

# Memorandum of Understanding Between

Hidalgo County Head Start Program

And

Doctor's Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd.

2021-2023



**Doctor's Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd. ("Doctor's Hospital at Renaissance") and Hidalgo County Head Start Program** agree to collaborate in the services of eye exams program. The program provides community-based, services for children. The mobile clinic is designed to promote stronger families, encourage healthier life styles and facilitate the provision of services, referral and follow-up in relation to vision screen performed for Head Start children.

**Doctor's Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd. commitment to this collaboration will consist of the following:**

1. **Doctor's Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd.** will coordinate services with the designated **Hidalgo County Head Start Program** personnel. Services will be rendered according to the agreed upon schedule and a protocol for referring participants will be developed.
2. All referrals to the Intervention Specialist will be attained through the designated **Hidalgo County Head Start Program** representative.
3. **Doctor's Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd.** and **Hidalgo County Head Start Program** will cooperate fully to make it possible for individuals to receive services, as detailed below:
  - a. Provide Mobile Vision Clinic services, thus easing parent's concern of how to get children to an appointment.
  - b. Mobile clinic will be fully equipped with two eye exam lanes.
  - c. Provide comprehensive eye exam by Optometrist, Dr. Guadalupe Flores, O.D., along with written result of exam.
  - d. Provide certified trained technicians to assist the Optometrist.
  - e. Provide services to all patients regardless of their ability to pay.
  - f. Will not collect any payment in advance of services rendered.
  - g. Will allow parents to arrange payment plan for exam based on their ability to pay.
  - h. Will provide written prescriptions for glasses for center staff to give to parents at the end of visit.
  - i. Prescription can be taken to any Optical to purchase glasses.
  - j. Will provide low cost prescription eye glasses for all patients.
  - k. Will provide a waiting room equipped with television for children to watch age appropriate movie while children wait.

Hidalgo County Head Start Program staff will:

- 1 Maintain confidentiality requirements in accordance to Federal Confidentiality rules (42CFR2) as well as State of Texas confidentiality rules.

2. Follow Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines and HCHSP work safe plans due to Covid-19 pandemic.

**Insurance:**

At all times during the term of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), **Doctor’s Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd.** shall maintain in place a commercial general liability insurance policy insuring its property against bodily injury and property damage claims brought in connection with this MOU. **Doctor’s Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd.** agrees to carry insurance in the amounts shown below:

- Workers Compensation Insurance with statutory limits, and Employer’s Liability Insurance with limits of not less than \$1,000,000:

Employers Liability - Each Accident	\$1,000,000
Employers Liability - Each Employee	\$1,000,000
Employers Liability - Policy Limit	\$1,000,000
- Commercial General Liability Insurance with limits of not less than:

Each Occurrence Limit	\$1,000,000
Damage to Rented Premises	\$ 100,000
Personal & Advertising Injury	\$1,000,000
- Professional Liability Insurance with limits of not less than:

Each Occurrence Limit	\$1,000,000
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Business Auto Liability Insurance covering all owned, non-owned or hired automobiles, with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit Bodily Injury and Property Damage.

**Indemnification:**

**Doctor’s Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd.** will and does hereby agree to indemnify, protect, defend with counsel approved by Head Start, and hold harmless **Head Start** and **Hidalgo County**, and their respective elected officials, officers, directors, attorneys, employees, representatives and agents (collectively “**Indemnitees**”) from and against all damages, losses, liens, causes of action, suits, judgments, expenses, and other claims of any nature, kind, or description, including reasonable attorneys’ fees incurred in investigating, defending or settling any of the foregoing (collectively “**Claims**”) by any person or entity, arising out of, caused by, or resulting from **Doctor’s Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd.** performance under or breach of this Agreement and that are caused in whole or in part by any negligent act, negligent omission or willful misconduct of **Doctor’s Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd.** employees, anyone directly employed by the **Doctor’s Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd.** or anyone for whose acts of the **Doctor’s Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd.** may be liable. The provisions of this section will not be construed to eliminate or reduce any other indemnification or right which any Indemnitee has by law or equity. All parties will be entitled to be represented by counsel at their own expense.

**Termination:**

Either party may terminate the Agreement, with or without cause, by giving ten (10) days written notice to the other.

**Term:**

The Term of this Memorandum of Understanding is for two years commencing **September 1, 2021** and ending **August 31, 2023**, unless earlier terminated as provided herein.

**Governing Law:**

This Memorandum of Understanding will be construed in accordance with the Laws of the State of Texas and is performable in Hidalgo County, Texas.

**Consideration:**

This Agreement is being made in consideration of the following: **Doctor's Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd.** and **Hidalgo County Head Start Program** agree that there will be no financial exchange of monies or other compensation.

The below signed authorities agree to the statements in this document in order to develop a strong collaboration and an open communication system at all levels which will enable both **Doctors Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd.** and **HCHSP** to provide the children the best services available.

**Doctors Hospital at Renaissance, Ltd.**

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Susan Turley, President

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Date

**Hidalgo County Head Start Program**

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*Ricardo Cortez*  
Honorable Ricardo Cortez  
Hidalgo County Judge

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*Teresa Flores*  
Teresa Flores, Executive Director  
Hidalgo County Head Start Program

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10-4-2021  
Date

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10-01-2021  
Date



**Approved As To Form:**

Ricardo González, P.C.  
DBA, Oxford & González

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Ricardo González*  
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AI- 82452  
Date Approved by Policy Council: 09-15-2021  
Date Approved by Commissioner's Court: 09-21-2021

APPROVED BY  
COMMISSIONERS COURT  
ON: 9-21-21 MM