

# PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Pharmacy Benefit Management Agreement (the "Agreement"), dated as of September 1, 2022 (the "Effective Date"), is made by and between Integrated Prescription Management, Inc., corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, ("IPM"), and Williamson County, Texas, a political subdivision of the State of Texas ("Client").

WHEREAS, Client desires to provide pharmacy benefits for the Covered Persons (as defined herein) of its health care plans (the "Plans"); and

WHEREAS, IPM is engaged in the business of providing pharmacy benefit management services and in connection therewith has established a network of retail and mail order pharmacies to deliver pharmacy services to individuals; and

WHEREAS, Client desires to have IPM exclusively manage the pharmacy benefits offered by Client under the Plans and IPM desires to provide such services.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in consideration of the promises and covenants contained herein and intending to be legally bound by this Agreement, the parties agree as follows:

#### 1. **DEFINITIONS**

- 1.1 "Administrative Fee" will mean a per paid Claim transaction fee charged by IPM for its administrative services.
- **1.2** "Average Wholesale Price" or "AWP" will mean the benchmark price established by MediSpan, or another nationally reporting service of pharmaceutical prices as selected by IPM, in its sole discretion, based on the 11-digit NDC of the prescription drug actually dispensed by a Network Pharmacy. AWP does not represent a true wholesale price, but rather is a fluctuating benchmark provided by third party sources.
- **1.3 "Brand Name Drug"** will mean a prescription drug specified as a single-source drug or multi-source brand name drug as determined by IPM.
- **1.4 "Claims"** will mean those claims processed through IPM's claims adjudication system or otherwise transmitted or processed in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the Description of Coverage.
- **1.5 "Co-Payment"** will mean the monetary amount (however expressed) that a Covered Person must pay a Network Pharmacy for Covered Pharmacy Services at the time the Covered Pharmacy Services are provided by a Network Pharmacy pursuant to the applicable Plan.
- **1.6 "Covered Persons"** will mean all individuals designated by Client in an eligibility file provided to IPM who are eligible to receive Covered Pharmacy Services under Client's Plan until Client otherwise notifies IPM in writing.
- **1.7 "Covered Pharmacy Services"** will mean the provision of pharmaceutical products and/or medical items, including without limitation prescription drugs, dispensed to Covered Persons pursuant to prescriptions written by physicians or other authorized prescribers, which are reimbursable under the terms of Client's Plan as set forth in the Description of Coverage.
- **1.8** "Description(s) of Coverage" will mean the written description or "Plan Design" provided by Client to IPM, including the processing parameters and other information concerning Client's Plan that IPM will use to process Claims under this Agreement.
- 1.9 "Generic Drug" will mean a multisource generic drug as determined by IPM using a combination of data fields.
- 1.10 "Law" will mean any federal, state, local, or other constitution, charter, act, statute, law, ordinance, code, rule, regulation, order, specified standards or objective criteria contained in any applicable permit or approval, or other legislative or administrative action of the United States of America, any state, Commonwealth, or any agency, department, authority, political subdivision, or other instrumentality thereof, or a decree or judgment or order of a court.
- **1.11 "Network or Network Pharmacy(ies)"** will mean a pharmacy or group of pharmacies that agree to provide Covered Pharmacy Services to Covered Persons under an arrangement with IPM.
- **1.12 "Privacy Rule"** will mean the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information at 45 CFR part 160 and part 164, subparts A and E and any amendment thereto.



**1.13 "Protected Health Information or PHI"** has the same meaning as the term "protected health information" in 45 CFR 164.501, limited to the information created or received by IPM in its capacity as a pharmacy benefits manager, acting as a business associate of the Plan, and not as a health care provider.

#### 2. RESPONSIBILITIES OF IPM

- 2.1 In General IPM will provide Client the Covered Pharmacy Services and the services set forth in this Section 2 that are selected by Client, the services described in Exhibit A that are selected by Client, and the services described in any attachment, addendum, or amendment hereto (collectively the "Services"). IPM may make changes to the Services from time to time and may use Claim's information and other PHI to improve or recommend additional Services to Client, so long as such changes are consistent with applicable law and do not materially alter the provisions of this Agreement.
- 2.2 Claims Processing IPM will adjudicate Claims submitted by Network Pharmacies, based on the pharmacy benefit parameters as set forth in the Description of Coverage. IPM will accept direct Claims submitted by Covered Persons on properly completed standard claim forms together with proof of payment ("Direct Claims"). IPM will adjudicate properly submitted Direct Claims, based on the pharmacy benefit parameters as set forth in the Description of Coverage, and produce and mail: (i) checks for the agreed upon reimbursement amounts for Covered Persons for allowable Claims; or (ii) requests for information for Claims that are ineligible for payment.
- 2.3 Network Pharmacies Network Pharmacies will dispense Covered Pharmacy Services consistent with the terms of this Agreement and applicable Law. Additions or deletions to the Network shall be in IPM's sole discretion and IPM makes no warranty that any specific pharmacy or number of pharmacies will be in the Network at any time. IPM shall direct the Network Pharmacy to charge and collect the applicable Co-Payment and/or any deductible (or portion thereof) from Covered Persons for each Covered Pharmacy Service provided.
- **2.4 DUR** IPM will provide automated concurrent drug utilization review (DUR) services for point-of-sale Claims. Client acknowledges that: (i) the DUR system is a highly automated system, without individual review in most circumstances, (ii) the DUR system is necessarily limited by the amount, accuracy, and completeness of data concerning Covered Persons provided by Client, (iii) the DUR program is intended as a supplement to, and not a substitute for, the knowledge, expertise, skill, and judgment of physicians, pharmacists, or other health care providers in providing patient care, (iv) that IPM will have no obligation to acquire information concerning any Covered Person beyond the information that is included in the eligibility or claims databases, and (v) that pharmacists are individually responsible for acting or not acting upon information generated and transmitted through the DUR services, and for performing services consistent with the scope of their licenses. In performing DUR services, IPM will not, and is not required by this Agreement, to deny Claims, or require prescriber, pharmacist, or patient compliance with any norm or suggested drug regimen, or in any way substitute IPM's judgment for the professional judgment or responsibility of the prescriber or pharmacist. The absence of an alert for a given drug or drug combination shall not be construed to indicate that the drug or drug combination is safe, appropriate, or effective for any Covered Person. Accordingly, IPM assumes no liability to Client, Plan, any Covered Person, or any other person in connection with the DUR services, including, without limitation, the failure of the DUR services to identify a prescription that results in injury to a Covered Person. IPM will have the DUR databases updated on a reasonable basis to reflect changes in available standards for pharmaceutical prescribing; however, no database will contain all available information or accepted medical practices or prescribing practices.
- 2.5 To the extent authorized under Texas law, Client shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless IPM, its employees, directors, owners, officers, contractors, suppliers and agents from and against any and all awards, losses, claims, suits, damages, liability, judgments, fines, penalties, settlement amounts, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees (collectively "Damages") arising from or as a result of IPM's decision to authorize or initially deny coverage of any drug in accordance with Client's adopted criteria, except to the extent that any such Damages arise from IPM's gross negligence or willful misconduct. This Section 2.5 shall survive termination of the Agreement.
- **2.6 Call Center Services** IPM, through its own and/or subcontracted call centers, will provide a toll-free telephone line for inquiries from Client, pharmacies, prescribers, Covered Persons, and prospective members regarding the services provided by IPM under this Agreement. Services to be provided via the toll-free number include answering



questions regarding Claims, Covered Person eligibility, Plan Design and covered benefits, deductible status and required Co-Payments, Claims submission, Claims payment, instructions for completing a claim form, status of a submitted Direct Claim, and location of Network Pharmacies.

**2.7 Reporting** IPM will provide Client records and reports, including standard IPM reports as amended from time to time, relating to Covered Persons. Client may request additional reports, which may be provided upon the mutual written agreement of the parties.

#### 3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CLIENT

- **3.1 Benefit Design and Eligibility** Within a reasonable time prior to the implementation of the Services under this Agreement, Client shall furnish IPM the details of the benefit design and a complete listing of all Covered Persons, which must be complete and accurate and in a format and media approved by IPM. IPM and the Network Pharmacies are entitled to rely on the accuracy and completeness of this information.
- **3.2 Benefit Design Changes** Client will immediately provide IPM written notice of any changes or updates in the benefit design. IPM will notify Client of (i) the proposed implementation date of such change or that such change cannot be implemented as requested, and (ii) any applicable additional fees due as a result of such change. Client will accept the change and applicable additional fees, if any, in writing prior to its implementation. Client will notify its Covered Persons of the change prior to its effective date at Client's expense. IPM will not be responsible for or otherwise be liable to Client, Plan, or Covered Persons for costs or other damages for failing to make benefit design changes not communicated to IPM in accordance with this paragraph.
- **3.3 Design Liability** Client is solely responsible for any liability arising in connection with Client's benefit design. IPM makes no representation or warranty that the benefit design selected by Client complies with the Law that applies to Client, and IPM has no responsibility to advise Client about its compliance with any applicable Law.
- 3.4 Eligibility Updates Unless otherwise stated in the applicable plan specifications, during the term of this Agreement, and any extension thereof, at least ten (10) days before the beginning of each month, Client will provide IPM with a complete updated listing of all Covered Persons who are eligible for that month. Such listing will be provided in a format agreeable to IPM. The eligibility information will be updated as reasonably required by the Client. Client bears all risk of mistakes in eligibility determinations caused by inaccuracies in the information provided by Client to IPM, including payment of Claims adjudicated and verified as eligible which are later found to be not eligible.
- **3.5 Identification Cards** IPM will issue identification cards to Covered Persons that will include information necessary to provide the Network Pharmacy with a Covered Person's eligibility information to receive Covered Pharmacy Services.
- 3.6 Reports and Invoices Client will review all reports and statements provided by IPM and will notify IPM in writing of any errors or objections within forty-five (45) days of receipt. Until Client notifies IPM of any errors or objections, IPM will be entitled to rely on the information contained in the report or statement. If Client does not so notify IPM within the forty-five (45) day period, the information contained therein will be deemed accurate, complete, and acceptable to Client.
- 3.7 Authorizations and Disclosures Client has obtained, or will obtain, all Covered Person authorizations required by Law for IPM to perform the Services or any additional services provided under any addendum or amendment hereto. Client will disclose to Covered Persons any and all matters relating to the benefit design that are required by Law to be disclosed, including information relating to the calculation of Co-Payments, deductibles, or any other amounts that are payable by a Covered Person in connection with the benefit design, and rebates or other discounts.
- **3.8 Client's Authority Over Benefit Plan** Client acknowledges that it has the sole authority to control and administer its Plans. Client further acknowledges that IPM is engaged to perform the Services as an independent



contractor and not as an employee or agent of Client. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed or deemed to confer upon IPM any responsibility for or control over the terms or validity of the benefit plan. IPM shall have no final discretionary authority over or responsibility for the administration of the Plans. Further, IPM shall have no responsibility or liability for (i) any funding of Plan benefits; (ii) any insurance coverage relating to Client, the Plans, or the Covered Persons; or (iii) the nature or quality of professional health services rendered to Covered Persons.

## 4. <u>TERMINATION</u>

The term of this Agreement will commence on the Effective Date and will continue for one (1) year, after which it will automatically renew for additional one-year periods unless otherwise terminated in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. Either party may terminate this Agreement upon ninety (90) days prior written notice to the other party, which shall become effective only at the end of the then expiring term or extension thereof. In the event of termination, Client will only be liable for its pro rata share of services rendered and goods actually received. If there is a material breach of any provision of this Agreement, and that breach remains uncured for thirty (30) days after the breaching party receives written notice of the breach, the non-breaching party may terminate this Agreement effective on the expiration of such thirty (30) day period. If such material breach cannot be cured in a thirty (30) day period, the non-breaching party may not terminate this Agreement if the breaching party has initiated a cure within such thirty (30) day period and uses its best efforts to complete the cure within a commercially reasonable period of time.

## 5. COMPENSATION, BILLING, AND PAYMENT

**5.1** As compensation for the Services provided by IPM under this Agreement, Client will pay the fees specified in Exhibit A (the "Fees"). This Section 5.1 will survive the termination of the Agreement.

Payment for goods and services shall be governed by Chapter 2251 of the Texas Government Code. An invoice shall be deemed overdue the 31st day after the later of (1) the date Client receives the goods under the contract; (2) the date the performance of the service under the contract is completed; or (3) the date the Williamson County Auditor receives an invoice for the goods or services. Interest charges for any overdue payments shall be paid by Client in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 2251.025. More specifically, the rate of interest that shall accrue on a late payment is the rate in effect on September 1 of Client's fiscal year in which the payment becomes due. The said rate in effect on September 1 shall be equal to the sum of one percent (1%); and (2) the prime rate published in the Wall Street Journal on the first day of July of the preceding fiscal year that does not fall on a Saturday or Sunday.

- 5.2 IPM will be responsible for payment to the Network Pharmacies for Covered Pharmacy Services solely to the extent it has received funds provided by Client for payment of such services. IPM shall not be required to render payments to Network Pharmacies or Covered Persons unless and until IPM has received payment for the Claims from Client. Client recognizes that it is essential to make timely payments to IPM, and that payment that is not timely may adversely affect the availability of Pharmacy Services. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that IPM elects to pay Network Pharmacies and Covered Persons for Claims prior to its receipt of Claims payment from Client, such election shall not constitute a waiver of IPM's right to suspend performance or of Client's obligation to render payment to IPM either as to that payment or as to any other payment, nor shall such election serve to establish a course of dealing or a course of performance between IPM and Client. The amount that Client pays to IPM under this Section is not an asset of Client's prescription benefit, or any other health plan. This Section 5.2 will survive the termination of the Agreement.
- **5.3** After the initial term of the Agreement, IPM may reasonably change the Fees or other pricing under this Agreement. IPM will give Client sixty (60) days written notice of any such change, which will take effect on the first day of the month following the sixty-day notice period.
- **5.4** IPM will invoice Client for Fees and Covered Pharmacy Services monthly. .
- 5.5 If Client objects to any cost in an invoice, Client is still obligated to remit payment of the full payment amount to IPM within the agreed upon payment terms. Within twenty (20) business days of Client's receipt of the invoice,



Client shall identify and fully explain the basis for any objections in writing to IPM. Client and IPM will then work together to determine the validity of the amounts to which Client has objected. Any overpayments or underpayments will be reconciled through a charge or credit in a subsequent invoice.

- **5.6** If Client fails to pay IPM in accordance with this Agreement, IPM may, in addition to its other remedies under this Agreement, at law or in equity, do any or all of the following: (i) suspend performance of
  - any or all of IPM's obligations under or in connection with this Agreement, including IPM's obligation to process Claims; (ii) apply all or any portion of any security posted by Client with IPM to Client's delinquent account; and/or (iii) off-set against any amounts payable to Client any amount due from Client.
- 5.7 IPM agrees that, except for Co-payments and deductibles, in no event will IPM or the Network Pharmacies, charge, collect, seek compensation, remuneration, or reimbursement from, or have any recourse against Covered Persons or persons acting on the Covered Person's behalf for Covered Pharmacy Services provided pursuant to this Agreement. IPM further agrees that (i) the provisions of this Section 5.7 shall survive the termination of this Agreement regardless of the cause of termination and will be construed in favor of Covered Persons, and (ii) this Section 5.7 shall supersede any oral or written contrary agreement now existing or hereafter entered between IPM and a Covered Person or person acting on the behalf of a Covered Person. The terms hereunder shall not apply to any deductibles, Co-Payments, or non-covered pharmacy services that are Covered Person's responsibilities as described in a Description of Coverage. This Section 5.7 will survive the termination of the Agreement.
- 5.8 Client understands that IPM's agreements with Network Pharmacies may allow Network Pharmacies to review payments made by IPM related to the Covered Pharmacy Services. Furthermore, if in accordance with IPM's agreement with a Network Pharmacy there was an underpayment for Covered Pharmacy Services to a Covered Person, such Network Pharmacy may seek reimbursement for such underpayment(s). Client agrees that, if a Network Pharmacy requests further payment for any Covered Pharmacy Service or other service provided to Client or a Covered Person, Client will immediately remit to IPM an amount equal to such requested payment. This Section 5.8 will survive the termination of the Agreement.

## 6. <u>Confidentiality</u>

- **6.1** Each party acknowledges that during the performance of its obligations hereunder, it has received or may receive confidential information from the other party. As used herein, "Confidential Information" includes, but is not limited to, proprietary business and technical information, patient and third-party payor lists, statistical data, computer programs, pricing information, the Agreement and all exhibits, addenda and alterations hereto, Network Pharmacy coverage information, trade secrets and innovations, and other information of similar nature obtained by either party. Confidential Information will not include information that is: (i)generally known to the public at the time of disclosure; (ii) rightfully received by either party from a third party not under obligation of confidentiality with respect to such information; (iii) becomes publicly available through no act or omission of either party or its agents or employees; or (iv) that may be required to be disclosed by law or court order.
- **6.2** Each party covenants and agrees that, without the prior written consent of the other party (which consent may be withheld for any reason or may be given subject to conditions and restrictions), neither it nor its directors, officers, employees, or agents will reveal or use any Confidential Information in a manner or for a purpose that would be knowingly detrimental to the other party or its businesses or for purposes other than set forth herein.
- **6.3** Confidential Information may be disclosed pursuant to a bona fide subpoena if the party receiving the bona fide subpoena has given the other party timely written notice of receipt of the subpoena so that the other party can object or otherwise intervene as it deems proper.
- **6.4** All Confidential Information will remain the property of the disclosing party, and the receiving party will return or destroy all written or tangible materials, and all copies thereof, upon request of the disclosing party.
- **6.5** Client acknowledges that all of IPM's databases, as well as the software, hard-coding, and logic used to generate the compilations of information contained in IPM's adjudication system and in all other databases developed by



IPM, its contractors, consultants, or its designees in connection with performing services, and the format of all reports, printouts, and copies thereof, and any prior and future versions thereof by any name, are the property of IPM and are protected by copyright which shall be owned by IPM.

6.6 Each party acknowledges that damages alone will be an inadequate remedy for a breach or threatened breach of the provisions of Section 6 of this Agreement and that the party seeking enforcement thereof, in addition to all other remedies, will be entitled as matter of right to equitable relief, including injunctive relief or specific performance in any court of competent jurisdiction. No posting of a bond will be required. The parties agree that notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, nothing herein will require any party hereto to breach or violate any applicable confidentiality law, statute or regulation.

## 7. <u>COVERED INDIVIDUAL INFORMATION</u>

- 7.1 IPM may use, reproduce, or adapt Covered Person information in any manner it deems appropriate, including product research and development, except that each party and its agents, employees and contractors shall maintain the confidentiality of this information to the extent required by applicable Law, and may not use the information in any way prohibited by Law.
- 7.2 Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information IPM may use or disclose PHI to Client, Network Pharmacies, Covered Persons' providers and Covered Persons in a manner consistent with the performance or improvement of its Services under this Agreement, or as permitted without authorization pursuant to the Privacy Rule. Additionally, IPM may use and disclose PHI to a third party if otherwise authorized by Client or a given Covered Person, or as permitted without authorization pursuant to the Privacy Rule. Except as provided in this Agreement, such uses, and disclosures shall be limited to those that would not violate the Privacy Rule if done by Client. In addition, IPM may use and disclose PHI:
  - i. for the proper management and administration of IPM or to carry out its legal responsibilities; provided that, in the case of any disclosures for this purpose, IPM obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom the information is disclosed, that it will remain confidential and used or further disclosed only as required by Law or for the purpose for which it was disclosed to the person, and that the person will notify IPM of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached;
  - ii. to provide Data Aggregation services to Client as permitted by 45 CFR 164.504(E)(2)(i)(B);
  - iii. to de-identify the information in accordance with 45 CFR 164.514(b), which de-identified information may be used and disclosed by IPM as it deems appropriate;
  - iv. pursuant to an individual authorization in accordance with 45 CFR 164.508;
  - v. to report violations of Law to appropriate federal and state authorities, consistent with 45 CFR 164.502(j)(1);
  - vi. to conduct DUR for another Covered Entity if each Covered Entity has or had a relationship with the Covered Person whose PHI is involved and the PHI relates to the relationship; and
  - vii. as otherwise authorized in writing by Client.

#### 8. USE OF NAME

Each party will have the right to use the name of the other party to inform existing or potential clients that IPM supplies Covered Pharmacy Services to Client. IPM will have the right to use Client's current logo and information on a client list and on its web site. Neither IPM nor Client will otherwise use the other party's name, symbols, trademark, or service marks without the prior written consent of the other party and both parties will cease any such use upon termination of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the above, IPM agrees Client may use the name, address, phone numbers and descriptions of the Network Pharmacies in Client's directories.

#### 9. INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION

**9.1 Required Insurance** IPM agrees to maintain general liability coverage with a limit of at least one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence. Client agrees to maintain insurance providing coverage for the errors and omissions of Client and its officers and directors for the good faith performance of their duties.



- **9.2 Certificate of Insurance** IPM will provide Client with a valid Certificate of Insurance, upon request, confirming the coverage set forth in Section 9.1. Client agrees to provide IPM with thirty (30) days written notice if there is a material change in its directors and officer's coverage. IPM agrees to provide Client with thirty (30) days written notice if there is any material change in its general liability coverage.
- **9.3 Indemnification and Limitations on Liability** This Agreement is not a contract for the sale of goods. IPM will perform the Services under this Agreement in a good and workmanlike manner in
  - accordance with the customs, practices, and standards of the prescription benefit management industry. EXCEPT AS WARRANTED IN THIS SECTION, IPM DISCLAIMS ALL EXPRESS AND ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF ANY KIND, INCLUDING THE SUITABILITY FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE OF THE DATA GENERATED THROUGH IPM'S SYSTEM. IPM RELIES ON MEDISPAN OR COMPARABLE DATABASES IN PROVIDING CLIENT AND COVERED PERSONS WITH DRUG UTILIZATION REVIEW SERVICES. IPM HAS UTILIZED DUE DILIGENCE IN COLLECTING AND REPORTING THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE DATABASES AND HAS OBTAINED SUCH INFORMATION FROM SOURCES BELIEVED TO BE RELIABLE. IPM, HOWEVER, DOES NOT WARRANT THE ACCURACY OF REPORTS, ALERTS, CODES, PRICES, OR OTHER DATA CONTAINED IN THE DATABASES. IPM DOES NOT WARRANT THAT ITS SERVICES WILL BE UNINTERRUPTED OR ERROR FREE.
- 9.4 IPM does not direct or exercise any control over the professional judgment exercised by any pharmacist in dispensing prescriptions or otherwise providing pharmaceutical related services. Network Pharmacies are independent contractors, and IPM shall have no liability to Client, Plans, any Covered Person, or any other person or entity for any act or omission of any Network Pharmacy or its agents or employees.
- 9.5 To the extent authorized under Texas law, Each Party shall be indemnified and held harmless by the other for the amount of any and all liabilities, losses, damages, claims, costs and expenses, interest, awards, judgments, and penalties (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees and expenses) (each, a "Loss"), arising out of or resulting from the breach of a Party's obligations under this Agreement or the gross negligence or willful misconduct of a Party, except to the extent any such Losses were caused by the negligence or intentional conduct of IPM or the breach of IPM's obligations under this Agreement. This Section 9.5 will survive the termination of the Agreement.
- 9.6 To the extent authorized under Texas law, Neither IPM nor Client will be liable to each other for indirect, incidental, consequential, punitive, special, or exemplary damages, arising out of or related to performance of this Agreement or a breach of this Agreement, even if advised of the possibility of such damages. IPM's maximum liability to Client, regardless of the form of action and whether for damages, indemnification or otherwise, shall not exceed the Administrative Fee paid by Client over the previous six (6) months.
- 9.7 An indemnified party (the "Indemnified Party") shall give an indemnifying party (the "Indemnifying Party") notice of any matter which an Indemnified Party has determined has given or could give rise to a right of indemnification under Section 9.5 within thirty (30) days of such determination, stating the amount of any Loss, if known, and method the of computation. If an Indemnified Party receives notice of any claims by a third party which are subject to the indemnification provided for Section 9.5 ("Third Party Claims"), the Indemnified Party shall give the Indemnifying Party notice of such Third-Party Claim within ten (10) days of the receipt of notice by the Indemnified Party. Failure to provide notice of a claim or a Third-Party Claim as provided for in this subsection shall not release the Indemnifying Party from any of its obligations under Section 9.5 unless such failure causes actual prejudice to the Indemnifying Party, in which case the Indemnifying Party shall be released only to the extent of such prejudice.
- 9.8 The obligations and liabilities of an Indemnifying Party under Section 9.5 with respect to Losses arising from Third Party Claims shall be governed by and contingent upon the following additional terms and conditions: The Indemnifying Party shall acknowledge, in writing, its obligation to indemnify the Indemnified Party hereunder against any Losses that may result from such Third Party Claim, at its expense and through counsel of its choice, and give notice of its intention to do so to the Indemnified Party within thirty (30) days of the receipt of such notice from the Indemnified Party; provided however, that if there exists or is reasonably likely to exist a conflict of interest



that would make it inappropriate in the judgment of the Indemnified Party for the same counsel to represent both the Indemnified Party and the Indemnifying Party, then the Indemnified Party shall be entitled to retain its

own counsel, in each jurisdiction for which the Indemnified Party determines counsel is required, at the expense of the Indemnifying Party. Each party shall cooperate, and shall use its best efforts to cause its affiliates, officers, directors, employees, and agents to cooperate, with the other in any such defense and

make available, at the other party's expense, all witnesses, pertinent records, materials, and information in its possession or under its control and shall use its best efforts to cause its affiliates, officers, directors, employees, and agents to make available to the other party, at the other party's expense, all witnesses, pertinent records, materials and information in the possession or under the control of any of them, relating thereto as is reasonably required by the other party. No such Third-Party Claim may be settled by the Indemnifying Party without the prior written consent of the Indemnified Party, which consent may not be unreasonably withheld.

## 10. EXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT

IPM shall be Client's exclusive provider of pharmacy benefit management services and the Services, and Client may not contract with any other organization for any services relating to the subject matter of this Agreement during the term or extension thereof. This provision shall not prohibit IPM from entering into agreements with other potential clients, including competitors of Client, and other providers of pharmacy services, either directly or indirectly.

## 11. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement will be governed and construed according to the internal laws of the State of Texas excluding its choice of law provisions and all claims relating to or arising out of this Agreement, or the breach thereof, whether sounding in contract, tort or otherwise shall likewise be governed by the laws of the State of Texas excluding its choice of law principles.

#### 12. <u>Notices</u>

All notices, requests, demands and other communications provided for hereunder will be in writing and will be deemed duly given if (i) delivered in person; (ii) sent by Federal Express or other nationally recognized overnight delivery service, charges paid by the sender, or (iii) deposited in the United States mail, first class, registered or certified, any of which including return receipt requested, with proper postage prepaid as follows:

If to Client, to:		
Williamson County, Texas	, a political subdivision of	the State of Texas
Attn:	<u> </u>	
Name	Title	
355 Texas Avenue		
Round Rock, TX 78664		
If to IPM, to:		
Melissa Hawkins, Chief St	rategy Officer	
7815 N. Palm Ave.		

Any party may change its address for such communications by giving notice to the other in conformity with this section.

## 13. <u>Further Assurances</u>

Fresno, CA 93711

Suite 400

Each party agrees to cooperate fully with the other party and to execute such further instruments, documents, and agreements and to give such further written assurances, as may be requested by any other party, to better evidence



and reflect the transactions described herein and contemplated hereby, and to affect the intents and purposes of this Agreement.

## 14. ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS

If either party seeks to enforce its rights or remedies hereunder by litigation, or otherwise, the prevailing party will be entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees, expenses and costs incurred in connection with the litigation.

#### 15. <u>SEVERABILITY</u>

In the event any term or provision of this Agreement is declared to be invalid or illegal for any reason, this Agreement will remain in full force and effect and will be interpreted as though such invalid or illegal provision were not a part of this Agreement. The remaining provisions will be construed to preserve the intent and purpose of this Agreement and the parties will negotiate in good faith to preserve the intent and purpose of this Agreement and the parties will negotiate in good faith to modify any invalidated provisions to preserve each party's anticipated benefits.

#### 16. RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES

Nothing in this Agreement will be construed to create an employer-employee, joint venture, partner, agent, or any other relationship between IPM and Client except that of independent contractors.

## 17. EXECUTION IN COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed simultaneously in two or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original agreement, but all of which together will constitute the same instrument.

#### 18. <u>AMENDMENTS AND MODIFICATIONS</u>

Except as otherwise set forth herein, this Agreement may be amended, modified, or supplemented only by mutual consent set forth in writing duly signed by the parties hereto.

#### 19. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW; CHANGE IN LAW

- 19.1 Each party is responsible for ensuring its compliance with any Laws applicable to its business, including any necessary licenses and permits. If Client is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act ("ERISA"), Client will ensure that all of its activities comply with ERISA. No party shall make payments or perform services under this Agreement that would be prohibited by Law. This Agreement shall not be construed to induce or encourage the referral of patients, and no payment made pursuant to this Agreement or any other agreement between Client and IPM shall be construed to induce the purchase, lease, order or arrangement for the furnishing of healthcare products or services.
- 19.2 The parties will attempt to equitably adjust the terms of this Agreement, which may include a pricing adjustment, to take into account any Change in Law or any change in drug industry practice that materially alters the rights or obligations of either party under this Agreement (for example, if a Change in Law causes IPM's performance of its duties under this Agreement to become materially more burdensome or expensive). If the parties are unable to agree upon an equitable adjustment within sixty (60) days after either party notifies the other of such a Change in Law or material change in drug industry practice, then this Agreement will automatically terminate. For purposes of this provision, a "Change in Law" means any (i) change in or adoption of any law, (ii) change in the judicial or administrative interpretation of any Law, or (iii) change in the enforcement of any Law, occurring after the Effective Date.

## 20. <u>ASSIGNMENT</u>

No party may assign its rights or obligations under this Agreement to a third party without the prior written consent of the other party which shall not be unreasonably withheld. Assignment of the Agreement to a wholly owned or controlled subsidiary of IPM or a successor entity under common control in management with IPM does not constitute assignment to a third party.



#### 21. THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY

This Agreement is not intended to create, nor will it be deemed to create, any third-party beneficiary rights including, without limitation, in Covered Persons, whose rights are determined solely by the terms of the Description of Coverage.

#### 22 ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement is the entire agreement among the parties with respect to the matters covered hereby and will supersede all previous written, oral or implied understandings among them with respect to such matters.

#### 23. FORCE MAJEURE

If either party is prevented from carrying out its obligations under this Agreement, except for payment obligations, by acts of war, civil unrest, riots, fire, labor actions, earthquakes or other acts of nature, by any cause that is beyond the reasonable control of either party, by an adverse judgment of a court of appropriate jurisdiction or an adverse decision, or by any act of a Federal, state or local political or regulatory body or agency thereof (each a "Force Majeure Event"), then such party will be relieved of its obligations under this Agreement. If either party is unable to perform for sixty (60) days from the date of the Force Majeure Event, then that party may terminate this Agreement, except as mutually agreed upon by the parties.

#### 24. TAXES

In the event that Client, the Plans, or any obligations under this Agreement, including without limitation the payment of rebate amounts, are subject to any form of governmental or regulatory charges, including any premium taxes, insolvency fees, guarantee fund fees, sales taxes, or any similar charges (excluding taxes based on the net income of IPM), such charges will be the sole responsibility of Client. All such charges will be included in the monthly invoice to Client. Client will defend, indemnify, and hold harmless IPM from the payment of such charges.

#### 25. WAIVERS

The waiver by either party of one or more defaults on the part of the other party in the performance of any obligations under this Agreement will not be construed to operate as a waiver of any subsequent defaults.

#### 26. MEDIATION

The parties agree to use mediation for dispute resolution prior to and formal legal action being taken on this Contract.

## 25. RIGHT TO AUDIT

IPM agrees that Client 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 IPM which are directly pertinent to the services to be performed under this Agreement for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. IPM agrees that Client shall have access during normal working hours to all necessary IPM facilities and shall be provided adequate and appropriate work space in order to conduct audits in compliance with the provisions of this section. Client shall give IPM reasonable advance notice of intended audits..



INTENDING TO BE LEGALLY BOUND, the parties have duly executed this agreement as of the Effective Date.

Integrated Prescription Management	Williamson County, Texas, a political subdivision of the State of Texas		
Melin Jankus	Bill ST. 21.31 A. Bill Gravell (Jul 28, 2022 10:31	CDT)	
Signature	Signature	<del>-</del>	
Melissa Hawkins/ Chief Strategy Officer	Bill Gravell	County Judge	
Print Name/Title	Print Name/Title		
07/20/2022	Jul 28, 2022		
Date	Date		



# EXHIBIT A FEES

# Indigent Program Population

**Retail Pharmacy Fees:** 

**Brand:** AWP less 15% plus \$2.50 dispensing fee

Generic\*\*: AWP less 50%, U&C or Generic MAC(GER Performance of 80% discount off

AWP) plus \$2.50 dispensing fee;

## **Additional Fees:**

Plastic ID Cards: \$0.00

Universal Claim Forms (Manual Forms): \$0.00

Coordination of Benefits: \$0.00 Eligibility Updates: \$0.00 Prior Authorizations: \$0.00 Standard Reporting: \$0.00 Clinical Review: \$0.00

Account Manager Site Visits: \$0.00

**Definitions:\*\*** 

**AWP – Average Wholesale Price:** Typically set by the Manufacturer, used as a pricing point for processors and payors.

## **Single Source Generics**: (Also fall into NON MAC Category)

A drug where the manufacturer has the sole right to produce the generic version of that drug for anywhere from six months to one year. The price of the drug will be lower than the brand drug. However, since there's only one other company selling the drug, it will not be much cheaper than its branded equivalent.

MAC Generics: As most generic drugs fall into this category, these drugs are defined as products with three or more versions of the product related therapeutically equal (A–rated) no matter what the ratings of other versions (B–rated) and at least three suppliers are listed in the current editions of published national compendia.

MAC: MAC is a term that means 'Maximum Allowable Cost'. A "Maximum allowable cost" or "MAC" list generally refers to a payer or PBM-generated list of products that includes the upper limit or maximum amount that a plan will pay for generic drugs and brand name drugs that have generic versions available (multi-source brands). Essentially, no two MAC lists are alike and each PBM picks and chooses products for their MAC lists, using different criteria to derive and apply prices to the list.

**Usual & Customary**(U&C): Actual retail prices that pharmacies charge to cash-paying consumers for prescription drugs. "Example: \$4 WalMart Discount Drug list; \$3.99 Brookshire Discount Drug list, \$5 HEB Discount Drug List \*\*Not all discount lists are captured by PBM. Example: IF retailer offers a club or membership to participate, this U&C would not transmit as U&C to PBM."

**GER:** Generic Effective Rate: Generic effective rate is a calculation to verify that contract and performance guarantees are being met with regard to the overall pricing of generic claims. Quarterly reports will be provided to report back the performance of GER.





## **EXHIBIT B**

## **BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT is made between Integrated Prescription Management, Inc., whose principal place of business is 7815 N. Palm Ave, Suite 400, Fresno California 93711 and Williamson County and Cities Health District. This Agreement is for the purpose of addressing the measures that the Parties will take to protect the confidentiality of certain health information that either Party may deliver to the other, or that one Party may receive on behalf of the other. This Agreement is to be in effect as of September 1, 2022 and shall continue until terminated as herein provided.

WHEREAS, the disclosure of certain health-related information is regulated by the provisions of 45 <u>U.S.C.</u> §§1171 et seq., enacted by (i) the *Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996* and the regulations promulgated thereunder (collectively referred to as "HIPAA Implementing Regulations"); (ii) Title XIII of the *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act* of 2009 (ARRA) entitled *Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act* ("HITECH") 42 <u>U.S.C.</u> §§17921, et seq.; and (*iii*) the requirements of the final modifications to the HIPPA Privacy, Security, Enforcement and Breach Notification Rules as issued on January 25, 2013 and effective March 26, 2013, 75 <u>Fed Reg</u> 5566, ("the Final Regulations"). The Implementing Regulations, the HITECH Act, and the Final Regulations are collectively referred to in this Agreement as "the HIPAA Requirements".

WHEREAS, in performance of their contractual obligations to each other, or to other third parties, the Parties may exchange Protected Health Information ("PHI", as that term is defined by the HIPAA Requirements) in connection with health benefit plans or administration services;

WHEREAS, one Party may receive or disclose PHI on behalf of the other Party in connection with those contractual obligations;

WHEREAS, the Parties desire that this Agreement accurately reflect the requirements of the HIPAA Requirements as they apply to the disclosure and breach of PHI; and

WHEREAS, the Parties agree to incorporate into this Agreement any regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services ("DHHS") with respect to the HIPAA Requirements that relate to the obligations of either Party and that are required to be reflected in a Business Associate Agreement. The Parties recognize that they are obligated by law to meet the applicable HIPAA Requirements and that each Party has direct liability for any violation of the HIPAA Requirements.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Parties agree as follows:

## 1. Definitions

#### 1.1. Catch-all definition:

The following terms used in this Agreement shall have the same meaning as those terms in the HIPAA Requirements: Breach, Data Aggregation, Designated Record Set, Disclosure, Health Care Operations, Individual, Minimum Necessary, Notice of Privacy Practices, Protected Health Information ("PHI"), Electronic



Health Information, Required By Law, Secretary, Security Incident, Subcontractor, Unsecured Protected Health Information, and Use.

## **Specific definitions:**

- (a) <u>Business Associate</u>. "Business Associate" shall generally have the same meaning as the term "business associate" at 45 CFR 160.103, and in reference to the party to this Agreement, shall mean both Parties, individually and jointly.
- (b) <u>Covered Entity</u>. "Covered Entity" shall generally have the same meaning as the term "covered entity" at 45 CFR 160.103, and in reference to the party to this Agreement, shall mean both Parties, individually and jointly.
- (c) <u>HIPAA Requirements</u>. "HIPAA Requirements" shall mean the Privacy, Security, Breach Notification, and Enforcement Rules at 45 CFR Part 160 and Part 164.

## 2. Obligations and Activities of Parties

#### Parties agree to:

- (a) Not use or disclose PHI other than as permitted or required by the Agreement or as required by law;
- (b) Use appropriate safeguards, and comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164 with respect to electronic PHI, to prevent use or disclosure of PHI other than as provided for by the Agreement;
- (c) Report to the other Party, within ten (10) business days, any known use or disclosure of PHI not permitted under the Agreement, including breaches of unsecured PHI as required at 45 CFR 164.410, and any security incident of which it becomes aware;
- (d) In accordance with 45 CFR 164.502(e)(1)(ii) and 164.308(b)(2), if applicable, ensure that any subcontractors or service suppliers that create, receive, maintain, or transmit PHI on behalf of the Party agree to the same restrictions, conditions, and requirements that apply to the Business Associate with respect to such information and execute a written Business Associate Agreement reflecting same;
- (e) Make PHI available in a designated record set to the other Party or to the "individual or the individual's designee" as necessary to satisfy either Party's obligations under 45 CFR 164.524;
- (f) Make any amendment(s) to PHI in a designated record set as directed or agreed to by the other Party pursuant to 45 CFR 164.526, or take other measures as necessary to satisfy the other Party's obligations under 45 CFR 164.526;
- (g) Maintain and make available the information required to provide an accounting of disclosures to the other Party or "individual" as necessary to satisfy either Party's obligations under 45 CFR 164.528; and
- (h) To the extent either Party is to carry out one or more of the other Party's obligation(s) under Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164, comply with the requirements of Subpart E that apply to the other Party in the performance of such obligation(s).

#### 3. Permitted Uses and Disclosures by Business Associate



(a) Each Party may use or disclose PHI only for any lawful purpose and as required for the performance of that Party's obligations under any contract or agreement related the

administration of or providing of services to, a health care plan, and only if the disclosure is in compliance with the HIPAA Requirements.

Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, the Parties may disclose PHI to either Party's other Business Associates or vendor of personal health records, provided that such use or disclosure would not violate any Privacy Rule and that the other entity has executed a written Business Associate Agreement with the Party.

- (b) The Parties may use or disclose PHI as required by law.
- (c) The Parties agree to make uses and disclosures and requests for PHI consistent with the other Party's minimum necessary policies and procedures.
- (d) Neither Party may use or disclose PHI in a manner that would violate Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164 if done by the other Party.
- (e) Either Party may use PHI for the proper management and administration of that Party or to carry out the legal responsibilities of that Party.
- (f) Each Party may disclose PHI for the proper management and administration of that Party or to carry out the legal responsibilities of that Party, provided the disclosures are required by law, or the Party obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom the information is disclosed that the information will remain confidential and used or further disclosed only as required by law or for the purposes for which it was disclosed to the person, and the person notifies the Party of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached.
- 4. Provisions for Party to Inform Other Party of Privacy Practices and Restrictions
  - (a) Each Party shall notify the other Party of any limitation(s) in the notice of privacy practices of that Party under 45 CFR 164.520, to the extent that such limitation may affect the other Party's use or disclosure of PHI.
  - (b) Each Party shall notify the other Party of any changes in, or revocation of, the permission by an individual to use or disclose his or her PHI, to the extent that such changes may affect that Party's use or disclosure of PHI.
  - (c) Each Party shall notify the other Party of any restriction on the use or disclosure of PHI that the Party has agreed to or is required to abide by under 45 CFR 164.522, to the extent that such restriction may affect the Party's use or disclosure of PHI.

## 5. Permissible Requests by Parties

Neither Party shall request the other Party to use or disclose PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164 (or any other HIPAA Requirements) if done by covered entity.

#### 6. Investigations



The Parties shall make their internal practices, books and records relating to the use and disclosure of PHI available to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services (the "Secretary") for purposes of determining the Parties' compliance with applicable law. A Party

shall immediately notify the other Party in the event they receive or are otherwise notified of any request by the Secretary to conduct an investigation of the use or disclosure of PHI.

## 7. Audit Rights

- (a) **Right to Audit.** Either Party, or its representative, shall be entitled after ten (10) business days' prior written notice to the other Party, to audit that Party to verify their compliance with the terms of this Agreement. The auditing Party shall be entitled and enabled to inspect the records and other information relevant to the audited Party's compliance with the terms of this Agreement. The auditing Party shall conduct its review during the normal business hours of the audited Party and shall have the right to conduct the audit in any reasonable manner which does not unreasonably interfere with the audited Party's normal operations.
- (b) **Obligation to Maintain Records**. The Parties shall produce and maintain accurate and complete records of all receipts, transmissions, uses, and disclosures of PHI subject to HIPAA and HITECH reporting standards, throughout the term of any contracts between the Parties, or for such longer period as may be Required by Law. The Parties shall maintain all records and other information in a safe and secure environment and in compliance with applicable laws. The Parties shall maintain all records and other information with a system of audit trails and controls sufficient to allow either Party to confirm the other Party's compliance with any requirements or regulations enforced by the Secretary.

## 8. Term and Termination

- (a) <u>Term</u>. The Term of this Agreement shall terminate when all PHI exchanged between the Parties or received by one Party on behalf of the other Party, is destroyed. Or, if it is not reasonably feasible to destroy the PHI, all protections created by this Agreement shall be extended to that PHI, or the date either Party terminates for cause as authorized in paragraph (b) of this Section, whichever is sooner.
- (b) <u>Termination for Cause</u>. Either Party may terminate this Agreement if that Party determines that the other Party has violated a material term of the Agreement (c) <u>Obligations of Parties Upon Termination</u>.

Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, each Party, with respect to PHI received from the other Party, or created, maintained, or received by the Party on behalf of the other Party, shall:

- 1. Retain only that PHI which is necessary for the Party to continue its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities;
- 2. Return to the other Party the remaining PHI that the Party still maintains in any form;
- 3. Continue to use appropriate safeguards and comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164 with respect to electronic PHI to prevent use or disclosure of the PHI, other than as provided for in this Section, for as long as the Party retains the PHI;



- 4. Not use or disclose the PHI retained by the Party other than for the purposes for which such PHI was retained and subject to the same conditions which applied prior to termination; and
- 5. Return to the other Party the PHI retained by the Party when it is no longer needed by the Party for proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities.
- (d) <u>Survival</u>. The obligations of both Parties under this Section shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

#### 9. Miscellaneous

- (a) <u>Regulatory References</u>. A reference in this Agreement to a section in the HIPAA Requirements means the section as in effect or as amended.
- (b) Amendment. The Parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Agreement as is necessary to allow the Parties to meet their contractual obligations to comply with the requirements of the Privacy Rule or any other HIPAA Requirement. In the event of any amendment to HIPAA or HITECH or any other Privacy-related Rule, this Agreement will be deemed by all Parties to concurrently adopt such amendments and incorporate them in this Agreement as necessary to comply with such regulation or amendment. Such modifications to this Agreement will immediately be effective without the necessity of a signed amendment.
- (c) <u>Interpretation</u>. Any ambiguity in this Agreement shall be interpreted to permit compliance with the HIPAA Requirements.

#### 10. Indemnification

In the event a Party negligently allows the improper or unauthorized use, disclosure or breach of PHI, that Party agrees to defend and indemnify the other Party and hold it harmless from and against any and all claims, causes of action, losses, liabilities, damages and expenses, including court cost and attorneys' fees, to the extent that such claims, causes of action, losses, liabilities, damages and expenses which arise from such improper or unauthorized use or disclosure.

11. Obligations of Party's Subcontractors, Vendors and Other Third Parties

The Parties agree that as required by the HIPAA Requirements, each Party will enter into written Business Associate Agreements with all other Business Associates, or vendors or other third parties with access to PHI, that requires them to comply with Privacy and Security Rule provisions of this Agreement in the same manner as required of Parties, and notifies that Business Associate that they will incur liability under the HIPAA Requirements for non-compliance with such provisions. The Parties will assure that all other Business Associates provide written agreement to the same privacy and security restrictions, conditions and requirements that apply to the Parties regarding PHI.