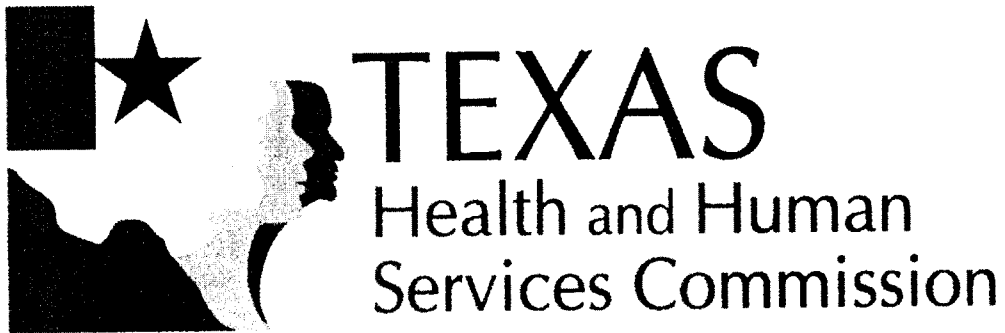


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ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETIVE PROVISIONS

1.01 Definitions

As used in this Contract, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the following terms and conditions have the meanings assigned below:

“Amendment” means a written agreement, signed by the parties hereto, which documents changes to the Contract other than those permitted by Work Orders or Technical Guidance Letters, as herein defined.

“Attachment” means documents, terms, conditions, or additional information physically added to this Contract following the Signature Document or included by reference, as if physically, within the body of this Contract.

“Contract” means the Signature Document, these Uniform Terms and Conditions, along with any Attachments, and any Amendments, or Technical Guidance Letters that may be issued by the Enterprise Agency, to be incorporated by reference herein for all purposes if issued.

“Deliverable” means a work product prepared, developed, or procured by Grantee as part of the Services under the Contract for the use or benefit of the Enterprise Agency or the State of Texas.

“Effective Date” means the date agreed to by the Parties as the date on which the Contract takes effect.

“Enterprise Agency” means HHSC or any of the agencies of the State of Texas that are overseen by HHSC under authority granted under State law and the officers, employees, and designees of those agencies. These agencies include: the Department of Aging and Disability Services, the Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services, the Department of Family and Protective Services, and the Department of State Health Services.

“Federal Fiscal Year” means the period beginning October 1 and ending September 30 each year, which is the annual accounting period for the United States government.

“GAAP” means Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

“GASB” means the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

“Grantee” means the Party receiving funds under this Contract, if any.

“Health and Human Services Commission” or “HHSC” means the administrative agency established under Chapter 531, Texas Government Code or its designee.

“HUB” means Historically Underutilized Business, as defined by Chapter 2161 of the Texas Government Code.

“Intellectual Property” means patents, rights to apply for patents, trademarks, trade names, service marks, domain names, copyrights and all applications and worldwide registration of

such, schematics, industrial models, inventions, know-how, trade secrets, computer software programs, and other intangible proprietary information.

“Mentor Protégé” means the Comptroller of Public Accounts’ leadership program found at: <http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/mentorprotege/>.

“Parties” means the Enterprise Agency and Grantee, collectively.

“Party” means either the Enterprise Agency or Grantee, individually.

“Program” means the statutorily authorized activities of the Enterprise Agency under which this Contract has been awarded.

“Project” means specific activities of the Grantee that are supported by funds provided under this Contract.

“Public Information Act” or “PIA” means Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code.

“Scope of Work” means the description of activities performed in completing the Project, as specified in the Contract and as may be amended.

“Signature Document” means the document executed by both Parties that specifically sets forth all of the documents that constitute the Contract.

“Solicitation” means the document issued by the Enterprise Agency under which applications for Program funds were requested, which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes in its entirety, including all Amendments and Attachments.

“Solicitation Response” means Grantee’s full and complete response to the Solicitation, which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes in its entirety, including any Attachments and addenda.

“State Fiscal Year” means the period beginning September 1 and ending August 31 each year, which is the annual accounting period for the State of Texas.

“State of Texas Textravel” means Texas Administrative Code, Title 34, Part 1, Chapter 5, Subchapter C, Section 5.22, relative to travel reimbursements under this Contract, if any.

“Technical Guidance Letter” or “TGL” means an instruction, clarification, or interpretation of the requirements of the Contract, issued by the Enterprise Agency to the Grantee.

1.02 Interpretive Provisions

- a. The meanings of defined terms are equally applicable to the singular and plural forms of the defined terms.
- b. The words “hereof,” “herein,” “hereunder,” and similar words refer to this Contract as a whole and not to any particular provision, section, Attachment, or schedule of this Contract unless otherwise specified.
- c. The term “including” is not limiting and means “including without limitation” and, unless otherwise expressly provided in this Contract, (i) references to contracts (including this Contract) and other contractual instruments shall be deemed to include all subsequent

Amendments and other modifications thereto, but only to the extent that such Amendments and other modifications are not prohibited by the terms of this Contract, and (ii) references to any statute or regulation are to be construed as including all statutory and regulatory provisions consolidating, amending, replacing, supplementing, or interpreting the statute or regulation.

- d. Any references to “sections,” “appendices,” or “attachments” are references to sections, appendices, or attachments of the Contract.
- e. Any references to agreements, contracts, statutes, or administrative rules or regulations in the Contract are references to these documents as amended, modified, or supplemented from time to time during the term of the Contract.
- f. The captions and headings of this Contract are for convenience of reference only and do not affect the interpretation of this Contract.
- g. All Attachments within this Contract, including those incorporated by reference, and any Amendments are considered part of the terms of this Contract.
- h. This Contract may use several different limitations, regulations, or policies to regulate the same or similar matters. All such limitations, regulations, and policies are cumulative and each will be performed in accordance with its terms.
- i. Unless otherwise expressly provided, reference to any action of the Enterprise Agency or by the Enterprise Agency by way of consent, approval, or waiver will be deemed modified by the phrase “in its sole discretion.”
- j. Time is of the essence in this Contract.

ARTICLE II PAYMENT METHODS AND RESTRICTIONS

2.01 Payment Methods

Except as otherwise provided by the provisions of the Contract, the payment method will be one or more of the following:

- a. cost reimbursement. This payment method is based on an approved budget and submission of a request for reimbursement of expenses Grantee has incurred at the time of the request;
- b. unit rate/fee-for-service. This payment method is based on a fixed price or a specified rate(s) or fee(s) for delivery of a specified unit(s) of service and acceptable submission of all required documentation, forms and/or reports; or
- c. advance payment. This payment method is based on disbursement of the minimum necessary funds to carry out the Program or Project where the Grantee has implemented appropriate safeguards. This payment method will only be utilized in accordance with governing law and at the sole discretion of the Enterprise Agency.

Grantees shall bill the Enterprise Agency in accordance with the Contract. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, Grantee shall submit requests for reimbursement or payment monthly by the last business day of the month following the month in which expenses were incurred or services provided. Grantee shall maintain all documentation that substantiates invoices and make the documentation available to the Enterprise Agency upon request.

2.02 Final Billing Submission

Unless otherwise provided by the Enterprise Agency, Grantee shall submit a reimbursement or payment request as a final close-out invoice not later than forty-five (45) calendar days following

the end of the term of the Contract. Reimbursement or payment requests received in the Enterprise Agency's offices more than forty-five (45) calendar days following the termination of the Contract may not be paid.

2.03 Financial Status Reports (FSRs)

Except as otherwise provided in these General Provisions or in the terms of any Program Attachment(s) that is incorporated into the Contract, for contracts with categorical budgets, Grantee shall submit quarterly FSRs to Accounts Payable by the last business day of the month following the end of each quarter of the Program Attachment term for Enterprise Agency review and financial assessment. Grantee shall submit the final FSR no later than forty-five (45) calendar days following the end of the applicable term.

2.04 Debt to State and Corporate Status

Pursuant to Tex. Gov. Code § 403.055, the Department will not approve and the State Comptroller will not issue payment to Grantee if Grantee is indebted to the State for any reason, including a tax delinquency. Grantee, if a corporation, certifies by execution of this Contract that it is current and will remain current in its payment of franchise taxes to the State of Texas or that it is exempt from payment of franchise taxes under Texas law (Tex. Tax Code §§ 171.001 et seq.). If tax payments become delinquent during the Contract term, all or part of the payments under this Contract may be withheld until Grantee's delinquent tax is paid in full.

2.05 Application of Payment Due

Grantee agrees that any payments due under this Contract will be applied towards any debt of Grantee, including but not limited to delinquent taxes and child support that is owed to the State of Texas.

2.06 Use of Funds

Grantee shall expend funds provided under this Contract only for the provision of approved services and for reasonable and allowable expenses directly related to those services.

2.07 Use for Match Prohibited

Grantee shall not use funds provided under this Contract for matching purposes in securing other funding without the written approval of the Enterprise Agency.

2.08 Program Income

Income directly generated from funds provided under this Contract or earned only as a result of such funds is Program Income. Unless otherwise required under the Program, Grantee shall use the addition alternative, as provided in UGMS § __.25(g)(2), for the use of Project income to further the Program, and Grantee shall spend the Program Income on the Project. Grantee shall identify and report this income in accordance with the Contract, applicable law, and the Contractor's Financial Procedures Manual located at <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/contracts/cfpm.shtm>. Grantee shall expend Program Income during the Program Attachment term and may not carry forward to any succeeding term. Grantee shall refund program income not expended in the term in which it is earned to the Enterprise Agency. The Enterprise Agency may base future funding levels, in part, upon Grantee's proficiency in identifying, billing, collecting, and reporting Program Income, and in using it for the purposes and under the conditions specified in this Contract.

2.09 Nonsupplanting

Grantee shall not use funds from this Contract to replace or substitute for existing funding from other but shall use funds from this Contract to supplement existing state or local funds currently available. Grantee shall make a good faith effort to maintain its current level of support. Grantee may be required to submit documentation substantiating that a reduction in state or local funding, if any, resulted for reasons other than receipt or expected receipt of funding under this Contract.

ARTICLE III. STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING

3.01 Funding

This Contract is contingent upon the availability of sufficient and adequate funds. If funds become unavailable through lack of appropriations, budget cuts, transfer of funds between programs or agencies, amendment of the Texas General Appropriations Act, agency consolidation, or any other disruptions of current funding for this Contract, the Enterprise Agency may restrict, reduce, or terminate funding under this Contract. This Contract is also subject to immediate cancellation or termination, without penalty to the Enterprise Agency, if sufficient and adequate funds are not available. Grantee will have no right of action against the Enterprise Agency if the Enterprise Agency cannot perform its obligations under this Contract as a result of lack of funding for any activities or functions contained within the scope of this Contract. In the event of cancellation or termination under this Section, the Enterprise Agency will not be required to give notice and will not be liable for any damages or losses caused or associated with such termination or cancellation.

3.02 No debt Against the State

The Contract will not be construed as creating any debt by or on behalf of the State of Texas.

3.03 Debt to State

If a payment law prohibits the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts from making a payment, the Grantee acknowledges the Enterprise Agency's payments under the Contract will be applied toward eliminating the debt or delinquency. This requirement specifically applies to any debt or delinquency, regardless of when it arises.

3.04 Recapture of Funds

The Enterprise Agency may withhold all or part of any payments to Grantee to offset overpayments made to the Grantee. Overpayments as used in this Section include payments (i) made by the Enterprise Agency that exceed the maximum allowable rates; (ii) that are not allowed under applicable laws, rules, or regulations; or (iii) that are otherwise inconsistent with this Contract, including any unapproved expenditures. Grantee understands and agrees that it will be liable to the Enterprise Agency for any costs disallowed pursuant to financial and compliance audit(s) of funds received under this Contract. Grantee further understands and agrees that reimbursement of such disallowed costs will be paid by Grantee from funds which were not provided or otherwise made available to Grantee under this Contract.

ARTICLE IV ALLOWABLE COSTS AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

4.01 Allowable Costs.

Enterprise Agency will reimburse the allowable costs incurred in performing the Project that are sufficiently documented. Grantee must have incurred a cost prior to claiming reimbursement and within the applicable term to be eligible for reimbursement under this Contract. The Enterprise Agency will determine whether costs submitted by Grantee are allowable and eligible for reimbursement. If the Enterprise Agency has paid funds to Grantee for unallowable or ineligible costs, the Enterprise Agency will notify Grantee in writing, and Grantee shall return the funds to the Enterprise Agency within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of this written notice. The Enterprise Agency may withhold all or part of any payments to Grantee to offset reimbursement for any unallowable or ineligible expenditure that Grantee has not refunded to the Enterprise Agency, or if financial status report(s) required under the Financial Status Reports section are not submitted by the due date(s). The Enterprise Agency may take repayment (recoup) from funds available under this Contract in amounts necessary to fulfill Grantee's repayment obligations. Applicable cost principles, audit requirements, and administrative requirements include-

Applicable Entity	Applicable Cost Principles	Audit Requirements	Administrative Requirements
State, Local and Tribal Governments	2 CFR, Part 225	2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F and UGMS	2 CFR Part 200 and UGMS
Educational Institutions	2 CFR, Part 220	2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F and UGMS	2 CFR Part 200 and UGMS
Non-Profit Organizations	2 CFR, Part 230	2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F and UGMS	2 CFR Part 200 and UGMS
For-profit Organization other than a hospital and an organization named in OMB Circular A-122 (2 CFR Part, 230) as not subject to that circular.	48 CFR Part 31, Contract Cost Principles Procedures, or uniform cost accounting standards that comply with cost principles acceptable to the federal or state awarding agency	2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F and UGMS	2 CFR Part 200 and UGMS

A chart of applicable Federal awarding agency common rules is located through a web link on the Enterprise Agency website at <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/contracts/links.shtm>. OMB Circulars will be applied with the modifications prescribed by UGMS with effect given to whichever provision imposes the more stringent requirement in the event of a conflict.

4.02 Independent Single or Program-Specific Audit

If Grantee, within Grantee's fiscal year, expends a total amount of at least **SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$750,000)** in federal funds awarded, Grantee shall have a single audit or program-specific audit in accordance with the 2 CFR 200. The \$750,000 federal threshold amount includes federal funds passed through by way of state agency awards. If Grantee, within Grantee's fiscal year, expends a total amount of at least \$500,000 in state funds awarded, Grantee must have a single audit or program-specific audit in accordance with UGMS, State of Texas Single Audit Circular. For-profit Grantees whose expenditures meet or exceed the federal or state expenditure thresholds stated above shall follow the guidelines in 2 CFR 200 or UGMS, as applicable, for their program-specific audits. The HHSC Office of Inspector General (OIG) will notify Grantee to complete the Single Audit Status Registration Form. If Grantee fails to complete the Single Audit Status Form within thirty (30) calendar days after notification by OIG to do so, Grantee shall be subject to the Enterprise Agency sanctions and remedies for non-compliance with this Contract. The audit must be conducted by an independent certified public accountant and in accordance with applicable OMB Circulars, Government Auditing Standards, and UGMS, which is accessible through a web link on the Enterprise Agency website at <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/contracts/links.shtm>. Grantee shall procure audit services in compliance with this section, state procurement procedures, as well as with the provisions of UGMS

4.03 Submission of Audit

Within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of the audit reports required by the Independent Single or Program-Specific Audit section, Grantee shall submit one copy to the Department's Contract Oversight and Support Section, and one copy to the OIG, at the following addresses:

Department of State Health Services
Contract Oversight and Support, Mail Code 1326
P.O. Box 149347
Austin, Texas 78714-9347
Health and Human Services Commission
Office of Inspector General
Compliance/Audit, Mail Code 1326
P.O. Box 85200
Austin, Texas 78708-5200

Electronic submission to the Enterprise Agency should be addressed as follows:
COSContractAdministration@dshs.state.tx.us

Electronic submission to HHSC should be addressed as follows:
Dani.fielding@hhsc.state.tx.us

If Grantee fails to submit the audit report as required by the Independent Single or Program-Specific Audit section within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt by Grantee of an audit report, Grantee shall be subject to the Enterprise Agency sanctions and remedies for non-compliance with this Contract.

ARTICLE V AFFIRMATIONS, ASSURANCES AND CERTIFICATIONS

5.01 General Affirmations

Grantee certifies that, to the extent General Affirmations are incorporated into the Contract under the Signature Document, the General Affirmations have been reviewed and that Grantee is in compliance with each of the requirements reflected therein.

5.02 Federal Assurances

Grantee further certifies that, to the extent Federal Assurances are incorporated into the Contract under the Signature Document, the Federal Assurances have been reviewed and that Grantee is in compliance with each of the requirements reflected therein.

5.03 Federal Certifications

Grantee further certifies, to the extent Federal Certifications are incorporated into the Contract under the Signature Document, that the Federal Certifications have been reviewed, and that Grantee is in compliance with each of the requirements reflected therein. **In addition, Grantee certifies that it is in compliance with all applicable federal laws, rules, or regulations, as they may pertain to this Contract.**

ARTICLE VI OWNERSHIP AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

6.01 Ownership

The Enterprise Agency will own, and Grantee hereby assigns to the Enterprise Agency, all right, title, and interest in all Deliverables.

6.02 Intellectual Property

- a. The Enterprise Agency and Grantee will retain ownership, all rights, title, and interest in and to, their respective pre-existing Intellectual Property. A license to either Party's pre-existing Intellectual Property must be agreed to under this or another contract.
- b. Grantee grants to the Enterprise Agency and the State of Texas a royalty-free, paid up, worldwide, perpetual, non-exclusive, non-transferable license to use any Intellectual Property invented or created by Grantee, Grantee's contractor, or a subcontractor in the performance of the Project. Grantee will require its contractors to grant such a license under its contracts.
- c. As used herein, "Intellectual Property" shall mean: inventions and business processes, whether or not patentable; works of authorship; trade secrets; trademarks; service marks; industrial designs; and other intellectual property incorporated in any Deliverable and first created or developed by Grantee, Grantee's contractor or a subcontractor in performing the Project.

ARTICLE VII RECORDS, AUDIT, AND DISCLOSURE

7.01 Books and Records

Grantee will keep and maintain under GAAP or GASB, as applicable, full, true, and complete records necessary to fully disclose to the Enterprise Agency, the Texas State Auditor's Office, the United States Government, and their authorized representatives sufficient information to determine compliance with the terms and conditions of this Contract and all state and federal rules, regulations, and statutes. Unless otherwise specified in this Contract, Grantee will maintain legible copies of this Contract and all related documents for a minimum of seven (7) years after the termination of the contract period or seven (7) years after the completion of any litigation or dispute involving the Contract, whichever is later.

7.02 Access to records, books, and documents

In addition to any right of access arising by operation of law, Grantee and any of Grantee's affiliate or subsidiary organizations, or Subcontractors will permit the Enterprise Agency or any of its duly authorized representatives, as well as duly authorized federal, state or local authorities, unrestricted access to and the right to examine any site where business is conducted or Services are performed, and all records, which includes but is not limited to financial, client and patient records, books, papers or documents related to this Contract. If the Contract includes federal funds, federal agencies that will have a right of access to records as described in this section include: the federal agency providing the funds, the Comptroller General of the United States, the General Accounting Office, the Office of the Inspector General, and any of their authorized representatives. In addition, agencies of the State of Texas that will have a right of access to records as described in this section include: the Enterprise Agency, HHSC, HHSC's contracted examiners, the State Auditor's Office, the Texas Attorney General's Office, and any successor agencies. Each of these entities may be a duly authorized authority. If deemed necessary by the Enterprise Agency or any duly authorized authority, for the purpose of investigation or hearing, Grantee will produce original documents related to this Contract. The Enterprise Agency and any duly authorized authority will have the right to audit billings both before and after payment, and all documentation that substantiates the billings. Grantee will include this provision concerning the right of access to, and examination of, sites and information related to this Contract in any Subcontract it awards.

7.03 Response/compliance with audit or inspection findings

- a. Grantee must act to ensure its and its Subcontractor's compliance with all corrections necessary to address any finding of noncompliance with any law, regulation, audit requirement, or generally accepted accounting principle, or any other deficiency identified in any audit, review, or inspection of the Contract and the goods or services provided hereunder. Any such correction will be at Grantee or its Subcontractor's sole expense. Whether Grantee's action corrects the noncompliance will be solely the decision of the Enterprise Agency.
- b. As part of the Services, Grantee must provide to HHSC upon request a copy of those portions of Grantee's and its Subcontractors' internal audit reports relating to the Services and Deliverables provided to the State under the Contract.

7.04 SAO Audit

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

7.05 Confidentiality

Any specific confidentiality agreement between the Parties takes precedent over the terms of this section. To the extent permitted by law, Grantee agrees to keep all information confidential, in whatever form produced, prepared, observed, or received by Grantee. The provisions of this section remain in full force and effect following termination or cessation of the services performed under this Contract.

7.06 Public Information Act

Information related to the performance of this Contract may be subject to the PIA and will be withheld from public disclosure or released only in accordance therewith. Grantee must make all information not otherwise excepted from disclosure under the PIA available in portable document file (".pdf") format or any other format agreed between the Parties.

ARTICLE VIII CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AND EARLY TERMINATION

8.01 Contract Management

To ensure full performance of the Contract and compliance with applicable law, the Enterprise Agency may take actions including:

- a. suspending all or part of the Contract;
- b. requiring the Grantee to take specific corrective actions in order to remain in compliance with term of the Contract;
- c. recouping payments made to the Grantee found to be in error;
- d. suspending, limiting, or placing conditions on the continued performance of the Project;
- e. imposing any other remedies authorized under this Contract; and
- f. imposing any other remedies, sanctions or penalties permitted by federal or state statute, law, regulation, or rule.

8.02 Termination for Convenience

The Enterprise Agency may terminate the Contract at any time when, in its sole discretion, the Enterprise Agency determines that termination is in the best interests of the State of Texas. The termination will be effective on the date specified in HHSC's notice of termination.

8.03 Termination for Cause

Except as otherwise provided by the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, or any successor law, the Enterprise Agency may terminate the Contract, in whole or in part, upon either of the following conditions:

a. Material Breach

The Enterprise Agency will have the right to terminate the Contract in whole or in part if the Enterprise Agency determines, at its sole discretion, that Grantee has materially breached the Contract or has failed to adhere to any laws, ordinances, rules, regulations or orders of any public authority having jurisdiction and such violation prevents or substantially impairs performance of Grantee's duties under the Contract. Grantee's misrepresentation in any aspect of Grantee's Solicitation Response, if any or Grantee's addition to the Excluded Parties List System (EPLS) will also constitute a material breach of the Contract.

b. Failure to Maintain Financial Viability

The Enterprise Agency may terminate the Contract if, in its sole discretion, the Enterprise Agency has a good faith belief that Grantee no longer maintains the financial viability required to complete the Services and Deliverables, or otherwise fully perform its responsibilities under the Contract.

8.04 Equitable Settlement

Any early termination under this Article will be subject to the equitable settlement of the respective interests of the Parties up to the date of termination.

ARTICLE IX MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

9.01 Amendment

The Contract may only be amended by an Amendment executed by both Parties.

9.02 Insurance

Unless otherwise specified in this Contract, Grantee will acquire and maintain, for the duration of this Contract, insurance coverage necessary to ensure proper fulfillment of this Contract and potential liabilities thereunder with financially sound and reputable insurers licensed by the Texas Department of Insurance, in the type and amount customarily carried within the industry as determined by the Enterprise Agency. Grantee will provide evidence of insurance as required under this Contract, including a schedule of coverage or underwriter's schedules establishing to the satisfaction of the Enterprise Agency the nature and extent of coverage granted by each such policy, upon request by the Enterprise Agency. In the event that any policy is determined by the Enterprise Agency to be deficient to comply with the terms of this Contract, Grantee will secure such additional policies or coverage as the Enterprise Agency may reasonably request or that are required by law or regulation. If coverage expires during the term of this Contract, Grantee must produce renewal certificates for each type of coverage.

These and all other insurance requirements under the Contract apply to both Grantee and its Subcontractors, if any. Grantee is responsible for ensuring its Subcontractors' compliance with all requirements.

9.03 Legal Obligations

Grantee will comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations. Grantee will be deemed to have knowledge of all applicable laws and regulations and be deemed to understand them. In addition to any other act or omission that may constitute a material breach of the Contract, failure to comply with this Section may also be a material breach of the Contract.

9.04 Permitting and Licensure

At Grantee's sole expense, Grantee will procure and maintain for the duration of this Contract any state, county, city, or federal license, authorization, insurance, waiver, permit, qualification or certification required by statute, ordinance, law, or regulation to be held by Grantee to provide the goods or Services required by this Contract. Grantee will be responsible for payment of all taxes, assessments, fees, premiums, permits, and licenses required by law. Grantee agrees to be responsible for payment of any such government obligations not paid by its contactors or subcontractors during performance of this Contract.

9.05 Indemnity

TO THE EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW, GRANTEE WILL DEFEND, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS THE STATE OF TEXAS AND ITS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, AND THE ENTERPRISE AGENCY AND ITS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS, ACTIONS, SUITS, DEMANDS, PROCEEDINGS, COSTS, DAMAGES, AND LIABILITIES, INCLUDING ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COURT COSTS ARISING OUT OF, OR CONNECTED WITH, OR RESULTING FROM:

- a. GRANTEE'S PERFORMANCE OF THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING ANY NEGLIGENT ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF GRANTEE, OR ANY AGENT, EMPLOYEE, SUBCONTRACTOR, OR SUPPLIER OF GRANTEE, OR ANY THIRD PARTY UNDER THE CONTROL OR SUPERVISION OF GRANTEE, IN THE EXECUTION OR PERFORMANCE OF THIS CONTRACT; OR**
- b. ANY BREACH OR VIOLATION OF A STATUTE, ORDINANCE, GOVERNMENTAL REGULATION, STANDARD, RULE, OR BREACH OF CONTRACT BY GRANTEE, ANY AGENT, EMPLOYEE, SUBCONTRACTOR, OR SUPPLIER OF GRANTEE, OR ANY THIRD PARTY UNDER THE CONTROL OR SUPERVISION OF GRANTEE, IN THE EXECUTION OR PERFORMANCE OF THIS CONTRACT; OR**
- c. EMPLOYMENT OR ALLEGED EMPLOYMENT, INCLUDING CLAIMS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST GRANTEE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS AGENTS; OR**
- d. WORK UNDER THIS CONTRACT THAT INFRINGES OR MISAPPROPRIATES ANY RIGHT OF ANY THIRD PERSON OR ENTITY BASED ON COPYRIGHT, PATENT, TRADE SECRET, OR OTHER INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS.**

GRANTEE WILL COORDINATE ITS DEFENSE WITH THE ENTERPRISE AGENCY AND ITS COUNSEL. THIS PARAGRAPH IS NOT INTENDED TO AND WILL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO REQUIRE GRANTEE TO INDEMNIFY OR HOLD HARMLESS THE STATE OR THE ENTERPRISE AGENCY FOR ANY CLAIMS OR LIABILITIES RESULTING SOLELY FROM THE GROSS NEGLIGENCE OF THE ENTERPRISE AGENCY OR ITS EMPLOYEES. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION WILL SURVIVE TERMINATION OF THIS CONTRACT.

9.06 Assignments

Grantee may not assign all or any portion of its rights under, interests in, or duties required under this Contract without prior written consent of the Enterprise Agency, which may be withheld or granted at the sole discretion of the Enterprise Agency. Except where otherwise agreed in writing by the Enterprise Agency, assignment will not release Grantee from its obligations under the Contract.

Grantee understands and agrees the Enterprise Agency may in one or more transactions assign, pledge, or transfer the Contract. This assignment will only be made to another State agency or a non-state agency that is contracted to perform agency support.

9.07 Relationship of the Parties

Grantee is, and will be, an independent contractor and, subject only to the terms of this Contract, will have the sole right to supervise, manage, operate, control, and direct performance of the details incident to its duties under this Contract. Nothing contained in this Contract will be deemed or construed to create a partnership or joint venture, to create relationships of an employer-employee or principal-agent, or to otherwise create for the Enterprise Agency any liability whatsoever with respect to the indebtedness, liabilities, and obligations of Grantee or any other Party.

Grantee will be solely responsible for, and the Enterprise Agency will have no obligation with respect to:

- a. payment of Grantee's employees for all Services performed;
- b. ensuring each of its employees, agents, or Subcontractors who provide Services or Deliverables under the Contract are properly licensed, certified, or have proper permits to perform any activity related to the Work;
- c. withholding of income taxes, FICA, or any other taxes or fees;
- d. industrial or workers' compensation insurance coverage;
- e. participation in any group insurance plans available to employees of the State of Texas;
- f. participation or contributions by the State to the State Employees Retirement System;
- g. accumulation of vacation leave or sick leave; or
- h. unemployment compensation coverage provided by the State.

9.08 Technical Guidance Letters

In the sole discretion of the Enterprise Agency, and in conformance with federal and state law, the Enterprise Agency may issue instructions, clarifications, or interpretations as may be required during Work performance in the form of a Technical Guidance Letter. A TGL must be in writing, and may be delivered by regular mail, electronic mail, or facsimile transmission. Any TGL issued by the Enterprise Agency will be incorporated into the Contract by reference herein for all purposes when it is issued.

9.09 Governing Law and Venue

This Contract and the rights and obligations of the Parties hereto will be governed by, and construed according to, the laws of the State of Texas, exclusive of conflicts of law provisions. Venue of any suit brought under this Contract will be in a court of competent jurisdiction in Travis County, Texas unless otherwise elected by the Enterprise Agency. Grantee irrevocably waives any objection, including any objection to personal jurisdiction or the laying of venue or

based on the grounds of forum non conveniens, which it may now or hereafter have to the bringing of any action or proceeding in such jurisdiction in respect of this Contract or any document related hereto. Severability

If any provision contained in this Contract is held to be unenforceable by a court of law or equity, this Contract will be construed as if such provision did not exist and the non-enforceability of such provision will not be held to render any other provision or provisions of this Contract unenforceable.

9.10 Survivability

Termination or expiration of this Contract or a Contract for any reason will not release either party from any liabilities or obligations in this Contract that the parties have expressly agreed will survive any such termination or expiration, remain to be performed, or by their nature would be intended to be applicable following any such termination or expiration, including maintaining confidentiality of information and records retention.

9.11 Force Majeure

Except with respect to the obligation of payments under this Contract, if either of the Parties, after a good faith effort, is prevented from complying with any express or implied covenant of this Contract by reason of war; terrorism; rebellion; riots; strikes; acts of God; any valid order, rule, or regulation of governmental authority; or similar events that are beyond the control of the affected Party (collectively referred to as a "Force Majeure"), then, while so prevented, the affected Party's obligation to comply with such covenant will be suspended, and the affected Party will not be liable for damages for failure to comply with such covenant. In any such event, the Party claiming Force Majeure will promptly notify the other Party of the Force Majeure event in writing and, if possible, such notice will set forth the extent and duration thereof.

9.12 No Waiver of Provisions

Neither failure to enforce any provision of this Contract nor payment for services provided under it constitute waiver of any provision of the Contract.

9.13 Publicity

Except as provided in the paragraph below, Grantee must not use the name of, or directly or indirectly refer to, the Enterprise Agency, the State of Texas, or any other State agency in any media release, public announcement, or public disclosure relating to the Contract or its subject matter, including in any promotional or marketing materials, customer lists, or business presentations.

Grantee may publish, at its sole expense, results of Grantee performance under the Contract with the Enterprise Agency's prior review and approval, which the Enterprise Agency may exercise at its sole discretion. Any publication (written, visual, or sound) will acknowledge the support received from the Enterprise Agency and any Federal agency, as appropriate.

9.14 Prohibition on Non-compete Restrictions

Grantee will not require any employees or Subcontractors to agree to any conditions, such as non-compete clauses or other contractual arrangements that would limit or restrict such persons or entities from employment or contracting with the State of Texas.

9.15 No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity

Nothing in the Contract will be construed as a waiver of sovereign immunity by the Enterprise Agency.

9.16 Entire Contract and Modification

The Contract constitutes the entire agreement of the Parties and is intended as a complete and exclusive statement of the promises, representations, negotiations, discussions, and other agreements that may have been made in connection with the subject matter hereof. Any additional or conflicting terms in any future document incorporated into the Contract will be harmonized with this Contract to the extent possible by the Enterprise Agency.

9.17 Counterparts

This Contract may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which will be an original, and all such counterparts will together constitute but one and the same Contract.

9.18 Proper Authority

Each Party hereto represents and warrants that the person executing this Contract on its behalf has full power and authority to enter into this Contract. Any Services or Work performed by Grantee before this Contract is effective or after it ceases to be effective are performed at the sole risk of Grantee with respect to compensation.

9.19 Employment Verification

Grantee will confirm the eligibility of all persons employed during the contract term to perform duties within Texas and all persons, including subcontractors, assigned by the contractor to perform work pursuant to the Contract.

9.20 Civil Rights

a. Grantee agrees to comply with state and federal anti-discrimination laws, including:

1. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §2000d *et seq.*);
2. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. §794);
3. Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. §12101 *et seq.*);
4. Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107);
5. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1688);
6. Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. §2011 *et seq.*); and
7. The Enterprise Agency's administrative rules, as set forth in the Texas Administrative Code, to the extent applicable to this Agreement.

Grantee agrees to comply with all amendments to the above-referenced laws, and all requirements imposed by the regulations issued pursuant to these laws. These laws provide in part that no persons in the United States may, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, political beliefs, or religion, be excluded from participation in or denied any aid, care, service or other benefits provided by Federal or State funding, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination.

b. Grantee agrees to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and its implementing regulations at 45 C.F.R. Part 80 or 7 C.F.R. Part 15, prohibiting a contractor from adopting

and implementing policies and procedures that exclude or have the effect of excluding or limiting the participation of clients in its programs, benefits, or activities on the basis of national origin. State and federal civil rights laws require contractors to provide alternative methods for ensuring access to services for applicants and recipients who cannot express themselves fluently in English. Grantee agrees to take reasonable steps to provide services and information, both orally and in writing, in appropriate languages other than English, in order to ensure that persons with limited English proficiency are effectively informed and can have meaningful access to programs, benefits, and activities.

- c. Grantee agrees to post applicable civil rights posters in areas open to the public informing clients of their civil rights and including contact information for the HHS Civil Rights Office. The posters are available on the HHS website at: http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/about_hhsc/civil-rights/brochures-posters.shtml
- d. Grantee agrees to comply with Executive Order 13279, and its implementing regulations at 45 C.F.R. Part 87 or 7 C.F.R. Part 16. These provide in part that any organization that participates in programs funded by direct financial assistance from the United States Department of Agriculture or the United States Department of Health and Human Services shall not discriminate against a program beneficiary or prospective program beneficiary on the basis of religion or religious belief.
- e. Upon request, Grantee will provide HHSC Civil Rights Office with copies of all of the Grantee's civil rights policies and procedures.
- f. Grantee must notify HHSC's Civil Rights Office of any civil rights complaints received relating to its performance under this Agreement. This notice must be delivered no more than ten (10) calendar days after receipt of a complaint. Notice provided pursuant to this section must be directed to:

HHSC Civil Rights Office
701 W. 51st Street, Mail Code W206
Austin, Texas 78751
Phone Toll Free: (888) 388-6332
Phone: (512) 438-4313
TTY Toll Free: (877) 432-7232
Fax: (512) 438-5885.

**SIGNATURE DOCUMENT FOR
DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES
CONTRACT NO. 2016-048872-001
UNDER THE
WOMEN, INFANT AND CHILDREN'S NUTRITION GRANT PROGRAM**

I. LEGAL AUTHORITY

The Department of State Health Services ("Enterprise Agency") and HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ("Grantee") (each a "Party" and collectively the "Parties") enter into the following grant contract (the "Contract"). This Contract is authorized by and in compliance with the provisions of 42 U.S.C. § 1786, 7 CFR Part 246, and Chapter 32 of the Texas Health & Safety Code.

II. DURATION

The Contract is effective on October 1, 2015 and terminates on September 30, 2016 unless renewed, extended, or terminated pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Contract. The Enterprise Agency, at its own discretion, may extend this Contract subject to terms and conditions mutually agreeable to both Parties.

III. BUDGET

The total amount of this Contract will not exceed **\$12,021,647.00**. All payment requests and reimbursements will be made in accordance with the conditions specified in ATTACHMENT A – STATEMENT OF WORK, SECTION IV. BILLING INSTRUCTION AND PAYMENT of this Contract.

Grantee DUNS#: 103110834

CFDA: 10.557.001; 10.557.013; State

Purchase Order Number: 0000419927

IV. NOTICES

Unless otherwise noted in the Attachments to this Contract, any notices required under this Contract shall be deemed delivered when deposited by the Enterprise Agency either in the United States mail, postage paid, certified, return receipt requested; or with a common carrier, overnight, signature required, to the appropriate address below:

Enterprise Agency

Department of State Health Services
Division for Family and Community Health Services
Mail Code 1914
PO Box 149347
Austin, TX 78714-9347

Grantee

HIDALGO COUNTY
HIDALGO COUNTY TREASURER
2810 S BUSINESS 281
EDINBURG, TX 78539-6243

Attn: Ramon Garcia

Notice given by Grantee will be deemed effective when received by the Enterprise Agency. Either Party may change its address for notice by written notice to the other Party as herein provided without amending the Contract.

V. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

If a contract dispute arises that cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the Parties, either Party may notify the other Party in writing of the dispute. If the Parties are unable to satisfactorily resolve the dispute within fourteen (14) days of the written notification, the Parties must use the dispute resolution process provided for in Chapter 2260 of the Texas Government Code to attempt to resolve the dispute. This provision will not apply to any matter with respect to which either Party may make a decision within its respective sole discretion.

SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS

SIGNATURE PAGE FOR ENTERPRISE AGENCY CONTRACT No. 2016-048872-001

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
COMMISSION**

GRANTEE

Chris Traylor
Executive Commissioner

Name: Ramon Garcia
Title: Hidalgo County Judge

Date of execution: _____

Date of execution: 1/19/16

**THE FOLLOWING ATTACHMENTS TO ENTERPRISE AGENCY
CONTRACT No. 2016-048872-001 ARE HEREBY INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE:**

- ATTACHMENT A – STATEMENT OF WORK**
- ATTACHMENT B – UNIFORM TERMS AND CONDITIONS**
- ATTACHMENT C – SPECIAL CONDITIONS**
- ATTACHMENT D – DATA USE AGREEMENT**
- ATTACHMENT E – NON-EXCLUSIVE LIST OF APPLICABLE LAWS**

ATTACHMENT A STATEMENT OF WORK

I. PURPOSE

For the Enterprise Agency's Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infant, and Children (WIC), Grantee shall administer the DSHS WIC to provide supplemental food benefits, nutrition education, and counseling to enhance good health care at no cost to low-income pregnant and postpartum women, infants and children identified to be at nutritional risk.

II. GRANTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

Grantee will:

- A. Perform professional, administrative and clerical services necessary to determine eligibility, provide food benefits, and provide appropriate nutrition education and counseling to qualified women, infants and children in a specified geographic area. Grantee shall ensure adequate staff coverage and uninterrupted delivery of services. Services shall be performed according to the statutes, rules, policies, and directives of DSHS Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) and/or as directed by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) as referenced in this Statement of Work. During the term of this Statement of Work, USDA may issue regulations, instructions, policies and/or directives, which may be incorporated into the current DSHS WIC Program Policy and Procedures Manual and program rules.
- B. Provide services within the state boundaries of Texas and in the approved clinic locations described in Grantee's application.
- C. Assist DSHS or USDA in the collection of data that will identify benefits of this nutrition intervention program and furnish financial, health, nutrition education and any other special reports in a timely manner as required by DSHS WIC Program's written rules and policies for the compilation of such data.
- D. Determine eligibility of applicants through assessment of their categorical income, residence and nutritional status, and provide nutrition education and counseling to eligible participants.
- E. Become and maintain designation as a DSHS Mother-Friendly Worksite in accordance with 25 Tex. Admin. Code § 31.1.
- F. Appoint a Grantee WIC Director/Supervisor.
- G. Train Local Agency staff. The term "Local Agency" is defined at 7 CFR § 246.2.
- H. Conduct outreach to potential participants.
- I. Complete surveys as requested.

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- J. Complete part one, part two, or both of the following:
 - a. Part One: Coordinate with DSHS to visit the physical address of a proposed grocery store outlet and determine if a store exists. Grantee shall send DSHS an email correspondence indicating findings.
 - b. Part Two: Coordinate with DSHS to schedule and conduct an on-site evaluation (refer to WIC policy WV 10.0) of the WIC authorized vendor upon request by DSHS and complete the On-site Evaluation within 30 days and submit the form electronically to DSHS within one business day.

- K. Determine participants' access to health care, medical care and other human services, and make appropriate referrals. Grantee shall have a system in place to provide participants with appropriate health services or make appropriate referrals to health care providers under written agreements that ensure confidentiality of participants' personal information.

- L. Issue pre-numbered WIC Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) cards furnished by DSHS to qualified participants who shall use such EBT cards to obtain specified food items from participating vendors; maintain complete accountability and security of all WIC EBT cards received from DSHS. Grantee shall be held financially responsible for all unaccounted WIC EBT cards and/or for the redeemed value of those issued to ineligible participants. In addition, Grantee shall be held financially liable for issuance of infant formula instruments that are not authorized or prescribed according to the WIC Policy and Procedures Manual.

- M. Permit DSHS or its agent to install telecommunications equipment at all Grantee WIC clinics and administrative offices using Texas-WIN software on a network or stand alone personal computer. Grantee is required to permit installation at all its permanent WIC sites. Grantee will notify DSHS not less than forty-five (45) days prior to the relocation of a site or the deployment of a new site to allow DSHS or its agent to install telecommunications equipment.

- N. Connect portable computers (e.g. notebook or laptop) that use Texas-WIN software daily to a DSHS-provided telecommunications access point to transfer data to and receive updates from DSHS. Data transfer and update connection must be made on each day that Grantee provides WIC.

- O. Review the immunization records of WIC Program applicants/participants to ensure that immunizations are current. Make appropriate referrals to health care providers for necessary immunizations.

- P. Offer services during extended hours of operation outside the traditional times of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, according to the Grantee's Annual Plan of Operations as approved by DSHS and incorporated by reference in this Statement of Work.

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- Q. Implement or expand Grantee's Breastfeeding Peer Counseling program to provide training and salary of peer counselors who assist pregnant and breastfeeding WIC participants in normal breastfeeding situations. Provide clients with after-hours peer counseling services. Funding for this activity will be contingent on availability and written approval by DSHS.

- R. Implement special projects according to DSHS-approved plan related to nutrition education, outreach or breastfeeding if project is requested by Grantee and approved by DSHS. Funding for special projects is contingent upon availability and approval in writing by DSHS of the Grantee's plan for the special project.

- S. Implement lactation services for WIC participants who have breastfeeding problems that are beyond the expertise of Grantee's local WIC staff and/or peer counselors using International Board Certified Lactation Consultants or the most qualified equivalent. Lactation services may also include Local Agency staff training and the provision of lactation equipment. DSHS will provide written approval of Grantee's plan to use lactation funding. Grantee's plan shall include qualifications of any non-board certified lactation consultant, which is included in the proposal.

- T. Serve as (1) a lactation center for Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infant and Children (WIC) mothers with breastfeeding problems, (2) a training center for WIC local agency staff and other health providers to receive clinical experience working with breastfeeding mothers, and (3) a statewide Lactation Resource Center for health providers to utilize for information and assistance when working with pregnant and breastfeeding women. Grantee must provide counseling services (to include in-person, phone, web-cam, and email consults) to at least 1000 breastfeeding mothers at Grantee's location per year. Grantee shall meet or exceed 40 students (i.e. WIC staff, dietetic interns, residents, nurses) completing the Clinical Lactation Practicum or other breastfeeding training at Grantee's location. Grantee shall provide community education and track outreach activities to promote and support breastfeeding and the use of the lactation center in the community. Grantee shall submit a quarterly activity report, in a format to be provided by DSHS, which documents the Grantee's activities to meet the performance measures stated above. Grantee shall complete and submit the reports to DSHS within 30 calendar days after the end of each quarter of this Contract.

- U. Ensure adequate staff coverage and uninterrupted delivery of WIC services if any member of Grantee's staff is approved in writing by DSHS to participate in the DSHS Dietetic Internship program. This internship will consist of no less than 1200 hours of supervised learning experiences in a variety of nutrition-related facilities. Grantee is responsible for: (1) Designating a WIC Nutritionist (preferably a Registered Dietitian) to be the Community Nutrition (CN)-WIC Preceptor and oversee and evaluate intern's performance for the Community Nutrition/WIC portion of the Texas WIC Dietetic Internship. (2) Community Nutrition Preceptor will ensure that interns meet all requirements, standards and required supervised practice hours for the Community

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Nutrition CN Supervised Practice. (3) Ensuring that intern is not used for regular WIC duties during the internship period. (4) Collecting pay-back monies from intern in the event that the intern does not fulfill dietetic internship local agency contract requirements. Monies must be returned to State Agency.

- V. Stock DSHS-provided manual pumps, single-user electric breast pumps and multi-user electric breast pumps, collection kits, and purchase additional sized flanges. Distribute the appropriate pumps, kits, and/or additional sized flanges to eligible WIC participants. During the term of this Statement of Work, DSHS reserves the right to withhold payment if Grantee fails to accurately complete and submit online breast pump receiving reports within three (3) business days of receiving a DSHS breast pump delivery as documented in the current WIC Local Agency policy and procedure manual.

- W. Implement or expand Grantee's use of a Registered Dietitian (RD) who is registered with the Commission on Dietetic Registration to provide for Grantee that includes, but not limited to: assistance with quality assurance, staff training, assistance with the Annual Nutrition Education and Breastfeeding plan, individual counseling for high-risk participants, and facilitated discussion classes.

- X. Grantee shall resolve all possible dual participation records each month. During the term of this Statement of Work, DSHS reserves the right to withhold payment if Grantee fails to accurately resolve all possible dual participation records within three (3) months from the month of the automated alert within the Texas WIN system.

Within thirty (30) days of receipt of an amended standard(s) or guideline(s) listed above, Grantee shall inform DSHS, in writing, if it shall not continue performance under this Statement of Work in compliance with the amended standard(s) or guideline(s). DSHS may terminate the Statement of Work immediately or within a reasonable period of time as determined by DSHS.

All activities related to WIC, including timeframes, budget, and any revisions shall be approved by DSHS.

III. PERFORMANCE MEASURES

The following performance measures will be used to assess, in part, Grantee's effectiveness in providing the services described in this Statement of Work, without waiving the enforceability of any of the other terms of the contract.

- A. Grantee shall ensure:
 - 1) An average of 95% of families each quarter who participate in DSHS WIC Program by receiving food benefits shall also receive nutrition education classes or individual counseling services to coincide with food instrument issuance;

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- 2) An average of 20% of all pregnant women who enter DSHS WIC Program each quarter shall be certified as eligible during the period of the first trimester of their pregnancy;
- 3) An average of 80% of clients a quarter who are enrolled in the DSHS WIC Program, excluding dual participants, transfer locked and/or migrant clients, shall participate as food benefit recipients each month (breast-feeding infants are also included in the client count); and
- 4) 98% of participants who indicate during the enrollment process for the DSHS WIC Program that they have no source of health care shall be referred to at least one (1) source of health care at certification of eligibility.

B. Grantee shall submit:

1. *WIC Local Agency Performance Measure Report* which describes Grantee's efforts towards meeting performance measures. The report shall be in an approved format as provided by DSHS, and shall be completed and submitted to DSHS within fifteen (15) calendar days after the end of each month; and
2. Monthly Incentive Funding Summary Report by the 15th day of the following month.
3. Grantee shall submit quarterly FSRs to DSHS Contract Development and Support Branch at WicVouchers@dshs.state.tx.us by the last business day of the month following the end of each quarter of the Contract Statement of Work term for Department review and financial assessment.

IV. BILLING INSTRUCTIONS AND PAYMENT

Grantee shall request payment using the State of Texas Purchase Voucher (Form B-13) and Financial Status Reports (FSR) and submit by electronic mail to DSHS Contract Development and Support Branch at WicVouchers@dshs.state.tx.us. Grantee shall indicate separately on the face of the claim for reimbursement (State of Texas Purchase Voucher, Form B-13) the costs associated with nutrition education, breast-feeding, and other administrative costs.

All payments made by DSHS to Grantee under this Contract will be reimbursements subject to the following requirements, conditions and stipulations:

All categories of costs billed to DSHS WIC Program, and allocation of such costs, shall be in accordance with the "Plan to Allocate Direct Costs" (PADC) submitted by Grantee and approved by the DSHS WIC Program. This document is incorporated by reference and detailed in ATTACHMENT E – NON-EXCLUSIVE LIST OF APPLICABLE LAWS.

DSHS will reimburse Grantee for administrative costs incurred when determining eligibility, providing appropriate nutrition education and counseling, issuing WIC EBT cards, making

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participant referrals, vendor evaluation, outreach, start-up costs and general administrative support.

Administrative costs will be reimbursed based on actual costs, but not to exceed the "maximum reimbursement" based upon the sum of the participants who actually receive WIC EBT cards each month plus infants who do not receive any WIC EBT cards whose breastfeeding mothers were participants to the extent that the total so derived does not exceed Grantee's total assigned caseload within any given month. Surplus funds (the amount by which maximum reimbursements exceed actual costs) can be accumulated and carried forward within the Statement of Work term.

The participant caseload will be assigned by DSHS by giving written notice to Grantee. The participant caseload is subject to change upon written notice to Grantee from DSHS with Grantee's concurrence. Grantee assumes liability for all food costs resulting from Grantee exceeding its assigned caseload. The number of individuals served in excess of assigned caseload are not to be included in the calculation of earned administrative funds as described below.

PARTICIPANTS SERVED PER MONTH MAXIMUM REIMBURSEMENT:

During the term of the Statement of Work, Grantee shall earn administrative funds at the rate of \$12.06 for each participant served as defined above.

Grantee agrees that:

- A. Grantee shall identify and document separately not less than 19% of total administrative costs as expenditures directly related to nutrition education and counseling. Nutrition education and counseling expenditures shall be supported by documentation of participant attendance or non-attendance within the DSHS WIC Program.
- B. DSHS will reimburse Grantee for administrative expenses at a rate not greater than 5.26 times the amount of properly documented expenditures for nutrition education and counseling, but not more than is earned based on actual participation not to exceed Grantee's assigned participant caseload, plus any incentive funds allocated to Grantee by DSHS.
- C. DSHS will reimburse Grantee's indirect costs by one of the following: (1) amount calculated in accordance with Grantee's current valid federally negotiated indirect cost rate (IDCR), (2) amount calculated in accordance with Grantee's accepted DSHS Cost Allocation Plan. DSHS will limit (cap) Cost Allocation Plan reimbursement at twenty (20) percent applied to Grantee's total direct salaries plus benefits reimbursed by DSHS, or (3) a Grantee that has never negotiated an IDCR may elect to charge a de minimis rate of 10% of modified total direct costs.

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- D. DSHS will identify annually to Grantee an amount of funds that shall be spent for breastfeeding promotion. The allocation of breastfeeding funds to Grantee will be based on Grantee's proportional share of the statewide combined total of pregnant and breastfeeding participants as reported to DSHS WIC Program.
- E. DSHS WIC Program also reserves the right to withhold a proportionate amount of earned administrative funds when evidence exists that nutrition education and/or breastfeeding promotion is not being provided by Grantee, or Grantee is not complying with the provisions of USDA and/or DSHS directives.
- F. DSHS may amend or terminate this Statement of Work if available funds become reduced, depleted, or unavailable during the term of the Statement of Work to the extent that the WIC Program is unable to provide administrative funding at the rate(s) stated in this Statement of Work. DSHS will provide written notification to Grantee of such fact.
- G. DSHS may, at its sole discretion, pay for additional goods or services as specified in this Statement of Work if provided by Local Agency during the term of this Statement of Work (but not otherwise paid during the term of this Statement of Work) if it is in the best interest of DSHS and DSHS WIC Program to do so. If Grantee exceeds the amount of earned administrative funds as stated above, Grantee shall continue to bill DSHS for the services provided. If additional funds become available at a later date for the provision of these services, DSHS WIC Program may pay Grantee a share of these funds.
- H. DSHS may provide incentives to Grantee for participants who are provided WIC services outside the normal traditional hours to the extent that federal funding is available.
- I. DSHS WIC Program will pay Grantee actual allowable costs not to exceed \$289,000 incurred in the provision of services as described in Section II, T. above.
- J. During the term of this Statement of Work, DSHS may, at its sole discretion, unilaterally adjust the base reimbursement rate as defined in this Statement of Work if it is in the best interest of DSHS and the DSHS WIC Program and if administrative WIC Grant funds change.



TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

CERTIFICATION FOR CONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOANS AND COOPERATIVE

AGREEMENTS

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

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

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 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 that \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Signature

01/19/16

Date

Ramon Garcia

Print Name of Authorized Individual

2016-048872-001

Application or Contract Number

HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES

Organization Name

ATTACHMENT C SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Section 1.01 Notice of Legal Matter or Litigation.

Contractor shall notify the contract manager assigned to this Contract of any litigation or legal matter related to or affecting this Contract within seven calendar days of becoming aware of the litigation or legal matter.

Section 1.02 Notice of a Contract Action.

Contractor shall notify their assigned contract manager assigned to the contract if Contractor has had any contract

suspended or terminated for cause by any local, state or federal department or agency or nonprofit entity within five days of becoming aware of the action and include the following:

- a. Reason for such action;
- b. Name and contact information of the local, state or federal department or agency or entity;
- c. Date of the contract;
- d. Date of suspension or termination; and
- e. Contract or case reference number.

Section 1.03 Notice of Bankruptcy. Contractor shall notify in writing their assigned contract manager assigned of its plan to seek bankruptcy protection within five days of such action by Contractor.

Section 1.04 Notice of Criminal Activity and Disciplinary Actions.

- a. Contractor shall immediately report in writing their contract manager when the Contractor has knowledge or reason to believe any that they or any person with ownership or controlling interest in the organization/business, or their agent, employee, subcontractor or volunteer that is providing services under this Contract has engaged in any activity that:
 1. Would constitute a criminal offense equal to or greater than a Class A misdemeanor; and
 2. Reasonably would constitute grounds for disciplinary action by a state or federal regulatory authority; or
 3. Has been placed on community supervision, received deferred adjudication, or been indicted for or convicted of a criminal offense relating to involvement in any financial matter, federal or state program or felony sex crime.
- b. Contractor shall not permit any person who engaged, or was alleged to have engaged, in any activity subject to reporting under this section to perform direct client services or have direct contact with clients, unless otherwise directed in writing by DSHS.

Section 1.05 Contractor's Notification of Change of Contact Person or Key Personnel.

Within ten days shall notify in writing the contract manager assigned to the Contract of any change enumerated in the Contractor's Contact Person or Key Personnel.

Section 1.06 All activities related to WIC, including timeframes, budget, and any revisions shall be approved by DSHS.

Section 1.07 Contractor shall comply with all provisions required by implementing the regulations of the Department of Agriculture, 7 CFR Part 246, 248; Department of Justice Guidelines for Enforcement of Title VI; 28 CFR § 50.3 and 28 CFR Part 42; and Food & Nutrition Service (FNS) directives and guidelines, to the effect that no person will, on the

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grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability be excluded from participation under any program or activity for which Contractor receives federal financial assistance from FNS; and hereby gives assurance that it shall immediately take measures necessary to implement this Contract.

Contractor shall compile data, maintain records and submit reports, as required, to permit effective enforcement of the nondiscrimination laws and permit authorized USDA and State of Texas personnel, during normal working hours, to review such records, books, and accounts as needed to ascertain compliance with the nondiscrimination laws. The Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service (USDA), has the right to seek judicial enforcement if Contractor violates any nondiscrimination laws. This Assurance is binding on Contractor, its successors, transferees, and assignees, as long as they receive assistance or retain possession of any assistance from the Department of Agriculture. The person or persons whose signatures appear on the Core Contract are authorized to sign this Assurance on behalf of Contractor.

Contractor shall comply with all of the requirements of the current WIC Policy and Procedures Manual and Program rules as well as state and federal laws and amendments governing or regulating the WIC Program. A copy of the current WIC Policy and Procedures Manual has been made available to Contractor. The WIC Policy and Procedures Manual, and all revisions made to the WIC Policy and Procedures Manual are incorporated into this Agreement by reference. Contractor is responsible to remain familiar with the contents within the WIC Policy and Procedures Manual.

Contractor is responsible for ensuring that employees or agents acting on behalf of Contractor comply with all of the requirements of the current WIC Policy and Procedures Manual, Program rules, and all state and federal laws and amendments governing and regulating the WIC Program.

Section 1.08 The Contractor will be notified if a change in funding occurs and will have sixty (60) days to provide written notice to the DSHS if it intends to terminate this contract.

Contractor shall submit all performance, and other Closeout reports required under this Contract within 60 calendar days after the Contract, if applicable, has terminated.

Surplus encumbered by September 30 shall be billed and vouchers received by DSHS no later than 60 calendar days following the term of the contract.

Section 1.09 Contractor will be allowed the option of receiving a two (2) month cash advance in accordance with current WIC Program Policy and Procedures.

Section 1.10 Contractor shall maintain full and complete records concerning Program operations and the following requirements:

- a. Records shall include, but not be limited to, information pertaining to financial operations, food delivery systems, food benefit issuance and redemption, equipment purchases and inventory, certification, nutrition education, civil rights and fair hearing procedures.

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- b. If USDA deems any of the WIC program records to be of historical interest, it may require DSHS or the Contractor to forward such records to the USDA whenever either entity is disposing of them.
- c. All records shall be available during normal business hours for representatives of the USDA, DSHS and the Comptroller General of the United States to inspect, audit, and copy. Any reports or other documents resulting from the examination of such records that are publicly released may not include confidential applicant or participant information.

Section 1.11 If Contractor chooses to interview a client to determine if an affirmative defense to prosecution exists, **as defined by DSHS**, which would allow them under the DSHS policy to not make a report of child abuse, the Contractor shall conduct these interviews in the following manner:

- a. For ineligible clients, the interview shall be conducted after the entire WIC visit is done. For eligible clients, the interview may occur at the point in time when all WIC activities, including communication of eligibility and individual counseling, are completed with the exception of food instrument issuance.
- b. The interview shall be conducted only by a competent authority or a supervisor and in a confidential setting.
- c. Prior to asking the client any questions, the interviewer shall inform the client that the questions have no bearing on the client's WIC eligibility and receipt of services.

Section 1.12 Contractor shall maintain an inventory of reportable capital assets placed in the custody of the Contractor by DSHS. Contractor shall conduct an annual inventory for each administrative and clinic site and submit to DSHS Property Management in a format and upon a delivery date designated by DSHS. Contractor shall administer a program of maintenance, repair and protection of assets under this Contract so as to assure their full availability and usefulness. In the event Contractor is indemnified, reimbursed, or otherwise compensated for any loss of, destruction of, or damage to the assets provided under this Contract, it shall use the proceeds to repair or replace said assets.

Section 1.13 DSHS may terminate this Contract with at least thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice to the other Party.

If the Contractor seeks to terminate this Contract, Contractor shall give the Department at least sixty (60) calendar days prior written notice and shall submit a transition plan to ensure client services are not disrupted.

The Parties can agree to terminate by mutual agreement.

DSHS may temporarily suspend or terminate this Contract, as applicable if funds become unavailable through lack of appropriations, budget cuts, transfer of funds between programs or HHSC agencies, amendments to the Appropriations Act, health and human services consolidations or any other disruption of current appropriated funding for this Contract. Contractor shall be notified in writing of any termination or temporary suspension and of any cessation of temporary suspension. Upon notification of temporary suspension, Contractor will

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discontinue performance under the Contract as of the effective date of the suspension for the duration of the suspension.

Section 1.14 Section 9.02, Insurance, of Attachment B - Uniform Terms and Conditions, is deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following: Pursuant to Chapter 2259 of the Texas Government Code entitled, "Self-Insurance by Governmental Units," Each Party is self-insured and, therefore, is not required to purchase insurance.

ATTACHMENT D
DATA USE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE
TEXAS HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ENTERPRISE
AND
HIDALGO COUNTY

This Data Use Agreement (“DUA”), is entered into by and between the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, by and through the Department of State Health Services (“HHS”) and HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (“CONTRACTOR”), and incorporated into the terms of DSHS Contract No. 2016-048872-001 in Travis County, Texas (the “Base Contract”). The DUA takes effect contemporaneously with the Base Contract.

ARTICLE 1.
PURPOSE; APPLICABILITY; ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

The purpose of this DUA is to facilitate creation, receipt, maintenance, use, disclosure or access to Confidential Information with CONTRACTOR, and describe CONTRACTOR’s rights and obligations with respect to the Confidential Information. *45 CFR 164.504(e)(1)-(3)*. This DUA also describes HHS’s remedies in the event of CONTRACTOR’s noncompliance with its obligations under this DUA. This DUA applies to both Business Associates and contractors who are not Business Associates who create, receive, maintain, use, disclose or have access to Confidential Information on behalf of HHS, its programs or clients as described in the Base Contract.

As of the Effective Date of this DUA, if any provision of the Base Contract, including any General Provisions or Uniform Terms and Conditions, conflicts with this DUA, this DUA controls.

ARTICLE 2.
DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this DUA, capitalized, underlined terms have the meanings set forth in the following: Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191 (42 U.S.C. §1320d, *et seq.*) and regulations thereunder in 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164, including all amendments, regulations and guidance issued thereafter; The Social Security Act, including Section 1137 (42 U.S.C. §§ 1320b-7), Title XVI of the Act; The Privacy Act of 1974, as amended by the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988, 5 U.S.C. § 552a and regulations and guidance thereunder; Internal Revenue Code, Title 26 of the United States Code and regulations and publications adopted under that code, including IRS Publication 1075; OMB Memorandum 07-18; Texas Business and Commerce Code Ch. 521; Texas Government Code, Ch. 552, and Texas Government Code §2054.1125. In addition, the following terms in this DUA are defined as follows:

“Authorized Purpose” means the specific purpose or purposes described in the Statement of Work of the Base Contract for CONTRACTOR to fulfill its obligations under the Base Contract, or any other purpose expressly authorized by HHS in writing in advance.

“Authorized User” means a Person:

- (1) Who is authorized to create, receive, maintain, have access to, process, view, handle, examine, interpret, or analyze Confidential Information pursuant to this DUA;
- (2) For whom CONTRACTOR warrants and represents has a demonstrable need to create, receive, maintain, use, disclose or have access to the Confidential Information; and
- (3) Who has agreed in writing to be bound by the disclosure and use limitations pertaining to the Confidential Information as required by this DUA.

“Confidential Information” means any communication or record (whether oral, written, electronically stored or transmitted, or in any other form) provided to or made available to CONTRACTOR, or that CONTRACTOR may, for an Authorized Purpose, create, receive, maintain, use, disclose or have access to, that consists of or includes any or all of the following:

- (1) Client Information;
- (2) Protected Health Information in any form including without limitation, Electronic Protected Health Information or Unsecured Protected Health Information (herein “PHI”);
- (3) Sensitive Personal Information defined by Texas Business and Commerce Code Ch. 521;
- (4) Federal Tax Information;
- (5) Individually Identifiable Health Information as related to HIPAA, Texas HIPAA and Personal Identifying Information under the Texas Identity Theft Enforcement and Protection Act;
- (6) Social Security Administration Data, including, without limitation, Medicaid information;
- (7) All privileged work product;
- (8) All information designated as confidential under the constitution and laws of the State of Texas and of the United States, including the Texas Health & Safety Code and the Texas Public Information Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 552.

“Legally Authorized Representative” of the Individual, as defined by Texas law, including as provided in 45 CFR 435.923 (Medicaid); 45 CFR 164.502(g)(1) (HIPAA); Tex. Occ. Code § 151.002(6); Tex. H. & S. Code § 166.164; and Estates Code Ch. 752.

ARTICLE 3.
CONTRACTOR'S DUTIES REGARDING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

3.01 Obligations of CONTRACTOR

CONTRACTOR agrees that:

(A) CONTRACTOR will exercise reasonable care and no less than the same degree of care CONTRACTOR uses to protect its own confidential, proprietary and trade secret information to prevent any portion of the Confidential Information from being used in a manner that is not expressly an Authorized Purpose under this DUA or as Required by Law. *45 CFR 164.502(b)(1); 45 CFR 164.514(d)*

(B) Except as Required by Law, CONTRACTOR will not disclose or allow access to any portion of the Confidential Information to any Person or other entity, other than Authorized User's Workforce or Subcontractors (as defined in *45 C.F.R. 160.103*) of CONTRACTOR who have completed training in confidentiality, privacy, security and the importance of promptly reporting any Event or Breach to CONTRACTOR's management, to carry out CONTRACTOR's obligations in connection with the Authorized Purpose.

HHS, at its election, may assist CONTRACTOR in training and education on specific or unique HHS processes, systems and/or requirements. CONTRACTOR will produce evidence of completed training to HHS upon request. *45 C.F.R. 164.308(a)(5)(i); Texas Health & Safety Code §181.101*

(C) CONTRACTOR will establish, implement and maintain appropriate sanctions against any member of its Workforce or Subcontractor who fails to comply with this DUA, the Base Contract or applicable law. CONTRACTOR will maintain evidence of sanctions and produce it to HHS upon request. *45 C.F.R. 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(C); 164.530(e); 164.410(b); 164.530(b)(1)*

(D) CONTRACTOR will not, except as otherwise permitted by this DUA, disclose or provide access to any Confidential Information on the basis that such act is Required by Law without notifying either HHS or CONTRACTOR's own legal counsel to determine whether CONTRACTOR should object to the disclosure or access and seek appropriate relief. CONTRACTOR will maintain an accounting of all such requests for disclosure and responses and provide such accounting to HHS within 48 hours of HHS' request. *45 CFR 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(A)*

(E) CONTRACTOR will not attempt to re-identify or further identify Confidential Information or De-identified Information, or attempt to contact any Individuals whose records are contained in the Confidential Information, except for an Authorized Purpose, without express written authorization from HHS or as expressly permitted by the Base Contract. *45 CFR 164.502(d)(2)(i) and (ii)* CONTRACTOR will not engage in prohibited marketing or sale of Confidential Information. *45 CFR 164.501, 164.508(a)(3) and (4); Texas Health & Safety Code Ch. 181.002*

(F) CONTRACTOR will not permit, or enter into any agreement with a Subcontractor to, create, receive, maintain, use, disclose, have access to or transmit Confidential Information to carry out CONTRACTOR's obligations in connection with the Authorized Purpose on behalf of CONTRACTOR, unless Subcontractor agrees to comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations. **45 CFR 164.502(e)(1)(ii); 164.504(e)(1)(i) and (2).**

(G) CONTRACTOR is directly responsible for compliance with, and enforcement of, all conditions for creation, maintenance, use, disclosure, transmission and Destruction of Confidential Information and the acts or omissions of Subcontractors as may be reasonably necessary to prevent unauthorized use. **45 CFR 164.504(e)(5); 42 CFR 431.300, et seq.**

(H) If CONTRACTOR maintains PHI in a Designated Record Set which is Confidential Information and subject to this Agreement, CONTRACTOR will make PHI available to HHS in a Designated Record Set upon request. CONTRACTOR will provide PHI to an Individual, or Legally Authorized Representative of the Individual who is requesting PHI in compliance with the requirements of the HIPAA Privacy Regulations. CONTRACTOR will release PHI in accordance with the HIPAA Privacy Regulations upon receipt of a valid written authorization. CONTRACTOR will make other Confidential Information in CONTRACTOR's possession available pursuant to the requirements of HIPAA or other applicable law upon a determination of a Breach of Unsecured PHI as defined in HIPAA. CONTRACTOR will maintain an accounting of all such disclosures and provide it to HHS within 48 hours of HHS' request. **45 CFR 164.524 and 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(E).**

(I) If PHI is subject to this Agreement, CONTRACTOR will make PHI as required by HIPAA available to HHS for review subsequent to CONTRACTOR's incorporation of any amendments requested pursuant to HIPAA. **45 CFR 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(E) and (F).**

(J) If PHI is subject to this Agreement, CONTRACTOR will document and make available to HHS the PHI required to provide access, an accounting of disclosures or amendment in compliance with the requirements of the HIPAA Privacy Regulations. **45 CFR 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(G) and 164.528.**

(K) If CONTRACTOR receives a request for access, amendment or accounting of PHI from an individual with a right of access to information subject to this DUA, it will respond to such request in compliance with the HIPAA Privacy Regulations. CONTRACTOR will maintain an accounting of all responses to requests for access to or amendment of PHI and provide it to HHS within 48 hours of HHS' request. **45 CFR 164.504(e)(2).**

(L) CONTRACTOR will provide, and will cause its Subcontractors and agents to provide, to HHS periodic written certifications of compliance with controls and provisions relating to information privacy, security and breach notification, including

without limitation information related to data transfers and the handling and disposal of Confidential Information. *45 CFR 164.308; 164.530(c); 1 TAC 202.*

(M) Except as otherwise limited by this DUA, the Base Contract, or law applicable to the Confidential Information, CONTRACTOR may use PHI for the proper management and administration of CONTRACTOR or to carry out CONTRACTOR's legal responsibilities. Except as otherwise limited by this DUA, the Base Contract, or law applicable to the Confidential Information, CONTRACTOR may disclose PHI for the proper management and administration of CONTRACTOR, or to carry out CONTRACTOR's legal responsibilities, if: *45 CFR 164.504(e)(4)(A).*

(1) Disclosure is Required by Law, provided that CONTRACTOR complies with Section 3.01(D); or

(2) CONTRACTOR obtains reasonable assurances from the person or entity to which the information is disclosed that the person or entity will:

(a) Maintain the confidentiality of the Confidential Information in accordance with this DUA;

(b) Use or further disclose the information only as Required by Law or for the Authorized Purpose for which it was disclosed to the Person; and

(c) Notify CONTRACTOR in accordance with Section 4.01 of any Event or Breach of Confidential Information of which the Person discovers or should have discovered with the exercise of reasonable diligence. *45 CFR 164.504(e)(4)(ii)(B).*

(N) Except as otherwise limited by this DUA, CONTRACTOR will, if required by law and requested by HHS, use commercially reasonable efforts to use PHI to provide data aggregation services to HHS, as that term is defined in the HIPAA, 45 C.F.R. §164.501 and permitted by HIPAA. *45 CFR 164.504(e)(2)(i)(B)*

(O) CONTRACTOR will, on the termination or expiration of this DUA or the Base Contract, at its expense, send to HHS or Destroy, at HHS's election and to the extent reasonably feasible and permissible by law, all Confidential Information received from HHS or created or maintained by CONTRACTOR or any of CONTRACTOR's agents or Subcontractors on HHS's behalf if that data contains Confidential Information. CONTRACTOR will certify in writing to HHS that all the Confidential Information that has been created, received, maintained, used by or disclosed to CONTRACTOR, has been Destroyed or sent to HHS, and that CONTRACTOR and its agents and Subcontractors have retained no copies thereof. Notwithstanding the foregoing, HHS acknowledges and agrees that CONTRACTOR is not obligated to send to HHS and/or Destroy any Confidential Information if federal law, state law, the Texas State Library and Archives Commission records retention schedule, and/or a litigation hold notice prohibit such delivery or Destruction. If such delivery or Destruction is not reasonably feasible, or is impermissible by law, CONTRACTOR will immediately notify HHS of the reasons such delivery or

Destruction is not feasible, and agree to extend indefinitely the protections of this DUA to the Confidential Information and limit its further uses and disclosures to the purposes that make the return delivery or Destruction of the Confidential Information not feasible for as long as CONTRACTOR maintains such Confidential Information. **45 CFR 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(J)**

(P) CONTRACTOR will create, maintain, use, disclose, transmit or Destroy Confidential Information in a secure fashion that protects against any reasonably anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of such information or unauthorized uses. **45 CFR 164.306; 164.530(c)**

(Q) If CONTRACTOR accesses, transmits, stores, and/or maintains Confidential Information, CONTRACTOR will complete and return to HHS at infosecurity@hhsc.state.tx.us the HHS information security and privacy initial inquiry (SPI) at Attachment 1. The SPI identifies basic privacy and security controls with which CONTRACTOR must comply to protect HHS Confidential Information. CONTRACTOR will comply with periodic security controls compliance assessment and monitoring by HHS as required by state and federal law, based on the type of Confidential Information CONTRACTOR creates, receives, maintains, uses, discloses or has access to and the Authorized Purpose and level of risk. CONTRACTOR's security controls will be based on the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication 800-53. CONTRACTOR will update its security controls assessment whenever there are significant changes in security controls for HHS Confidential Information and will provide the updated document to HHS. HHS also reserves the right to request updates as needed to satisfy state and federal monitoring requirements. **45 CFR 164.306.**

(R) CONTRACTOR will establish, implement and maintain reasonable procedural, administrative, physical and technical safeguards to preserve and maintain the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the Confidential Information, and with respect to PHI, as described in the HIPAA Privacy and Security Regulations, or other applicable laws or regulations relating to Confidential Information, to prevent any unauthorized use or disclosure of Confidential Information as long as CONTRACTOR has such Confidential Information in its actual or constructive possession. **45 CFR 164.308 (administrative safeguards); 164.310 (physical safeguards); 164.312 (technical safeguards); 164.530(c)(privacy safeguards).**

(S) CONTRACTOR will designate and identify, a Person or Persons, as Privacy Official **45 CFR 164.530(a)(1)** and Information Security Official, each of whom is authorized to act on behalf of CONTRACTOR and is responsible for the development and implementation of the privacy and security requirements in this DUA. CONTRACTOR will provide name and current address, phone number and e-mail address for such designated officials to HHS upon execution of this DUA and prior to any change. If such persons fail to develop and implement the requirements of the DUA, CONTRACTOR will replace them upon HHS request. **45 CFR 164.308(a)(2).**

(T) CONTRACTOR represents and warrants that its Authorized Users each have a demonstrated need to know and have access to Confidential Information solely to the minimum extent necessary to accomplish the Authorized Purpose pursuant to this DUA and the Base Contract, and further, that each has agreed in writing to be bound by the disclosure and use limitations pertaining to the Confidential Information contained in this DUA. **45 CFR 164.502; 164.514(d).**

(U) CONTRACTOR and its Subcontractors will maintain an updated, complete, accurate and numbered list of Authorized Users, their signatures, titles and the date they agreed to be bound by the terms of this DUA, at all times and supply it to HHS, as directed, upon request.

(V) CONTRACTOR will implement, update as necessary, and document reasonable and appropriate policies and procedures for privacy, security and Breach of Confidential Information and an incident response plan for an Event or Breach, to comply with the privacy, security and breach notice requirements of this DUA prior to conducting work under the Statement of Work. **45 CFR 164.308; 164.316; 164.514(d); 164.530(i)(1).**

(W) CONTRACTOR will produce copies of its information security and privacy policies and procedures and records relating to the use or disclosure of Confidential Information received from, created by, or received, used or disclosed by CONTRACTOR for an Authorized Purpose for HHS's review and approval within 30 days of execution of this DUA and upon request by HHS the following business day or other agreed upon time frame. **45 CFR 164.308; 164.514(d).**

(X) CONTRACTOR will make available to HHS any information HHS requires to fulfill HHS's obligations to provide access to, or copies of, PHI in accordance with HIPAA and other applicable laws and regulations relating to Confidential Information. CONTRACTOR will provide such information in a time and manner reasonably agreed upon or as designated by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, or other federal or state law. **45 CFR 164.504(e)(2)(i)(I).**

(Y) CONTRACTOR will only conduct secure transmissions of Confidential Information whether in paper, oral or electronic form, in accordance with applicable rules, regulations and laws. A secure transmission of electronic Confidential Information in motion includes, but is not limited to, Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP) or Encryption at an appropriate level. If required by rule, regulation or law, HHS Confidential Information at rest requires Encryption unless there is other adequate administrative, technical, and physical security. All electronic data transfer and communications of Confidential Information will be through secure systems. Proof of system, media or device security and/or Encryption must be produced to HHS no later than 48 hours after HHS's written request in response to a compliance investigation, audit or the Discovery of an Event or Breach. Otherwise, requested production of such proof will be made as agreed upon by the parties. De-identification of HHS Confidential Information is a means of security. With respect to de-identification of PHI, "secure" means de-identified according to HIPAA Privacy standards and regulatory guidance. **45 CFR 164.312; 164.530(d).**

(Z) For each type of Confidential Information CONTRACTOR creates, receives, maintains, uses, discloses, has access to or transmits in the performance of the Statement of Work, CONTRACTOR will comply with the following laws rules and regulations, only to the extent applicable and required by law:

- Title 1, Part 10, Chapter 202, Subchapter B, Texas Administrative Code;
- The Privacy Act of 1974;
- OMB Memorandum 07-16;
- The Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002 (FISMA);
- The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) as defined in the DUA;
- Internal Revenue Publication 1075 – Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies;
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication 800-66 Revision 1 – An Introductory Resource Guide for Implementing the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Security Rule;
- NIST Special Publications 800-53 and 800-53A – Recommended Security Controls for Federal Information Systems and Organizations, as currently revised;
- NIST Special Publication 800-47 – Security Guide for Interconnecting Information Technology Systems;
- NIST Special Publication 800-88, Guidelines for Media Sanitization;
- NIST Special Publication 800-111, Guide to Storage of Encryption Technologies for End User Devices containing PHI; and

Any other State or Federal law, regulation, or administrative rule relating to the specific HHS program area that CONTRACTOR supports on behalf of HHS.

(AA) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, CONTRACTOR will treat any Personal Identifying Information it creates, receives, maintains, uses, transmits, destroys and/or discloses in accordance with Texas Business and Commerce Code, Chapter 521 and other applicable regulatory standards identified in Section 3.01(Z), and Individually Identifiable Health Information CONTRACTOR creates, receives, maintains, uses, transmits, destroys and/or discloses in accordance with HIPAA and other applicable regulatory standards identified in Section 3.01(Z).

ARTICLE 4.
BREACH NOTICE, REPORTING AND CORRECTION REQUIREMENTS

4.01 Breach or Event Notification to HHS. 45 CFR 164.400-414.

(A) CONTRACTOR will cooperate fully with HHS in investigating, mitigating to the extent practicable and issuing notifications directed by HHS, for any Event or Breach of Confidential Information to the extent and in the manner determined by HHS.

(B) CONTRACTOR'S obligation begins at the Discovery of an Event or Breach and continues as long as related activity continues, until all effects of the Event are mitigated to HHS's reasonable satisfaction (the "incident response period"). **45 CFR 164.404.**

(C) Breach Notice:

(1) Initial Notice.

(a) For federal information, including without limitation, Federal Tax Information, Social Security Administration Data, and Medicaid Client Information, within the first, consecutive clock hour of Discovery, and for all other types of Confidential Information not more than 24 hours after Discovery, or in a timeframe otherwise approved by HHS in writing, initially report to HHS's Privacy and Security Officers via email at: privacy@HHSC.state.tx.us and to the HHS division responsible for this DUA; and IRS Publication 1075; Privacy Act of 1974, as amended by the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988, 5 U.S.C. § 552a; OMB Memorandum 07-16 as cited in HHSC-CMS Contracts for information exchange.

(b) Report all information reasonably available to CONTRACTOR about the Event or Breach of the privacy or security of Confidential Information. **45 CFR 164.410.**

(c) Name, and provide contact information to HHS for, CONTRACTOR's single point of contact who will communicate with HHS both on and off business hours during the incident response period.

(2) Formal Notice. No later than two business days after the Initial Notice above, provide formal notification to privacy@HHSC.state.tx.us and to the HHS division responsible for this DUA, including all reasonably available information about the Event or Breach, and CONTRACTOR's investigation, including without limitation and to the extent available: **For (a) - (m) below: 45 CFR 164.400-414.**

(a) The date the Event or Breach occurred;

(b) The date of CONTRACTOR's and, if applicable, Subcontractor's Discovery;

(c) A brief description of the Event or Breach; including how it occurred and who is responsible (or hypotheses, if not yet determined);

(d) A brief description of CONTRACTOR's investigation and the status of the investigation;

(e) A description of the types and amount of Confidential Information involved;

(f) Identification of and number of all Individuals reasonably believed to be affected, including first and last name of the Individual and if applicable the, Legally Authorized Representative, last known address, age, telephone number, and email address if it is a preferred contact method, to the extent known or can be reasonably determined by CONTRACTOR at that time;

(g) CONTRACTOR's initial risk assessment of the Event or Breach demonstrating whether individual or other notices are required by applicable law or this DUA for HHS approval, including an analysis of whether there is a low probability of compromise of the Confidential Information or whether any legal exceptions to notification apply;

(h) CONTRACTOR's recommendation for HHS's approval as to the steps Individuals and/or CONTRACTOR on behalf of Individuals, should take to protect the Individuals from potential harm, including without limitation CONTRACTOR's provision of notifications, credit protection, claims monitoring, and any specific protections for a Legally Authorized Representative to take on behalf of an Individual with special capacity or circumstances;

(i) The steps CONTRACTOR has taken to mitigate the harm or potential harm caused (including without limitation the provision of sufficient resources to mitigate);

(j) The steps CONTRACTOR has taken, or will take, to prevent or reduce the likelihood of recurrence of a similar Event or Breach;

(k) Identify, describe or estimate the Persons, Workforce, Subcontractor, or Individuals and any law enforcement that may be involved in the Event or Breach;

(l) A reasonable schedule for CONTRACTOR to provide regular updates during normal business hours to the foregoing in the future for response to the Event or Breach, but no less than every three (3)

business days or as otherwise directed by HHS, including information about risk estimations, reporting, notification, if any, mitigation, corrective action, root cause analysis and when such activities are expected to be completed; and

(m) Any reasonably available, pertinent information, documents or reports related to an Event or Breach that HHS requests following Discovery.

4.02 Investigation, Response and Mitigation. 45 CFR 164.308, 310 and 312; 164.530

(A) CONTRACTOR will immediately conduct a full and complete investigation, respond to the Event or Breach, commit necessary and appropriate staff and resources to expeditiously respond, and report as required to and by HHS for incident response purposes and for purposes of HHS's compliance with report and notification requirements, to the reasonable satisfaction of HHS.

(B) CONTRACTOR will complete or participate in a risk assessment as directed by HHS following an Event or Breach, and provide the final assessment, corrective actions and mitigations to HHS for review and approval.

(C) CONTRACTOR will fully cooperate with HHS to respond to inquiries and/or proceedings by state and federal authorities, Persons and/or Individuals about the Event or Breach.

(D) CONTRACTOR will fully cooperate with HHS's efforts to seek appropriate injunctive relief or otherwise prevent or curtail such Event or Breach, or to recover or protect any Confidential Information, including complying with reasonable corrective action or measures, as specified by HHS in a Corrective Action Plan if directed by HHS under the Base Contract.

4.03 Breach Notification to Individuals and Reporting to Authorities. Tex. Bus. & Comm. Code §521.053; 45 CFR 164.404 (Individuals), 164.406 (Media); 164.408 (Authorities)

(A) HHS may direct CONTRACTOR to provide Breach notification to Individuals, regulators or third-parties, as specified by HHS following a Breach.

(B) CONTRACTOR shall give HHS an opportunity to review and provide feedback to CONTRACTOR and to confirm that CONTRACTOR's notice meets all regulatory requirements regarding the time, manner and content of any notification to Individuals, regulators or third-parties, or any notice required by other state or federal authorities. HHS shall have ten (10) business days to provide said feedback to CONTRACTOR. Notice letters will be in CONTRACTOR's name and on CONTRACTOR's letterhead, unless otherwise directed by HHS, and will contain contact information, including the name and title of CONTRACTOR's representative, an email

address and a toll-free telephone number, if required by applicable law, rule, or regulation, for the Individual to obtain additional information.

(C) CONTRACTOR will provide HHS with copies of distributed and approved communications.

(D) CONTRACTOR will have the burden of demonstrating to the reasonable satisfaction of HHS that any notification required by HHS was timely made. If there are delays outside of CONTRACTOR's control, CONTRACTOR will provide written documentation of the reasons for the delay.

(E) If HHS delegates notice requirements to CONTRACTOR, HHS shall, in the time and manner reasonably requested by CONTRACTOR, cooperate and assist with CONTRACTOR's information requests in order to make such notifications and reports.

ARTICLE 5. STATEMENT OF WORK

"Statement of Work" means the services and deliverables to be performed or provided by CONTRACTOR, or on behalf of CONTRACTOR by its Subcontractors or agents for HHS that are described in detail in the Base Contract. The Statement of Work, including any future amendments thereto, is incorporated by reference in this DUA as if set out word-for-word herein.

ARTICLE 6. GENERAL PROVISIONS

6.01 Oversight of Confidential Information

CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that HHS is entitled to oversee and monitor CONTRACTOR's access to and creation, receipt, maintenance, use, disclosure of the Confidential Information to confirm that CONTRACTOR is in compliance with this DUA.

6.02 HHS Commitment and Obligations

HHS will not request CONTRACTOR to create, maintain, transmit, use or disclose PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under applicable law if done by HHS.

6.03 HHS Right to Inspection

At any time upon reasonable notice to CONTRACTOR, or if HHS determines that CONTRACTOR has violated this DUA, HHS, directly or through its agent, will have the right to inspect the facilities, systems, books and records of CONTRACTOR to monitor compliance with this DUA. For purposes of this subsection, HHS's agent(s) include, without limitation, the HHS Office of the Inspector General or the Office of the Attorney General of Texas, outside consultants or legal counsel or other designee.

6.04 Term; Termination of DUA; Survival

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This DUA will be effective contemporaneously with the Base Contract, and will terminate upon termination of the Base Contract and as set forth herein . If the Base Contract is extended or amended, this DUA is updated automatically concurrent with such extension or amendment.

(A) HHS may immediately terminate this DUA and Base Contract upon a material violation of this DUA.

(B) Termination or Expiration of this DUA will not relieve CONTRACTOR of its obligation to return or Destroy the Confidential Information as set forth in this DUA and to continue to safeguard the Confidential Information until such time as determined by HHS.

(C) If HHS determines that CONTRACTOR has violated a material term of this DUA; HHS may in its sole discretion:

(1) Exercise any of its rights including but not limited to reports, access and inspection under this DUA and/or the Base Contract; or

(2) Require CONTRACTOR to submit to a Corrective Action Plan, including a plan for monitoring and plan for reporting, as HHS may determine necessary to maintain compliance with this DUA; or

(3) Provide CONTRACTOR with a reasonable period to cure the violation as determined by HHS; or

(4) Terminate the DUA and Base Contract immediately, and seek relief in a court of competent jurisdiction in Texas.

Before exercising any of these options, HHS will provide written notice to CONTRACTOR describing the violation, the requested corrective action CONTRACTOR may take to cure the alleged violation, and the action HHS intends to take if the alleged violation is not timely cured by CONTRACTOR.

(D) If neither termination nor cure is feasible, HHS shall report the violation to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

(E) The duties of CONTRACTOR or its Subcontractor under this DUA survive the expiration or termination of this DUA until all the Confidential Information is Destroyed or returned to HHS, as required by this DUA.

6.05 Governing Law, Venue and Litigation

(A) The validity, construction and performance of this DUA and the legal relations among the Parties to this DUA will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

(B) The Parties agree that the courts of Texas, will be the exclusive venue for any litigation, special proceeding or other proceeding as between the parties that may be brought, or arise out of, or in connection with, or by reason of this DUA.

6.06 Injunctive Relief

(A) CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that HHS may suffer irreparable injury if CONTRACTOR or its Subcontractor fails to comply with any of the terms of this DUA with respect to the Confidential Information or a provision of HIPAA or other laws or regulations applicable to Confidential Information.

(B) CONTRACTOR further agrees that monetary damages may be inadequate to compensate HHS for CONTRACTOR's or its Subcontractor's failure to comply. Accordingly, CONTRACTOR agrees that HHS will, in addition to any other remedies available to it at law or in equity, be entitled to seek injunctive relief without posting a bond and without the necessity of demonstrating actual damages, to enforce the terms of this DUA.

6.07 Responsibility.

To the extent permitted by the Texas Constitution, laws and rules, and without waiving any immunities or defenses available to CONTRACTOR as a governmental entity, CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for its own acts and omissions and the acts and omissions of its employees, directors, officers, Subcontractors and agents. HHS shall be solely responsible for its own acts and omissions.

6.08 Insurance

(A) As a governmental entity, and in accordance with the limits of the Texas Tort Claims Act, Chapter 101 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, CONTRACTOR either maintains commercial insurance or self-insures with policy limits in an amount sufficient to cover CONTRACTOR's liability arising under this DUA. CONTRACTOR will request that HHS be named as an additional insured. HHSC reserves the right to consider alternative means for CONTRACTOR to satisfy CONTRACTOR's financial responsibility under this DUA. Nothing herein shall relieve CONTRACTOR of its financial obligations set forth in this DUA if CONTRACTOR fails to maintain insurance.

(B) CONTRACTOR will provide HHS with written proof that required insurance coverage is in effect, at the request of HHS.

6.08 Fees and Costs

Except as otherwise specified in this DUA or the Base Contract, if any legal action or other proceeding is brought for the enforcement of this DUA, or because of an alleged dispute, contract violation, Event, Breach, default, misrepresentation, or injunctive action, in connection with any of the provisions of this DUA, each party will bear their own legal expenses and the other cost incurred in that action or proceeding.

ATTACHMENT E
NON-EXCLUSIVE LIST OF APPLICABLE LAWS

1. Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, rules, regulations, standards, and guidelines in effect on the beginning date of this Attachment as amended, including, but not limited to:
 - 1) Uniform Federal Assistance Regulations, 7 CFR Parts 15, 15a, 15b, 246, 248, 3016, 3017 and 3018;
 - 2) WIC Program and Farmers' Market Nutrition Program Rules, 25 Texas Administrative Code, §§ 31.11-31.37; and
 - 3) Child Nutrition Act of 1966, as amended, 42 USC 1786.

2. The following documents are incorporated by reference and made a part of this Program Attachment:
 1. *DSHS Standards for Public Health Clinic Services*, revised August 2004, or latest revision;
 2. USDA Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) Guidelines;
 3. USDA FNS Instructions issued under the FNS Directives Management System;
 4. Current WIC Policy and Procedures Manual; and
 5. Contractor's Plan to Allocated Direct Costs (PADC) as approved by the DSHS WIC Program.

3. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of an amended standard(s) or guideline(s) listed above, Contractor shall inform DSHS, in writing, if it shall not continue performance under this Program Attachment in compliance with the amended standard(s) or guideline(s). DSHS may terminate the Program Attachment immediately or within a reasonable period of time as determined by DSHS.

4. Contractor is responsible for reviewing and complying with all applicable statutes, rules, regulations, executive orders and policies. To the extent applicable to Contractor, Contractor shall comply with the following:
 - a. Statutes, rules, regulations, and DSHS policy (and any of their subsequent amendments) that collectively prohibit discrimination, exclusion from or limitation of participation in programs, benefits or activities or denial of any aid, care, service or other benefit on the basis of race, color, national origin, limited English proficiency, sex, sexual orientation (where applicable), disabilities, age, substance abuse, political belief or religion:
 1. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC §§ 2000d et seq.;
 2. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 USC §§ 1681-1683, and 1685-1686;
 3. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 USC § 794(a);
 4. Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 USC §§ 12101 et seq.;
 5. Age Discrimination Act of 1975, 42 USC §§ 6101-6107;

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6. Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970, 42 USC § 290dd (b)(1); 7) 45 CFR Parts 80, 84, 86 and 91;
7. U.S. Department of Labor, Equal Employment Opportunity E.O. 11246;
8. Tex. Labor Code Chapter 21;
9. Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 USC §§ 2011 et seq.);
10. Executive Order 13279, 45 CFR Part 87 or 7 CFR Part 16 regarding equal treatment and opportunity for religious organizations;
11. Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972, 21 USC §§ 1101 et seq., relating to drug abuse;
12. Public Health Service Act of 1912, §§ 523 and 527, 42 USC § 290dd-2, and 42 CFR pt. 2, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records;
13. Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, 42 USC §§ 3601 et seq., relating to nondiscrimination in housing; and
14. DSHS Policy AA-5018, Non-discrimination Policy for DSHS Programs;
- b. Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, 8 USC § 1324a, and Immigration Act of 1990, 8 USC 1101 et seq., as amended by Public Law 113-4 (March 7, 2013), regarding employment verification; and
Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996;
- c. Pro-Children Act of 1994, 20 USC §§ 6081-6084, and the Pro-Children Act of 2001, 20 USC § 7183, regarding the non-use of all tobacco products;
- d. National Research Service Award Act of 1971, 42 USC §§ 289a-1 et seq., and 6601 (P.L. 93-348 and
P.L. 103-43), regarding human subjects involved in research;
- e. Hatch Political Activity Act, 5 USC §§ 1501-1508 and 7324-26, which limits the political activity of employees whose employment is funded with federal funds;
- f. Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 USC §§ 201 et seq., and the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970, 42 USC §§ 4701 et seq., as applicable, concerning minimum wage and maximum hours;
- g. Texas Government Code Chapter 469 pertaining to eliminating architectural barriers for persons with disabilities;
- h. Texas Workers' Compensation Act, Texas Labor Code Chapters 401-406, and 28 Texas Administrative
Code (TAC) pt. 2, regarding compensation for employees' injuries;
- i. The Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988, 42 USC § 263a, regarding the regulation and certification of clinical laboratories;
- j. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration Regulations on Blood Borne Pathogens, 29 CFR §
1910.1030, or Title 25 Tex. Admin Code Chapter 96 regarding safety standards for handling blood borne pathogens;
- k. Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966, 7 USC §§ 2131 et seq., pertaining to the treatment of
laboratory animals;
- l. Environmental standards pursuant to the following:
 1. Institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 USC §§ 4321-4347 and

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- Executive Order 11514 (35 Fed. Reg. 4247), "Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality;" Notification of violating facilities pursuant to Executive Order 11738 (40 CFR Part 32), "Providing for Administration of the Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act with respect to Federal Contracts, Grants, or Loans;"
2. Protection of wetlands pursuant to Executive Order 11990, 42 Fed. Reg. 26961;
 3. Evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with Executive Order 11988, 42 Fed. Reg. 26951 and, if applicable, flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234);
 4. Assurance of project consistency with the approved State Management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, 16 USC §§ 1451 et seq.;
 5. Federal Water Pollution Control Act, 33 USC §§ 1251 et seq.;
 6. Protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, 42 USC §§ 300f-300j;
 7. Protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, 16 USC §§ 1531 et seq.;
 8. Conformity of federal actions to state clean air implementation plans under the Clean Air Act of 1955, 42 USC §§ 7401 et seq.;
 9. Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, 16 USC §§ 1271 et seq., related to protecting certain river systems; and
- m. Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act, 42 USC §§ 4821 et seq., prohibiting the use of lead-based paint in residential construction or rehabilitation;
 - n. Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970, 42 USC §§ 4278-4763, regarding personnel merit systems for programs specified in Appendix A of the federal Office of Program Management's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration, 5 CFR Part 1200 et seq.;
 - o. Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of, 42 USC §§ 4601 et seq (PL 91-646), relating to fair treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally-assisted programs;
 - p. Davis-Bacon Act, 40 USC §§ 3141-3148;
 - q. Copeland Act, 40 USC §§ 276c and 18 USC § 874;
 - r. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, 40 USC § 3702 et seq., regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements;
 - s. National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, § 106, 16 USC § 470; Executive Order 11593; and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 USC §§ 469a-1 et seq.) regarding historic property to the extent necessary to assist DSHS in complying with the Acts;
 - t. Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, Section 106(g) (22 USC § 7104);
 - u. Executive Order 13513 (Oct. 1, 2009), Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving, October 1, 2009, if required by a federal funding source of this Contract;

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- v. Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act (5 U.S.C. 2302(b)(8)) and Texas Whistleblower Act (Tex. Gov. Code Chapter 554); and
 - w. Requirements of any other applicable state and federal statutes, executive orders, regulations, rules and policies.
5. Where applicable, federal statutes and regulations, including federal grant requirements applicable to funding sources, will apply to this Contract. Contractor agrees to comply with applicable laws, executive orders, regulations and policies, as well as Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circulars (as codified in Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations), the Uniform Grant and Contract Management Act of 1981 (UGMA), Tex. Gov. Code Chapter 783, and Uniform Grant Management Standards (UGMS), as revised by federal circulars and incorporated in UGMS by the Comptroller of Public Accounts, Texas Procurement and Support Services Division. UGMA and UGMS can be located through web links on the DSHS website at <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/contracts/links.shtm>.

**Fiscal Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act
(FFATA) CERTIFICATION
For Fiscal Year (FY16)**

The certifications enumerated below represent material facts upon which DSHS relies when reporting information to the federal government required under federal law. If the Department later determines that the Contractor knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, DSHS may pursue all available remedies in accordance with Texas and U.S. law. Signor further agrees that it will provide immediate written notice to DSHS if at any time Signor learns that any of the certifications provided for below were erroneous when submitted or have since become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. **If the Signor cannot certify all of the statements contained in this section, Signor must provide written notice to DSHS detailing which of the below statements it cannot certify and why.**

Legal Name of Contractor: Hidalgo County	FFATA Contact # 1 Name, Email and Phone Number: Ramon Garcia ramon.garcia@co.hidalgo.tx.us (956)318-2600
Primary Address of Contractor: 100 E. Cano 2nd Floor Edinburg, Texas 78539	FFATA Contact #2 Name, Email and Phone Number: Ray Eufrazio ray.eufrazio@co.hidalgo.tx.us (956)318-2511
ZIP Code: 9-digits Required www.usps.com 7 8 5 3 0 - 6 3 6 2	DUNS Number: 9-digits Required www.ccr.gov 1 0 3 1 1 0 8 3 4
State of Texas Comptroller Vendor Identification Number (VIN) 14 Digits 1 7 4 6 0 0 0 7 1 7 6 0 6 0	

Printed Name of Authorized Representative Ramon Garcia	Signature of Authorized Representative
Title of Authorized Representative Hidalgo County Judge	Date 01/19/16

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As the duly authorized representative (Signor) of the Contractor, I hereby certify that the statements made by me in this certification form are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Did your organization have a gross income, from all sources, of less than \$300,000 in your previous tax year? Yes No

If your answer is "Yes", skip questions "A", "B", and "C" and finish the certification.
If your answer is "No", answer questions "A" and "B".

A. Certification Regarding % of Annual Gross from Federal Awards.

Did your organization receive 80% or more of its annual gross revenue from federal awards during the preceding fiscal year? Yes No

B. Certification Regarding Amount of Annual Gross from Federal Awards.

Did your organization receive \$25 million or more in annual gross revenues from federal awards in the preceding fiscal year? Yes No

If your answer is "Yes" to both question "A" and "B", you must answer question "C".
If your answer is "No" to either question "A" or "B", skip question "C" and finish the certification.

C. Certification Regarding Public Access to Compensation Information.

Does the public have access to information about the compensation of the senior executives in your business or organization (including parent organization, all branches, and all affiliates worldwide) through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986? Yes No

If your answer is "Yes" to this question, where can this information be accessed?

If your answer is "No" to this question, you must provide the names and total compensation of the top five highly compensated officers below.

For example:

*John Blum:500000;Mary Redd:50000;Eric Gant:400000;Todd Platt:300000;
Sally Tom:300000*

Provide compensation information here:
