



**WILLIAMSON COUNTY
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
FOR MEDICAL SERVICES AT THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY JAIL**

This Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into between Williamson County, Texas, hereinafter referred to as COUNTY, and Adam Barta, M.D., hereinafter referred to as PROVIDER, for the purpose of providing medical services for the inmates of the Williamson County Jail, hereinafter referred to as JAIL, which the Commissioners Court finds serves a public purpose and serves the public welfare of the citizens of Williamson County.

**I.
SCOPE OF SERVICES**

PROVIDER shall provide medical services as a physician licensed to practice medicine in the State of Texas for the inmates of the JAIL. All services by PROVIDER shall be performed according to the regularly accepted standards of medical care in the State of Texas.

PROVIDER shall have a duty to immediately notify COUNTY of any complaint, investigation, or adverse action taken against PROVIDER concerning his license to practice medicine in the State of Texas.

PROVIDER shall be physically present in the JAIL infirmary to provide medical services for up to 12 hours per week for 48 weeks. PROVIDER will schedule these hours subject to the reasonable requests of the COUNTY through its jail staff or other authorized representative. PROVIDER shall have a duty to notify COUNTY through its jail staff in writing of any times when PROVIDER will not be available to provide medical services and will assist COUNTY in locating a suitable substitute. COUNTY shall be able to accept or reject such proposed substitute at its sole discretion and PROVIDER remains obligated to provide services under this Agreement until an acceptable substitute is available.

PROVIDER will provide out-patient medical attention to all inmates requiring such attention. These medical services shall include, but are not limited to, follow-up on all

lab tests, radiographs, and all inmates who have had medical attention outside of the jail infirmary.

PROVIDER will be under no obligation to provide inpatient care, hospitalization, or specialty medical services which are beyond PROVIDER's expertise. However, PROVIDER shall immediately inform COUNTY through its jail staff in writing of the need for inpatient care, hospitalization, or specialty medical services in the treatment of any inmate.

PROVIDER will provide consultation to the Lead Paramedic of the Williamson County Jail Infirmary and other jail staff on all questions of out-patient medical care.

PROVIDER will develop and write standing orders for use by the jail staff in the handling of the medical needs of the inmates.

PROVIDER will be available for phone consultation by jail staff at any time unless PROVIDER has followed the notice requirement and substitute physician procedure outlined above for any periods when PROVIDER will not be available for phone consultation.

II. TERM

This Agreement shall become effective as of December 30, 2010, and continue thereafter until December 29, 2011. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time for any reason (or without cause) on sixty days prior written notice to the other party. In the event that COUNTY and PROVIDER wish to extend this Agreement for additional one (1) year terms following the initial term, the parties shall execute a written agreement evidencing each party's desire to extend the Agreement.

III. COST

COUNTY agrees to pay PROVIDER and PROVIDER agrees to accept the total sum of \$6,000.00 each month for the services described under "SCOPE OF SERVICES." This monthly amount may be modified by agreement of the parties at the beginning of each subsequent fiscal year of the COUNTY.

Any violation of the provisions of this Agreement by PROVIDER shall be grounds for withholding payment by the COUNTY until the violation is resolved to the satisfaction of the COUNTY.

Any travel costs associated with services provided herein is to be handled separately from this Agreement, and must be approved in writing by the Sheriff or his designated Chief or Assistant Chief Deputy prior to PROVIDER incurring travel costs if such costs are requested to be reimbursed by COUNTY.

IV.
CONFIDENTIALITY

All information regarding PROVIDER's work under this Agreement shall be held in strictest confidence unless pre-approved in writing by COUNTY. PROVIDER agrees to read and follow the COUNTY's "HIPAA PRIVACY COMPLIANCE MANUAL FOR TEXAS COUNTIES" regarding the use of inmate medical information.

V.
AGENCY-INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Neither the COUNTY nor any employee thereof is an agent of PROVIDER and neither PROVIDER nor any employee thereof is an agent of the COUNTY. This agreement does not and shall not be construed to entitle either party or any of their respective employees, if applicable, to any benefit, privilege, or other amenities of employment by the other party.

VI.
DUTY TO REPRESENT/INDEMNITY/INSURANCE

COUNTY agrees to provide legal representation and indemnify, to the extent allowed by Texas law, PROVIDER in the event of legal action taken against PROVIDER on the basis of the medical services provided to the inmates of the JAIL in the performance of this Agreement. COUNTY shall have full authority to defend, negotiate, or settle any such claims at the sole discretion of the COUNTY. PROVIDER shall fully assist and participate, without cost to COUNTY, in the defense, negotiation, or settlement of any such claims, and such assistance and participation shall include consultation with COUNTY and opinion testimony as needed on medical questions and issues. Provider shall also furnish, without cost to COUNTY, consultation and opinion testimony on medical questions and/or issues for legal actions against COUNTY or COUNTY's officials related to medical services provided to inmates on claims and/or suits that do not include PROVIDER as a named defendant. COUNTY reserves the right to withdraw its representation and indemnification of PROVIDER in the event PROVIDER fails to assist and participate in the defense, negotiation, or settlement of any such claims.

COUNTY may fulfill its legal representation and indemnification obligations, to the extent allowed by law, under this Agreement through insurance or other means at its sole discretion.

During the term of this Agreement, COUNTY hereby agrees to provide the policy of insurance attached hereto as Exhibit "A" (said exhibit provides the coverage limits of the Policy) and PROVIDER acknowledges and agrees that such policy and coverage limits is sufficient and adequate. In the event that COUNTY and/or PROVIDER are sued for the services provided under this Agreement and counsel is provided through the said insurance policy, COUNTY shall not be required to provide counsel for PROVIDER in

addition to the counsel that is provided under the insurance policy. Furthermore, COUNTY shall have no obligation to provide legal representation or indemnify PROVIDER for any legal action which does not arise from PROVIDER's services under this Agreement or to any extent that is not allowed by law.

In the event COUNTY or PROVIDER should terminate the Policy attached hereto in Exhibit "A" by reason of nonrenewal or cancellation, COUNTY shall pay an additional premium equal to 200% of the annual premium for the Policy Period to extend the coverage granted under the Policy for an additional twenty four (24) months to begin immediately upon the effective date of such nonrenewal or cancellation, as further described in Item 9. of the Policy Declarations and as further described in the Extended Reporting Period provision of the terms and conditions of the enclosed Policy. COUNTY and PROVIDER shall comply with all terms and conditions relating to the Extended Reporting Period of the Policy.

VII.
ASSIGNMENT; SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

Neither party may assign, in whole or in part, any interest it may have in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

VIII.
THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY EXCLUDED

No person not a party to this Agreement may bring a cause of action pursuant to this Agreement as a third-party beneficiary. This Agreement may not be interpreted to waive the sovereign immunity of any party to this Agreement to the extent such party may have immunity under Texas law.

IX.
FORCE MAJEURE

If the party obligated to perform is prevented from performance by an act of war, order of legal authority, act of God, or other unavoidable cause not attributable to the fault or negligence of said party, the other party shall grant such party relief from the performance of this Agreement. The burden of proof for the need of such relief shall rest upon the party obligated to perform. To obtain release based on force majeure, the party obligated to perform shall file a written request with the other party.

X.
TERMINATION

This Agreement may be terminated, with or without cause, by either party by providing written notice to the other party at least sixty (60) days prior to the intended date of termination.

XI.
NOTICE

Any notice or other writing required by this Agreement shall be deemed given when personally delivered or mailed by certified or registered United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

COUNTY: Williamson County Judge
Dan A. Gattis (or successor)
301 S.E. Inner Loop, Ste. 109
Georgetown, Texas 78626

with copy to: Williamson County Sheriff
James Wilson (or successor)
508 Rock Street
Georgetown, Texas 78626

PROVIDER: Adam Barta, M.D.
4004 Sierra Dr.
Austin, TX 78731

XII.
SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision hereof, but rather this entire Agreement will be construed as if not containing the particular invalid or unenforceable provision or provisions, and the rights and obligation of the parties shall be construed and enforced in accordance therewith. The parties acknowledge that if any provision of this Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, it is the desire and intention of each that such provision be reformed and construed in such a manner that it will, to the maximum extent practicable, give effect to the intent of this Agreement and be deemed to be validated and enforceable.

XIII.
VENUE AND GOVERNING LAW

Each party to this Agreement hereby agrees and acknowledges that venue and jurisdiction of any suit, right, or cause of action arising out of or in connection with this Agreement shall lie exclusively in either Williamson County, Texas or in the Austin Division of the Western Federal District of Texas. Furthermore, except to the extent that this Agreement is governed by the laws of the United States, this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, excluding, however, its choice of law rules.

XIV.
NO WAIVER OF IMMUNITIES

Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to waive, modify or amend any legal defense available at law or in equity to COUNTY, its past or present officers, employees, or agents or employees, nor to create any legal rights or claim on behalf of any third party. COUNTY does not waive, modify, or alter to any extent whatsoever the availability of the defense of governmental immunity under the laws of the State of Texas and of the United States.

XV.
COUNTY'S RIGHT TO AUDIT

PROVIDER agrees that COUNTY or its duly authorized representatives shall, until the expiration of three (3) years after final payment under this Agreement, have access to and the right to examine and photocopy any and all books, documents, papers and records of PROVIDER which are directly pertinent to the services to be performed under this Agreement for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. PROVIDER agrees that COUNTY shall have access during normal working hours to all necessary PROVIDER facilities and shall be provided adequate and appropriate work space in order to conduct audits in compliance with the provisions of this section. COUNTY shall give PROVIDER reasonable advance notice of intended audits.

XVI.
APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

COUNTY believes it has sufficient funds currently available and authorized for expenditure to finance the costs of this Agreement. PROVIDER understands and agrees that the COUNTY's payment of amounts under this Agreement is contingent on the COUNTY receiving appropriations or other expenditure authority sufficient to allow the COUNTY, in the exercise of reasonable administrative discretion, to continue to make payments under this Agreement.

XVII.
ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement represents the entire understanding of and between the parties and supersedes all prior representations. This Agreement may not be varied orally, but must be amended by written document of subsequent date duly executed by these parties.

Executed this the 26th day of April, 2011, to be effective as of the 30th day of December, 2011.

WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS



Dan A. Gattis
Williamson County Judge

PROVIDER:

By: _____

Printed Name: Adam Barta, M.D.