, § 10800, Đạo Luật về Người Mỹ Khuyết Tật năm 1990, và Mục 1557 của Đạo Luật Chăm Sóc Vừa Tới Tiên (ACA 1557) Dân quyền bao gồm quyền không bị phân biệt đối xử phi pháp.

Phòng Dân Quyền (OCR) của Bộ Y Tế và Dịch Vụ Nhân Sinh (HHS) thực thi các điều luật về dân quyền cấm phân biệt đối xử dựa trên chủng tộc, màu da, nguồn gốc quốc gia, tình trạng khuyết tật, tuổi tác, giới tính, và trong một số trường hợp, tôn giáo bởi các tổ chức chăm sóc sức khỏe và dịch vụ nhân sinh nhất định:

- Cơ quan dịch vụ xã hội và y tế của tiểu bang và địa phương;
- Phòng khám, và
- Tổ chức khác nhận hỗ trợ tài chính liên bang từ HHS.

Theo các điều luật này, tất cả mọi người ở Hoa Kỳ đều có quyền được chăm sóc sức khỏe và nhận các dịch vụ dân sinh theo cách không phân biệt đối xử. Tất cả mọi người đều có quyền nộp đơn khiếu nại về phân biệt đối xử cho Sở Sức Khỏe Hành Vi, Phòng Dân Quyền của DHCS, và Bộ Y Tế và Dịch Vụ Nhân Sinh Hoa Kỳ, Phòng Dân Quyền (OCR). Ví dụ, quý vị không thể bị từ chối các dịch vụ hoặc phúc lợi chỉ vì chủng tộc, màu da, nguồn gốc quốc gia, giới tính, bản dạng giới, tuổi tác, khuyết tật, hoặc trình độ tiếng Anh hạn chế (LEP).

Tôi có thể làm gì nếu dân quyền của tôi bị vi phạm?

Nếu quý vị thấy rằng một nhà cung cấp dịch vụ chăm sóc sức khỏe, cơ quan dịch vụ nhân sinh, hoặc chương trình hay hoạt động do HHS thực hiện đã phân biệt đối xử phi pháp đối với quý vị (hoặc một người khác), quý vị có thể nộp đơn khiếu nại ACA 1557 cho Điều Phối Viên DBH ACA 1557. Nếu sau khi xem xét, quý vị cảm thấy vấn đề không được giải quyết thì quý vị có thể nộp đơn khiếu nại cho Phòng Dân Quyền (OCR).

Thời hạn nộp đơn khiếu nại về dân quyền là gì?

Khiếu Nại ACA 1557 phải được nộp cho Điều Phối Viên ACA 1557 trong vòng sáu mươi (60) ngày kể từ ngày người nộp đơn khiếu nại biết về hành vi phân biệt đối xử bị cáo buộc;

Đơn Khiếu Nại OCR phải được nộp trong vòng 180 ngày kể từ ngày xảy ra hành vi phân biệt đối xử bị cáo buộc. (Phòng Dân Quyền có thể gia hạn thời gian này nếu có lý do chính đáng.)

Tôi có thể nộp khiếu nại về dân quyền ở đâu?

Quý vị có thể nộp Khiếu Nại ACA1557 bằng cách điền vào [Mẫu Đơn Khiếu Nại ACA 1557](#) đã được duyệt và gửi qua email đến aca_1557@dbh.sbcounty.gov, hoặc quý vị cũng có thể nộp khiếu nại qua đường bưu điện:

Attn: ACA 1557 Coordinator
303 E. Vanderbilt Way, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0026

Nếu cần hỗ trợ điền mẫu đơn, người khiếu nại cũng có thể gọi cho Điều Phối Viên ACA 1557 theo số (909) 386-8223 (TTY: 711).

Quý vị có thể nộp khiếu nại về một tổ chức HHS qua Công Khiếu Nại OCR, tại OCRComplaint@hhs.gov, hoặc quý vị cũng có thể gửi qua đường bưu điện hoặc fax khiếu nại:

U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services
200 Independence Ave SW.
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, DC, 20201
Điện Thoại (800) 368-1019, FAX (202) 619-3818, TDD (800) 537-7697

Có thể nộp khiếu nại OCR tại https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/cp/complaint_frontpage.jsf

Để biết thêm thông tin, hãy truy cập:

- Trang web của Bộ Y Tế và Dịch Vụ Nhân Sinh Hoa Kỳ tại: <https://www.hhs.gov/civil-rights>

KHIẾU NẠI:

Sở Sức Khỏe Hành Vi (DBH) và các nhà cung cấp theo hợp đồng của họ tuân thủ tất cả các điều luật về dân quyền của Tiểu Bang và Liên Bang. DBH điều tra các khiếu nại của khách hàng nhận các dịch vụ Sức Khỏe Hành Vi (sức khỏe tâm thần và/hoặc rối loạn do lạm dụng chất gây nghiện) do Quận hoặc các nhà cung cấp theo hợp đồng của họ cung cấp. Nếu quý vị muốn nộp đơn khiếu nại, vui lòng liên hệ:

Department of Behavioral Health, ACCESS Unit
303 E. Vanderbilt Way, 3rd Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92418-0026
Điện thoại: (888) 743-1478 hoặc (909) 386-8256, [TDD] 711, Fax: (909) 890-0353

Ban Tuân Thủ của Chương Trình Điều Trị Rối Loạn Do Lạm Dụng Chất Gây Nghiện (SUD) của Sở Dịch Vụ Chăm Sóc Sức Khỏe (DHCS) điều tra các khiếu nại về các chương trình điều trị và phục hồi liên quan đến lạm dụng rượu và chất gây nghiện khác (AOD) của California. Ban Tuân Thủ SUD cũng điều tra các hành vi vi phạm quy tắc ứng xử của các tư vấn viên AOD đã đăng ký hoặc có chứng nhận.

Nếu quý vị muốn nộp đơn khiếu nại cho DHCS về một nhà cung cấp dịch vụ AOD được cấp phép, có chứng nhận HOẶC một tư vấn viên có đăng ký hoặc có chứng nhận, quý vị có thể nộp khiếu nại qua đường bưu điện, fax, hoặc bằng cách sử dụng Mẫu Đơn Khiếu Nại trực tuyến, tại: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Sud-Complaints>

Quý vị có thể in mẫu đơn và gửi qua đường bưu điện hoặc fax đến:

Department of Health Care Services, Substance Use Disorder Services
P.O. Box 997413, MS# 2601
Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

Hoặc bằng cách gọi số miễn phí (877) 685-8333
Fax (916) 440-5094
Email: sudcomplaints@dhcs.ca.gov

Khiếu nại về các Cơ Sở Phục Hồi hoặc Điều Trị Nghiện Rượu hoặc Lạm Dụng Chất Gây Nghiện Dành Cho Người Trưởng Thành Tại Cơ Sở Nội Trú có thể được thực hiện bằng cách gọi điện thoại cho chi nhánh cấp phép thích hợp: DHCS - SUD Compliance Division, Số Công Khai: (916) 322-2911, Số Miễn Phí: (877) 685-8333

Đối với các khiếu nại liên quan đến Chương Trình Lái Xe Khi Bị Ảnh Hưởng Bởi Rượu/Chất Gây Nghiện (DUI) của DHCS, hãy điền vào Mẫu Đơn Khiếu Nại trực tuyến tại: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Sud-Complaints.aspx>. Quý vị có thể trực tiếp liên hệ với Chi Nhánh Chương Trình DUI, Số Công Khai: (916) 322-2964, Số FAX: (916) 440-5229

Đối với các khiếu nại liên quan đến Chương Trình Điều Trị Lạm Dụng Ma Túy (NTP), hãy điền Mẫu Đơn Khiếu Nại trực tuyến tại: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Sud-Complaints.aspx>. Quý vị có thể liên hệ với Chi Nhánh NTP: Số Công Khai: (916) 322-6682, Số Fax: (916) 440-5230

XÁC NHẬN CỦA KHÁCH HÀNG

Tôi đã được cung cấp thông tin liên quan đến các quyền cá nhân/dẫn quyền của tôi và cách tôi có thể nộp đơn khiếu nại cho bất kỳ tổ chức nào sau đây nếu tôi thấy rằng bất kỳ quyền nào của mình đã bị vi phạm:

- Sở Chăm Sóc Sức Khỏe Hành Vi (DBH)
- Sở Dịch Vụ Chăm Sóc Sức Khỏe (DHCS)
- Bộ Y Tế và Dịch Vụ Nhân Sinh Hoa Kỳ (đối với các khiếu nại về dẫn quyền) (HHS-OCR)

Tôi đã được thông báo rằng tôi có thể yêu cầu thêm thông tin hoặc hỗ trợ nộp đơn khiếu nại vào bất kỳ lúc nào.

Tên Viết In của Khách Hàng

Chữ Ký của Khách Hàng

Ngày

ATTESTATION REGARDING INELIGIBLE/EXCLUDED PERSONS

VARP, Inc. shall:

To the extent consistent with the provisions of this Agreement, comply with regulations as set forth in Executive Order 12549; Social Security Act, 42 U.S. Code, Section 1128 and 1320 a-7; Title 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Parts 1001 and 1002, et al; and Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 14043.6 and 14123 regarding exclusion from participation in federal and state funded programs, which provide in pertinent part:

1. Contractor certifies to the following:
 - a. it is not presently excluded from participation in federal and state funded health care programs,
 - b. there is not an investigation currently being conducted, presently pending or recently concluded by a federal or state agency which is likely to result in exclusion from any federal or state funded health care program, and/or
 - c. unlikely to be found by a federal and state agency to be ineligible to provide goods or services.
2. As the official responsible for the administration of Contractor, the signatory certifies the following:
 - a. all of its officers, employees, agents, and/or sub-contractors are not presently excluded from participation in any federal or state funded health care programs,
 - b. there is not an investigation currently being conducted, presently pending or recently concluded by a federal or state agency of any such officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors which is likely to result in an exclusion from any federal and state funded health care program, and/or
 - c. its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors are otherwise unlikely to be found by a federal or state agency to be ineligible to provide goods or services.
3. Contractor certifies it has reviewed, at minimum prior to hire or contract start date and monthly thereafter, the following lists in determining the organization nor its officers, employees, agents, and/or sub-contractors are not presently excluded from participation in any federal or state funded health care programs:
 - a. OIG's List of Excluded Individuals/Entities (LEIE).
 - b. United States General Services Administration's System for Award Management (SAM).
 - c. California Department of Health Care Services Suspended and Ineligible Provider (S&I) List, if receives Medi-Cal reimbursement.
4. Contractor certifies that it shall notify DBH SUDRS Administration immediately (within 24 hours) by phone and in writing within ten (10) business days of being notified of:
 - a. Any event, including an investigation, that would require Contractor or any of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors exclusion or suspension under federal or state funded health care programs, or
 - b. Any suspension or exclusionary action taken by an agency of the federal or state government against Contractor, or one or more of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors, barring it or its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors from providing goods or services for which federal or state funded healthcare program payment may be made.

Don Richard Smith, Interim Executive Director
Printed name of authorized official


Signature of authorized official

4/14/2026

Date

DATA SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to its contract with the State Department of Health Care Services, the Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) requires Contractor adhere to the following data security requirements:

A. Personnel Controls

1. **Formal Policies and Procedures.** Policies and procedures must be in place to reasonably protect against unauthorized uses and disclosures of patient identifying information and protect against reasonably anticipated threats or hazards to the security of patient identifying information. Formal policies and procedures must address 1) paper records and 2) electronic records, as specified in 42 CFR §2.16.
2. **Employee Training.** All workforce members who assist in the performance of functions or activities on behalf of DBH, or access or disclose DBH 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 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 six (6) years following termination of this Agreement.
3. **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.
4. **Confidentiality Statement.** All persons that will be working with DBH 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 DBH PHI or PI. The statement must be renewed annually. The Contractor shall retain each person's written confidentiality statement for DBH inspection for a period of six (6) years following termination of the Agreement.
5. **Background Check.** Before a member of the workforce may access DBH 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. The Contractor shall retain each workforce member's background check documentation for a period of three (3) years.

B. Technical Security Controls

1. **Workstation/Laptop Encryption.** All workstations and laptops that store DBH 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 by DBH's Office of Information Technology.
2. **Server Security.** Servers containing unencrypted DBH 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.
3. **Minimum Necessary.** Only the minimum necessary amount of DBH PHI or PI required to perform necessary business functions may be copied, downloaded, or exported.
4. **Removable Media Devices.** All electronic files that contain DBH 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 128bit or higher, such as AES.
5. **Antivirus / Malware Software.** All workstations, laptops and other systems that process and/or store DBH PHI or PI must install and actively use comprehensive anti-virus software / Antimalware software solution with automatic updates scheduled at least daily.
6. **Patch Management.** All workstations, laptops and other systems that process and/or store DBH PHI or PI must have all critical security patches applied with system reboot if necessary. There

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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.

7. User IDs and Password Controls. All users must be issued a unique user name for accessing DBH 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 (special characters)
8. Data Destruction. When no longer needed, all DBH 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 and in accordance with 42 C.F.R. § 2.16 Security for Records. Media may also be physically destroyed in accordance with NIST Special Publication 800-88. Other methods require prior written permission of DBH's Office of Information Technology.
9. System Timeout. The system providing access to DBH PHI or PI must provide an automatic timeout, requiring re-authentication of the user session after no more than twenty (20) minutes of inactivity.
10. Warning Banners. All systems providing access to DBH 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.
11. System Logging. The system must maintain an automated audit trail which can identify the user or system process which initiates a request for DBH PHI or PI, or which alters DBH 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 DBH PHI or PI is stored in a database, database logging functionality must be enabled. Audit trail data must be archived for at least three (3) years after occurrence.
12. Access Controls. The system providing access to DBH PHI or PI must use role based access controls for all user authentications, enforcing the principle of least privilege.
13. Transmission Encryption. All data transmissions of DBH PHI or PI outside the secure internal network must be encrypted using a FIPS 140-2 certified algorithm which is 128bit or higher, such as AES. Encryption can be end to end at the network level, or the data files containing DBH PHI can be encrypted. This requirement pertains to any type of DBH PHI or PI in motion such as website access, file transfer, and E-Mail.
14. Intrusion Detection. All systems involved in accessing, holding, transporting, and protecting DBH PHI or PI that are accessible via the Internet must be protected by a comprehensive intrusion detection and prevention solution.

C. Audit Controls

1. System Security Review. Contractor must ensure audit control mechanisms that record and examine system activity are in place. All systems processing and/or storing DBH PHI or PI must

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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.

2. Log Review. All systems processing and/or storing DBH PHI or PI must have a routine procedure in place to review system logs for unauthorized access.
3. Change Control. All systems processing and/or storing DBH PHI or PI must have a documented change control procedure that ensures separation of duties and protects the confidentiality, integrity and availability of data.

D. Business Continuity/Disaster Recovery Controls

1. Emergency Mode Operation Plan. Contractor must establish a documented plan to enable continuation of critical business processes and protection of the security of DBH 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.
2. Data Backup Plan. Contractor must have established documented procedures to backup DBH PHI to maintain retrievable exact copies of DBH 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 DBH PHI or PI should it be lost. At a minimum, the schedule must be a weekly full backup and monthly offsite storage of DBH data.

E. Paper Document Controls

1. Supervision of Data. DBH 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. DBH 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.
2. Escorting Visitors. Visitors to areas where DBH PHI or PI is contained shall be escorted and DBH PHI or PI shall be kept out of sight while visitors are in the area.
3. Confidential Destruction. DBH PHI or PI must be disposed of through confidential means, such as cross cut shredding and pulverizing and in accordance with 42 C.F.R. § 2.16 Security for Records.
4. Removal of Data. Removal of DBH PHI or PI may not be removed from the premises of Contractor unless authorized under 42 CFR Part 2.
5. Faxing. Faxes containing DBH 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.
6. Mailing. Mailings containing DBH 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 DBH 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 DBH to use another method is obtained.

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FEDERAL CONTRACTING PROVISIONS

Contractor shall to comply with the following additional terms:

A. Davis Bacon Act (40 USC §§ 3141-3144 and 3146-3148)

***** If Applicable** - Applies to contractors and subcontractors performing on federally funded or assisted contracts in excess of \$2,000 for the construction, alteration, or repair (including painting and decorating) of public buildings or public works.

1. All transactions regarding this Contract shall be done in compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable.
2. Contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as applicable.
3. Contractor agrees that a condition of this Contract is acceptance of the Department of Labor wage determination.
4. Contractors are required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor.
5. Additionally, contractors are required to pay wages not less than once a week.
6. ***** If Applicable** The Contractor and all subcontractors and sub-subcontractors are required to pay their employees and workers a wage not less than the minimum wage for the work classification as specified in both the Federal and California wage decisions. See Exhibit "XXX" for additional information regarding California Prevailing Wage Rate Requirements and the applicable general prevailing wage determinations which are on file with the County and are available to any interested party on request. The higher of the two applicable wage determinations, either California prevailing wage or Davis-Bacon Federal prevailing wage, will be enforced for all applicable work/services under this Contract.

B. Copeland "Anti-Kick Back" Act

***** If applicable** - Applies to all contracts and subcontracts for the performance of work on contracts for the construction, prosecution, repair, or completion of public buildings, public works, or works which are financed in whole or in part by loans or grants from the Federal government.

1. Contractor. Contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this Contract.
2. Subcontracts. Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as the federal government may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.

Breach. A breach of the Davis Bacon Act and Copeland "Anti-Kick Back" Act provisions may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. § 5.12.

C. Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (42 USC §§ 7401-7671q, 33 USC §§ 1251-1387.)

Clean Air Act

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1. Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
2. Contractor agrees to report each violation to the County and understands and agrees that the County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the federal funding source, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
3. Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

Federal Water Pollution Control Act

1. Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
2. Contractor agrees to report each violation to the County and understands and agrees that the County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the federal funding source, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
3. Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

D. Procurement of Recovered Materials (45 CFR § 75.331)

1. Contractor shall comply with the provisions of section 6002 of the Federal Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the federal Resource conservation and Recovery Act, as the same may be amended, which include (but are not necessarily limited to): procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency at 40 CFR Part 247 (as the same may be amended) that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired by the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the Environmental Protection Agency guidelines.
2. This provision does not apply if the items cannot be acquired—
 - a. Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
 - b. Meeting contract performance requirements; or
 - c. At a reasonable price.
3. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA- designated items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, <https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program>.
4. The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.

E. Prohibited Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Equipment and Services (2 C.F.R. §200.216)

Contractor certifies that it will not use contract funds to:

- (1) Procure or obtain covered telecommunications equipment or services;
- (2) Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain covered telecommunications equipment or services; or

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(3) Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain covered telecommunications equipment or services.

“Covered telecommunications equipment or services” means those equipment and services defined at 2 C.F.R. §200.16(b).

F. Domestic Preference for Procurements (2 C.F.R. § 200.322)

Contractor should, to the greatest extent practicable and consistent with law, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). “Produced in the United States” means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States. “Manufactured products” means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

G. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended))

****If applicable* – Generally applies to contracts that are federally funded and exceed \$100,000.

Contractor certifies that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 USC 1352. Contractor shall also disclose to the County any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award.

[certification continued on next page]

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ANTI- LOBBYING CERTIFICATION

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

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.
4. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.
5. The Contractor, VARP, Inc., certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38, Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signed by:
Rick Smith

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Don Richard Smith, Interim Executive Director
Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

4/14/2026

Date

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE/INCIDENT REPORT

(Not part of Medical Record)

CLIENT INFORMATION		Last Name	_____	First Name	_____
Chart No.	_____	Gender:	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unknown	Age	_____
Reporting Clinic/Contract Agency	_____		Date last seen by Staff _____		
Name of Clinic/Contractor	_____		Family Notified: <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone <input type="checkbox"/> Letter <input type="checkbox"/> None		
Name of Program Delivering Services	_____		Family Contact Name _____		
Client Address/Phone _____					
INCIDENT (Please check all that apply)		<input type="checkbox"/> Disturbance/Destruction of Property**		<input type="checkbox"/> Dangerous Behavior – Self	
<input type="checkbox"/> Dangerous Behavior – Others		<input type="checkbox"/> Victimized		<input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Behavior	
<input type="checkbox"/> Medical/Injury**		<input type="checkbox"/> Death* Date Deceased _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
LOCATION OF INCIDENT		<input type="checkbox"/> Within Clinic		<input type="checkbox"/> Surrounding Clinic (grounds, parking lot,)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Residential		<input type="checkbox"/> Client Residence, Independent Living		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please specify) _____	
EXPLANATION OF INCIDENT* <small>include names of witnesses</small>		DATE OF INCIDENT:		TIME:	
WITNESSES:					
ACTION TAKEN (Please check all that apply)		<input type="checkbox"/> Counseling, reassuring, removal of client		<input type="checkbox"/> First Aid	
<input type="checkbox"/> Consulting with Physician (Phone or office visit)		<input type="checkbox"/> Called Paramedics		<input type="checkbox"/> Staff escort out of building	
<input type="checkbox"/> Police called		<input type="checkbox"/> Other Report (CFS, APS, Licensing)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please Specify) _____					
EXPLANATION OF ACTION TAKEN*					
SUPERVISORS COMMENTS* <small>Include, e.g., Family Resources, Date of Last Service, Last ID Note comment (ID, H), Grave Digging, etc.; Other compliance issues (transportation, child care, etc.) as appropriate</small>					
Signature of Supervisor _____					
NOTIFICATION (check all that apply, include date and method of notification ie. phone, fax, email in the space provided)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Director	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Program Manager	_____		
<input type="checkbox"/> Assistant Director	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Department Safety Coordinator	_____		
<input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Director	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Medical Director	_____		
<input type="checkbox"/> Chief Compliance Officer	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Program Coordinator	_____		
AUTHOR INFORMATION (Who completed form)		Date	_____	Title _____	
Printed Name _____					
Signature _____					

*Add additional sheet as needed Follow-up outcome should be reported to the Office of Compliance

**Office of compliance shall determine if report required to Department of Risk Management

CalAIM PAYMENT
REFORM RATE SCHEDULE

San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health
CalAIM Payment Reform Rate Schedule
Effective January 1, 2026

Individual		
	<i>Percentage of DHCS Rate:</i>	
	70%	75%
	Hourly Payment Rate	
DHCS Equivalent	Contracted Program Category 1	Contracted Program Category 2
Certified AOD Counselor	\$ 257.82	\$ 276.24
Mental Health Rehabilitation Specialist	\$ 233.86	\$ 250.56
Other Qualified Practitioner	\$ 233.86	\$ 250.56
Peer Support Specialists	\$ 245.55	\$ 263.09
Community Health Worker	\$ 239.70	\$ 256.82
LCSW (Licensed, Waivered or Registered)	\$ 310.83	\$ 333.03
MFT/LPCC (Licensed, Waivered or Registered)	\$ 310.83	\$ 333.03
Licensed Psychiatric Technician	\$ 218.48	\$ 234.08
Psychologist (Licensed or Waivered)	\$ 480.32	\$ 514.63
Licensed Vocational Nurse	\$ 254.85	\$ 273.05
Medical Assistant	\$ 175.19	\$ 187.70
Licensed Physician	\$ 1,194.33	\$ 1,279.64
Nurse Practitioner	\$ 593.92	\$ 636.34
Occupational Therapist	\$ 413.76	\$ 443.32
Physician Assistant	\$ 535.65	\$ 573.92
Registered Nurse	\$ 485.12	\$ 519.77

	<i>Percentage of DHCS Rate:</i>	
	70%	
Service Description	Per Occurrence Payment Rate	
Interactive Complexity	13.22	
Interpretive Services	22.32	

Contracted Program Category 1
All other Specialty Mental Health Services
All Substance Use Disorder & Recovery Services providing outpatient DMC-ODS

Contracted Program Category 2
All Full Service Partnerships
Therapeutic Behavioral Services
Children's Residential Intensive Services