

STATE OF TEXAS                   §  
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COUNTY OF FORT BEND         §

**AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR CLINIC SERVICES**

THIS AMENDMENT (“Amendment”) is entered into by and between Fort Bend County, (“County”), a body corporate and politic under the laws of the State of Texas, and the Fort Bend County Family Health Center Inc., dba AccessHealth (hereinafter “Contractor”), a non-profit corporation authorized to conduct business in the State of Texas (collectively referred to as the “parties”).

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the parties previously entered into the Agreement for Clinic Services, on or about December 6, 2022, (the “Agreement”), attached hereto as Exhibit “I” and incorporated herein for all purposes, for Contractor to provide Clinic Services as requested by the Fort Bend County Health and Human Services Department (the “Services”); and

NOW, THEREFORE, County and Contractor desire to amend said Agreement as set forth below:

I.       Amendments

1. **Scope of Services.** Contractor shall provide Services to County as defined in Contractor’s Scope of Services, attached as Exhibit “II” and incorporated fully by reference.
2. **Term.** This Agreement shall renew and this Amendment is effective as of January 1, 2023, and shall expire no later than December 31, 2023, unless terminated sooner pursuant to this Agreement. This Agreement shall not automatically renew, but may renew upon written agreement of the parties.
3. **Limit of Appropriation.** Contractor’s fees shall be calculated at the rates set forth in the attached Exhibit II. The Maximum Compensation for the performance of services within the Scope of Services as described in Exhibit II is \$800,452.00. In no case shall the amount paid by County under this Amendment exceed this Maximum Compensation without an approved change order. Contractor clearly understands and agrees, such understanding and agreement being of the absolute essence of this Amendment, that County shall have available the total maximum sum of \$800,452.00, specifically allocated to fully discharge any and all liabilities County may incur. Contractor does further understand and agree, said understanding and agreement also being of the absolute essence of this Amendment, that the total maximum compensation that Contractor may become entitled to and the total maximum sum that County may become liable to pay to Contractor shall not under any conditions, circumstances, or interpretations thereof exceed \$800,452.00.
4. **Certain State Law Requirements for Contracts.** The contents of this Section are required by Texas Law and are included by County regardless of content. For purposes of Sections 2252.152, 2271.002, and 2274.002, Texas Government Code, as

amended, Contractor hereby verifies that Contractor and any parent company, wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, and affiliate:

- a. Unless affirmatively declared by the United States government to be excluded from its federal sanctions regime relating to Sudan or Iran or any federal sanctions regime relating to a foreign terrorist organization, is not identified on a list prepared and maintained by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts under Section 806.051, 807.051, or 2252.153 of the Texas Government Code.
- b. If employing ten (10) or more full-time employees and this Agreement has a value of \$100,000.00 or more, Contractor does not boycott Israel and is authorized to agree in such contracts not to boycott Israel during the term of such contracts. "Boycott Israel" has the meaning provided in § 808.001 of the Texas Government Code.
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5. **Modifications.** Except as modified herein, the Agreement remains in full force and effect and has not been modified or amended.
6. **Conflict.** If there is a conflict among documents, the most recently executed document will prevail with regard to the conflict.
7. **Understanding, Fair Construction.** By execution of this Amendment, the parties acknowledge that they have read and understood each provision, term and obligation contained in this Amendment. This Amendment, although drawn by one party, shall be construed fairly and reasonably and not more strictly against the drafting party than the nondrafting party.
8. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions remain in full force, if the essential terms and conditions of this Agreement for each party remain valid, binding, and enforceable.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Amendment is signed, accepted, and agreed to by all parties by and through the parties or their agents or authorized representatives. All parties hereby acknowledge that they have read and understood this Amendment and the attachments and exhibits hereto. All parties further acknowledge that they have executed this legal document voluntarily and of their own free will.

FORT BEND COUNTY

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KP George, County Judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

ATTEST:

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Laura Richard, County Clerk

REVIEWED:

  
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Health and Human Services

FORT BEND COUNTY FAMILY HEALTH  
CENTER, INC. DBA ACCESS HEALTH

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Agent - Signature

Michael R. Dotson  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Agent- Printed Name

C.E.O.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

6/7/2023  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that funds are available in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to accomplish and pay the obligation of Fort Bend County under this Agreement.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Robert Ed Sturdivant, County Auditor

Exhibit I: Agreement for Clinic Services, executed by the parties, on or about December 6, 2022, for Clinic Services as requested by the Fort Bend County Health and Human Services Department; and

Exhibit II: Contractor's Scope of Services.

# EXHIBIT I

STATE OF TEXAS                   §  
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**AGREEMENT FOR CLINIC SERVICES**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between Fort Bend County, (hereinafter "County"), a body corporate and politic under the laws of the State of Texas, and the Fort Bend County Family Health Center Inc., dba AccessHealth (hereinafter "Contractor"), a non-profit corporation authorized to conduct business in the State of Texas.

**WITNESSETH**

WHEREAS, Fort Bend County desires that Contractor provide Clinic Services as requested by the Fort Bend County Health and Human Services Department (hereinafter "Services");

WHEREAS, the Texas County Purchasing Act, §262.024 (2) Texas Local Govt. Code, exempts from competitive bidding contracts that are necessary to preserve or protect the public health or safety of the residents of the county and §262.024 (4) contracts for personal or professional services;

WHEREAS, the Fort Bend County Commissioners Court specifically finds that this Agreement is both one for health and safety and one for personal or professional services and therefore grants exemption from competitive bidding for this Agreement, insofar as any competitive bidding statute might apply.

WHEREAS, Contractor represents that it is qualified and desires to perform such services.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions set forth below, the parties agree as follows:

**AGREEMENT**

**Section 1. Scope of Services**

Contractor shall render Services to County as defined in the Scope of Services (attached hereto as Exhibit A).

**Section 2. Personnel**

2.1 Contractor represents that it presently has, or is able to obtain, adequate qualified personnel in its employment for the timely performance of the Scope of Services required under this Agreement and that Contractor shall furnish and maintain, at its own expense, adequate and

sufficient personnel, in the opinion of County, to perform the Scope of Services when and as required and without delays.

2.2 All employees of Contractor shall have such knowledge and experience as will enable them to perform the duties assigned to them. Any employee of Contractor who, in the opinion of County, is incompetent or by his conduct becomes detrimental to the project shall, upon request of County, immediately be removed from association with the project.

### **Section 3. Compensation and Payment**

3.1 Contractor's fees shall be calculated at the rates set forth in the attached Exhibit B. The Maximum Compensation for the performance of Services within the Scope of Services described in Exhibit A is seven hundred ninety thousand three hundred four dollars and no/100 \$790,304.00. In no case shall the amount paid by County under this Agreement exceed the Maximum Compensation without an approved change order.

3.2 All performance of the Scope of Services by Contractor including any changes in the Scope of Services and revision of work satisfactorily performed will be performed only when approved in advance and authorized by County.

3.3 County will pay Contractor based on the following procedures: Upon completion of the tasks identified in the Scope of Services, Contractor shall submit to County two (2) original copies of invoices showing the amounts due for services performed in a form acceptable to County. County shall review such invoices and approve them within 30 calendar days with such modifications as are consistent with this Agreement and forward same to the Auditor for processing. County shall pay each such approved invoice within thirty (30) calendar days. County reserves the right to withhold payment pending verification of satisfactory work performed.

### **Section 4. Limit of Appropriation**

4.1 Contractor clearly understands and agrees, such understanding and agreement being of the absolute essence of this Agreement, that County shall have available the total maximum sum of seven hundred ninety thousand three hundred four dollars and no/100 \$790,304.00, specifically allocated to fully discharge any and all liabilities County may incur.

4.2 Contractor does further understand and agree, said understanding and agreement also being of the absolute essence of this Agreement, that the total maximum compensation that Contractor may become entitled to and the total maximum sum that County may become liable to pay to Contractor shall not under any conditions, circumstances, or interpretations thereof exceed seven hundred ninety thousand three hundred four dollars and no/100 \$790,304.00.

### **Section 5. Term of Agreement**

This Agreement is effective as of January 1, 2022 and shall terminate on December 31, 2022 unless sooner terminated in accordance with this Agreement. This Agreement does not automatically renew. The Parties acknowledge and agree that Services have been and will be

supported by good and valuable consideration during the Term of this Agreement, the sufficiency of which is acknowledged by the Parties.

**Section 6. Modifications and Waivers**

6.1 The parties may not amend or waive this Agreement, except by a written agreement executed by both parties.

6.2 No failure or delay in exercising any right or remedy or requiring the satisfaction of any condition under this Agreement, and no course of dealing between the parties, operates as a waiver or estoppel of any right, remedy, or condition.

6.3 The rights and remedies of the parties set forth in this Agreement are not exclusive of, but are cumulative to, any rights or remedies now or subsequently existing at law, in equity, or by statute.

**Section 7. Termination**

7.1 Termination for Convenience

7.1.1 County may terminate this Agreement at any time upon thirty (30) days written notice.

7.2 Termination for Default

7.2.1 County may terminate the whole or any part of this Agreement for cause in the following circumstances:

7.2.1.1 If Contractor fails to perform services within the time specified in the Scope of Services or any extension thereof granted by the County in writing;

7.2.1.2 If Contractor materially breaches any of the covenants or terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement or fails to perform any of the other provisions of this Agreement or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Agreement in accordance with its terms, and in any of these circumstances does not cure such breach or failure to County's reasonable satisfaction within a period of ten (10) calendar days after receipt of notice from County specifying such breach or failure.

7.2.2 If, after termination, it is determined for any reason whatsoever that Contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the County in accordance with Section 7.1 above.

7.3 Upon termination of this Agreement, County shall compensate Contractor in accordance with Section 3, above, for those services which were provided under this Agreement prior to its termination and which have not been previously invoiced to County. Contractor's final invoice for said services will be presented to and paid by County in the same manner set forth in Section 3 above.

7.4 If County terminates this Agreement as provided in this Section, no fees of any type, other than fees due and payable at the Termination Date, shall thereafter be paid to Contractor.

#### **Section 8. Ownership and Reuse of Documents**

All documents, data, reports, research, graphic presentation materials, etc., developed by Contractor as a part of its work under this Agreement, shall become the property of County upon completion of this Agreement, or in the event of termination or cancellation thereof, at the time of payment under Section 3 for work performed. Contractor shall promptly furnish all such data and material to County on request.

#### **Section 9. Inspection of Books and Records**

Contractor will permit County, or any duly authorized agent of County, to inspect and examine the books and records of Contractor for the purpose of verifying the amount of work performed under the Scope of Services. County's right to inspect survives the termination of this Agreement for a period of four years.

#### **Section 10. Insurance**

10.1 Prior to commencement of the Services, Contractor shall furnish County with properly executed certificates of insurance which shall evidence all insurance required and provide that such insurance shall not be canceled, except on 30 days' prior written notice to County. Contractor shall provide certified copies of insurance endorsements and/or policies if requested by County. Contractor shall maintain such insurance coverage from the time Services commence until Services are completed and provide replacement certificates, policies and/or endorsements for any such insurance expiring prior to completion of Services. Contractor shall obtain such insurance written on an Occurrence form from such companies having Bests rating of A/VII or better, licensed or approved to transact business in the State of Texas, and shall obtain such insurance of the following types and minimum limits:

10.1.1 Workers' Compensation insurance. Substitutes to genuine Workers' Compensation Insurance will not be allowed. Employers' Liability insurance with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per injury by accident, \$1,000,000 per injury by disease, and \$1,000,000 per bodily injury by disease.

10.1.2 Commercial general liability Insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the annual aggregate. Policy shall cover liability

for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage and products/completed operations arising out of the business operations of the policyholder.

10.1.3 Business Automobile Liability insurance with a combined Bodily Injury/Property Damage limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each accident. The policy shall cover liability arising from the operation of licensed vehicles by policyholder.

10.1.4 Professional Liability insurance with limits not less than \$1,000,000.

10.2 County and the members of Commissioners Court shall be named as additional insured to all required coverage except for Workers' Compensation and Professional Liability (if required). All Liability policies written on behalf of Contractor shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of County and members of Commissioners Court. For Commercial General Liability, the County shall be named as an Additional Insured on a Primary & Non-Contributory basis.

10.3 If required coverage is written on a claims-made basis, Contractor warrants that any retroactive date applicable to coverage under the policy precedes the effective date of the Contract and that continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of 2 years beginning from the time the work under this Contract is completed.

10.4 Contractor shall not commence any portion of the work under this Contract until it has obtained the insurance required herein and certificates of such insurance have been filed with and approved by Fort Bend County.

10.5 No cancellation of or changes to the certificates, or the policies, may be made without thirty (30) days prior, written notification to Fort Bend County.

10.6 Approval of the insurance by Fort Bend County shall not relieve or decrease the liability of the Contractor.

#### **Section 11. Indemnity**

**CONTRACTOR SHALL INDEMNIFY AND DEFEND COUNTY AGAINST ALL LOSSES, LIABILITIES, CLAIMS, CAUSES OF ACTION, AND OTHER EXPENSES, INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEYS FEES, ARISING FROM ACTIVITIES OF CONTRACTOR, ITS AGENTS, SERVANTS OR EMPLOYEES, PERFORMED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT THAT RESULT FROM THE NEGLIGENT ACT, ERROR, OR OMISSION OF CONTRACTOR OR ANY OF CONTRACTOR'S AGENTS, SERVANTS OR EMPLOYEES.**

#### **Section 12. Confidential and Proprietary Information**

12.1 Contractor acknowledges that it and its employees or agents may, in the course of performing their responsibilities under this Agreement, be exposed to or acquire

information that is confidential to County. Any and all information of any form obtained by Contractor or its employees or agents from County in the performance of this Agreement shall be deemed to be confidential information of County ("Confidential Information"). Any reports or other documents or items (including software) that result from the use of the Confidential Information by Contractor shall be treated with respect to confidentiality in the same manner as the Confidential Information. Confidential Information shall be deemed not to include information that (a) is or becomes (other than by disclosure by Contractor) publicly known or is contained in a publicly available document; (b) is rightfully in Contractor's possession without the obligation of nondisclosure prior to the time of its disclosure under this Agreement; or (c) is independently developed by employees or agents of Contractor who can be shown to have had no access to the Confidential Information.

12.2 Contractor agrees to hold Confidential Information in strict confidence, using at least the same degree of care that Contractor uses in maintaining the confidentiality of its own confidential information, and not to copy, reproduce, sell, assign, license, market, transfer or otherwise dispose of, give, or disclose Confidential Information to third parties or use Confidential Information for any purposes whatsoever other than the provision of Services to County hereunder, and to advise each of its employees and agents of their obligations to keep Confidential Information confidential. Contractor shall use its best efforts to assist County in identifying and preventing any unauthorized use or disclosure of any Confidential Information. Without limitation of the foregoing, Contractor shall advise County immediately in the event Contractor learns or has reason to believe that any person who has had access to Confidential Information has violated or intends to violate the terms of this Agreement and Contractor will at its expense cooperate with County in seeking injunctive or other equitable relief in the name of County or Contractor against any such person. Contractor agrees that, except as directed by County, Contractor will not at any time during or after the term of this Agreement disclose, directly or indirectly, any Confidential Information to any person, and that upon termination of this Agreement or at County's request, Contractor will promptly turn over to County all documents, papers, and other matter in Contractor's possession which embody Confidential Information.

12.3 Contractor acknowledges that a breach of this Section, including disclosure of any Confidential Information, or disclosure of other information that, at law or in equity, ought to remain confidential, will give rise to irreparable injury to County that is inadequately compensable in damages. Accordingly, County may seek and obtain injunctive relief against the breach or threatened breach of the foregoing undertakings, in addition to any other legal remedies that may be available. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of the legitimate business interest of County and are reasonable in scope and content.

12.4 Contractor in providing all services hereunder agrees to abide by the provisions of any applicable Federal or State Data Privacy Act.

12.5 Contractor expressly acknowledges that County is subject to the Texas Public Information Act, TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. §§ 552.001 *et seq.*, as amended, and notwithstanding any provision in the Agreement to the contrary, County will make any information related to the Agreement, or otherwise, available to third parties in accordance with the Texas Public Information Act. Any proprietary or confidential information marked as such provided to County by Consultant shall not be disclosed to any third party, except as directed by the Texas Attorney General in response to a request for such under the Texas Public Information Act, which provides for notice to the owner of such marked information and the opportunity for the owner of such information to notify the Attorney General of the reasons why such information should not be disclosed. The terms and conditions of the Agreement are not proprietary or confidential information.

**Section 13. Independent Contractor**

13.1 In the performance of work or services hereunder, Contractor shall be deemed an independent contractor, and any of its agents, employees, officers, or volunteers performing work required hereunder shall be deemed solely as employees of contractor or, where permitted, of its subcontractors.

13.2 Contractor and its agents, employees, officers, or volunteers shall not, by performing work pursuant to this Agreement, be deemed to be employees, agents, or servants of County and shall not be entitled to any of the privileges or benefits of County employment.

**Section 14. Notices**

14.1 Each party giving any notice or making any request, demand, or other communication (each, a "Notice") pursuant to this Agreement shall do so in writing and shall use one of the following methods of delivery, each of which, for purposes of this Agreement, is a writing: personal delivery, registered or certified mail (in each case, return receipt requested and postage prepaid), or nationally recognized overnight courier (with all fees prepaid).

14.2 Each party giving a Notice shall address the Notice to the receiving party at the address listed below or to another address designated by a party in a Notice pursuant to this Section:

County:	Fort Bend County Health and Human Services Attn: Kaye Reynolds, DrPH Deputy Director 4520 Reading Road, Suite A-100 Rosenberg, Texas 77471
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With a copy to: Fort Bend County  
Attn: County Judge  
401 Jackson Street  
Richmond, Texas 77469

Contractor: AccessHealth  
400 Austin Street  
Richmond, Texas 77469

14.3 A Notice is effective only if the party giving or making the Notice has complied with subsections 14.1 and 14.2 and if the addressee has received the Notice. A Notice is deemed received as follows:

14.3.1 If the Notice is delivered in person, or sent by registered or certified mail or a nationally recognized overnight courier, upon receipt as indicated by the date on the signed receipt.

14.3.2 If the addressee rejects or otherwise refuses to accept the Notice, or if the Notice cannot be delivered because of a change in address for which no Notice was given, then upon the rejection, refusal, or inability to deliver.

**Section 15. Compliance with Laws**

Contractor shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, and the orders and decrees of any courts or administrative bodies or tribunals in any matter affecting the performance of this Agreement, including, without limitation, Worker's Compensation laws, minimum and maximum salary and wage statutes and regulations, licensing laws and regulations. When required by County, Contractor shall furnish County with certification of compliance with said laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders, and decrees above specified.

**Section 16. Performance Warranty**

16.1 Contractor warrants to County that Contractor has the skill and knowledge ordinarily possessed by well-informed members of its trade or profession practicing in the greater Houston metropolitan area and Contractor will apply that skill and knowledge with care and diligence to ensure that the Services provided hereunder will be performed and delivered in accordance with the highest professional standards.

16.2 Contractor warrants to County that the Services will be free from material errors and will materially conform to all requirements and specifications contained in the attached Exhibit A.

**Section 17. Assignment and Delegation**

17.1 Neither party may assign any of its rights under this Agreement, except with the prior written consent of the other party. That party shall not unreasonably withhold its consent. All assignments of rights are prohibited under this subsection, whether they are voluntarily or involuntarily, by merger, consolidation, dissolution, operation of law, or any other manner.

17.2 Neither party may delegate any performance under this Agreement.

17.3 Any purported assignment of rights or delegation of performance in violation of this Section is void.

**Section 18. Applicable Law**

The laws of the State of Texas govern all disputes arising out of or relating to this Agreement. The parties hereto acknowledge that venue is proper in Fort Bend County, Texas, for all legal actions or proceedings arising out of or relating to this Agreement and waive the right to sue or be sued elsewhere. Nothing in the Agreement shall be construed to waive the County's sovereign immunity.

**Section 19. Successors and Assigns**

County and Contractor bind themselves and their successors, executors, administrators and assigns to the other party of this Agreement and to the successors, executors, administrators and assigns of the other party, in respect to all covenants of this Agreement.

**Section 20. Third Party Beneficiaries**

This Agreement does not confer any enforceable rights or remedies upon any person other than the parties.

**Section 21. Severability**

If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions remain in full force, if the essential terms and conditions of this Agreement for each party remain valid, binding, and enforceable.

**Section 22. Publicity**

Contact with citizens of Fort Bend County, media outlets, or governmental agencies shall be the sole responsibility of County. Under no circumstances whatsoever, shall Contractor release any material or information developed or received in the performance of the Services hereunder without the express written permission of County, except where required to do so by law.

**Section 23. Captions**

The section captions used in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and do not affect the interpretation or construction of this Agreement.

**Section 24. Conflict**

In the event there is a conflict between this Agreement and the attached exhibit, this Agreement controls.

**Section 25. Certain State Law Requirements for Contracts** For purposes of section 2252.152, 2271.002, and 2274.002, Texas Government Code, as amended, Contractor hereby verifies that Contractor and any parent company, wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, and affiliate:

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**Section 26. Human Trafficking**

BY ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT, CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGES THAT FORT BEND COUNTY IS OPPOSED TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND THAT NO COUNTY FUNDS WILL BE USED IN SUPPORT OF SERVICES OR ACTIVITIES THAT VIOLATE HUMAN TRAFFICKING LAWS

**Section 27. Entire Agreement**

This executed instrument is understood and intended to be the final expression of the parties' agreement and is a complete and exclusive statement of the terms and conditions with respect thereto, superseding all prior agreements or representations, oral or written, and all other communication between the parties relating to the subject matter of this agreement. Any oral representations or modifications concerning this instrument shall be of no force or effect excepting a subsequent modification in writing signed by all the parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed or have caused their respective names to be signed to multiple counterparts to be effective on the 6th day of December, 2022.

FORT BEND COUNTY

  
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KP George County Judge

December 6, 2022  
Date

ATTEST:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Laura Richard, County Clerk



ACCESSHEALTH

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Agent- Signature

MIKE DOTSON  
Authorized Agent- Printed Name

CEO  
Title

11/15/2022  
Date

Reviewed by:

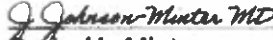
  
Dr. Jackie Minter  
Director of Health and Human Services

Exhibit A: Scope of Services  
Exhibit B: AccessHealth 1115(b) Medicaid Waiver Project Budgets

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**AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that funds are available in the amount of \$ 790,304.00 to accomplish and pay the obligation of Fort Bend County under this contract.

  
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Robert E. Sturdivant, County Auditor

# EXHIBIT A

## **Exhibit A**

### **Scope of Services for 1115 Waiver Projects**

#### **The goals of all 1115 Waiver projects:**

- The triple aim:
  - Improve experience of care
  - Improve health of the population
  - Reducing per capita costs of health care

#### **Goals of collaborative projects with AccessHealth FQHC**

- To reduce the number of individuals in Fort Bend County area utilizing hospital emergency rooms services and county ambulance services for medical purposes that could be prevented or better managed by access to a primary care provider in a non-acute setting.
- To provide “high risk” individuals (those suffering with severe chronic illness and exacerbation of serious ongoing medical issues) with ongoing support and clinical expertise to assist and encourage them to manage their health conditions through care management services at AccessHealth’s clinic location in Richmond, Texas.
- To provide primary care in the home setting for individuals with chronic medical conditions and who have been recognized as having frequent or inappropriate EMS or ED use.
- To integrate substance use identification and treatment into the primary care setting. The target population is individuals with substance use choices that may impact their ability to follow a medical care plan and may impact their health conditions.
- To provide no cost screening colonoscopies to individuals who meet the American Cancer Society guidelines for a colonoscopy, who are asymptomatic and have no health insurance coverage.

#### **Who will receive these services?**

- All age groups (18+)
- Fort Bend County uninsured, underinsured, low income and Fort Bend County Indigent program qualified participants

#### **Strategies**

- The Expanded Hours funding provided under the 1115 Waiver will support expansion of the Richmond Clinic hours to adult patients from 7am through 7pm, Monday through Friday and from 8am to 12pm on Saturdays. This will be accomplished by adding a full provider team to the clinic that will all for the expanded schedule.
- The Care Coordination project will be conducted by two nurses (care coordinators) with backgrounds in chronic disease management.. The care coordinators will be assisted by two community health workers. The Care Coordination team will receive referrals from EMS and ED and will assist enrolled patients in managing their chronic condition and avoiding use of the EMS and AD. Activities include proactive follow-up with the patients, education, pharmacy assistance, dietician guidance, and access to specialty medical services, as needed.

- The Community Paramedic program is funded by the 1115 Waiver and conducted by Fort Bend County EMS. Because many of the patients managed by the Community Paramedics become patients of AccessHealth, medical direction for this team is provided by the Chief Medical Officer of AccessHealth. He/she is a key member of the Senior Executive team, engaged in defining the overall business strategy and direction of the organization. In addition, this position leads the overall clinical vision for the organization and provides clinical direction to the Health Management, Network, Product and Credentialing divisions. The position provides medical oversight, expertise and leadership to ensure the delivery of affordable quality healthcare services. Responsibilities also include the strategic planning, development and implementation of innovative clinical programs that include collaboration with strategic business partners.
- AccessHealth will provide referrals for appropriate patients for Colonoscopy screening
- AccessHealth will house an SBIRT counselor provided through the 1115 Waiver and will provide referrals to this counselor based on results of CAGE questionnaire and clinician assessment.

**How will the projects demonstrate success?**

- The goals are:
  - Increase in the number of patient appointments available at the FQHC particularly in early morning/evening hours and Saturdays
  - Reduction in the number of days to third next available appointment
  - Reduction in the number of visits to the emergency department for ambulatory care sensitive conditions
  - Management of (participating) diabetic patient's HgA1c, thereby reducing the proportion of out of control HgA1c levels
  - Increase in recognition of substance use and treatment provided or referred.
  - Increase in the number of uninsured individuals receiving colonoscopy screening
- Specific process and outcome targets are determined through the 1115 Waiver process in collaboration with the Regional Anchor, the Texas HHHSC and CMS.

# EXHIBIT B

# EXHIBIT II



## Overview of DSRIP Projects-Fort Bend County

### Primary Care Projects

#### 1. Care Coordination

Fort Bend County's uninsured/ under-insured population (Indigent Health Care), Medicaid patients who are frequent and/or inappropriate users of the County Emergency Medical Service (EMS) and hospital Emergency Departments (EDs) or who have repeat admissions to the hospital within a short period of time, are referred into a Care Coordination (patient navigation) system at AccessHealth.

Care coordination includes:

- Assistance with making and keeping outpatient appointments.
- Assistance with medication needs and medication compliance.
- Appropriate case management of chronic conditions.
- Dietary and exercise education.
- Transportation if needed.
- Connection to Social Service agencies for other needs.
- Colonoscopy screenings and education.

Total Budget Allocation: **\$341,342**

Staff included: **Program Supervisor (.5 FTE), LVN (1 FTEs), CHW (3 FTEs), Nutritionists (1 FTEs)**

#### 2. Expanded Hours

The expanded hours project extends the hours of operation at AccessHealth to accommodate the expected increase in use by uninsured/ under-insured populations (Indigent Health Care) and Medicaid patients who are referred into the clinic from the 1115 Waiver projects within Fort Bend County.

This project enhances the capacity of the FQHC to respond to the number of clients anticipated to be referred in to the FQHC by increasing the hours of the clinic to a consistent 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM Monday through Friday schedule and 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM all Saturdays.

Total Budget Allocation: **\$365,148**

Staff included: **Nurse Practitioners (1.5 FTEs), LVN (0.5 FTEs), Medical Assistants (2 FTEs)**

#### 3. Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT)

This project encompasses the enhancement and integration of behavioral health services into a primary care setting for the Medicaid, under-insured and uninsured population at AccessHealth, the local Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC). SBIRT's early intervention approach targets those with non-dependent substance use to provide effective strategies for intervention prior to the need for more extensive or specialized treatment. This approach is designed to detect



current health problems related to at-risk alcohol and substance use at an early stage before they result in more serious disease or other health problems.

Total Budget Allocation: **\$83,962**

Staff included: **SBIRT Counselor (1 FTE)**

#### **4. NACCHO MIP Grant Assistance**

AccessHealth will provide expert consultation on the Bridging EPR, DI, MCH and BD grant for emergency preparedness for pregnant women and women with infants during a communicable disease emergency. AccessHealth will assign staff to participate in all grant meetings and calls with NACCHO, will provide information regarding barriers to care for these women and resources available to them. Surveys developed by project team staff will be implemented with the CHW population and staff in the OBGYN/MCH departments of AccessHealth will undertake training regarding the inclusion of pregnant women and women with infants in emergency planning for infectious disease outbreaks.

Total Budget Allocation: **\$10,000**

Consulting Fee: **\$10,000**

Total Budget for CY2023: **\$800,452**