

**SIGNATURE DOCUMENT FOR
DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES
CONTRACT NO. 537-18-0187-00001
UNDER THE
CITIES READINESS INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM**

I. PURPOSE

The Department of State Health Services ("System Agency"), a pass-through entity, and Fort Bend County Health and Human Services ("Grantee") (each a "Party" and collectively the "Parties") enter into the following grant contract to provide funding for activities in support of the Cities Readiness Initiative ("CRI") under the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Cooperative Agreement (the "Contract").

II. LEGAL AUTHORITY

This Contract is authorized by and in compliance with the provisions of Texas Government Code Chapter 791 and Section 319C-1 of the Public Health Services Act (47 USC § 247d-3a), as amended.

II. DURATION

The Contract is effective on **July 1, 2017** and terminates on **June 30, 2018**, unless renewed or terminated pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Contract. The System Agency, at its own discretion, may extend this Contract subject to terms and conditions mutually agreeable to both Parties.

III. BUDGET

The total amount of this Contract will not exceed **ONE HUNDRED FORTY-TWO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTEEN DOLLARS (\$142,618.00)**. All expenditures under the Contract will be in accordance with **ATTACHMENT B, BUDGET**.

Funding for this Contract is dependent on State Appropriations and Federal Grant funds. No work may begin and no charges may be incurred until the System Agency issues a written notice to proceed to Grantee. This Notice to Proceed may include an Amended or Ratified Budget which will be incorporated into this Contract by a subsequent Amendment, as necessary.

IV. CONTRACT REPRESENTATIVES

The following will act as the Representative authorized to administer activities under this Contract on behalf of their respective Party.

System Agency

Department of State Health Services
1100 W. 49th Street, MC 1990
Austin, Texas 78756
Attention: Deserie Burrell
Deserie.burrell@dshs.texas.gov

Grantee

Fort Bend County Health and Human Services
4520 Reading Road, Suite A-100
Rosenberg, Texas 77471
Attention: Jenetha Jones
Jenetha.jones@fortbendcountytexas.gov

V. LEGAL NOTICES

Any legal notice required under this Contract shall be deemed delivered when deposited by the System Agency either in the United States mail, postage paid, certified, return receipt requested; or with a common carrier, overnight, signature required, to the appropriate address below:

System Agency

Department of State Health Services
Attention: Lisa Hernandez
1100 W. 49th Street, MC 1911
Austin, TX 78756

Grantee

Fort Bend County Health and Human Services
4520 Reading Road, Suite A-100
Rosenberg, Texas 77471
Attention: Jenetha Jones
Jenetha.jones@fortbendcountytexas.gov

Notice given by Grantee will be deemed effective when received by the System Agency. Either Party may change its address for notice by written notice to the other Party.

VI. ADDITIONAL GRANT INFORMATION

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN): To Be Determined
Federal Award Date: July 1, 2017
Name of Federal Awarding Agency: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CFDA Name and Number: 93.074
Awarding Official Contact Information: To Be Determined

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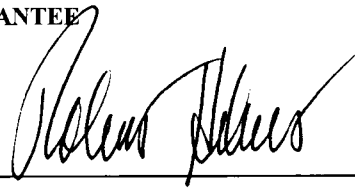
In accordance with 2 CFR 200.331(A), if any of the above information is not available at time of contract execution, then it will be provided to the Grantee by a Technical Guidance Letter.

SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS

SIGNATURE PAGE FOR SYSTEM AGENCY CONTRACT No. 537-18-0187-00001

DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES

GRANTEE



David Gruber

Name: Jenetha Jones /Robert Hebert

Associate Commissioner
Division for Regional and Local Health

Title: County Judge

Date of execution: _____

Date of execution: 4/4/2017

THE FOLLOWING ATTACHMENTS TO SYSTEM AGENCY CONTRACT No. 537-18-0187-00001 ARE HEREBY INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE:

ATTACHMENT A - STATEMENT OF WORK
ATTACHMENT B - BUDGET
ATTACHMENT C - UNIFORM TERMS AND CONDITIONS
ATTACHMENT D - SUPPLEMENTAL & SPECIAL CONDITIONS
ATTACHMENT E - FEDERAL ASSURANCES AND CERTIFICATIONS
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ATTACHMENT A STATEMENT OF WORK

I. GRANTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

Grantee will:

- A.** Perform activities in Fort Bend County (hereinafter the "Jurisdiction") in support of the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Cooperative Agreement from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and further Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) program to comply with the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Cooperative Agreement's capabilities-based approach. The Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) requirements support the Medical Countermeasure Dispensing and Medical Materiel Management and Distribution capabilities. The CRI supports medical countermeasure distribution and dispensing for all-hazards events.
- B.** Coordinate activities and response plans within the Jurisdiction with the state, regional and other local jurisdictions, among local agencies and with hospitals and major health care entities, jurisdictional Metropolitan Medical Response Systems, and Councils of Government.
- C.** Cooperate with System Agency to coordinate all planning, training, and exercises performed under this Contract with the State of Texas, Texas Division of Emergency Management of the State of Texas, or other points-of-contact at the discretion of the division, to ensure consistency and coordination of requirements at the local level and eliminate duplication of effort between the various domestic preparedness funding sources in the state.
- D.** Utilize the Texas Medical Countermeasure (MCM) Strategy Document, as amended, to develop and execute plans, thus preparing the Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) to provide medical countermeasures to the identified population during a large-scale public health emergency. The Texas MCM Strategy Document is available at: <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/commprep/sns.aspx> or by contacting the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) Central Office Team at SNS@dshs.texas.gov. To accomplish this, Grantee will meet the planning and operational standards as outlined in Sections I(B)-(K) of this Contract, and the current Operational Readiness Review (ORR) Tool, as amended, that applies to the following Public Health Emergency Preparedness Capabilities:
 - 1. Primary Capabilities:
 - a) Capability 8: Medical Countermeasure Dispensing
 - b) Capability 9: Medical Materiel Management and Distribution.
 - 2. Support Capabilities:
 - a) Capability 1: Community Preparedness
 - b) Capability 3: Emergency Operations Coordination
 - c) Capability 4: Emergency Public Information and Warning

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- d) Capability 6: Information Sharing
 - e) Capability 14: Responder Safety and Health
 - f) Capability 15: Volunteer Management.
- B.** Conduct all exercises and training in accordance with Homeland Security Exercise Evaluation Program (HSEEP) guidance.
- C.** Complete and submit the Operational Readiness Review (ORR) provided by System Agency to System Agency SNS SharePoint twenty (20) business days prior to review.
- D.** Provide updated Point of Dispensing (POD) standards data for submission to System Agency SNS SharePoint by April 1, 2018.
- E.** Perform and submit metrics on three (3) different SNS operation drills (at pre-identified POD locations and existing call down rosters) and submit After Action Review/Improvement Plan (AAR/IP) sixty (60) days after completion of the drill or by April 1, 2018. Submit AAR/IP to the System Agency SNS SharePoint Site by April 1, 2018. Acceptable timeframe from completed data sheets and AAR/IP for submission is from July 1, 2017 to April 1, 2018. Acceptable drills include:
- 1. Staff Call Down;
 - 2. Facility Set-up;
 - 3. POD Activation;
 - 4. Dispensing Throughput; and
 - 5. RealOpt usage;
- F.** Submit a current multi-year training & exercise plan that covers FY18 through FY23 to System Agency within an established timeframe designated by System Agency.
- G.** Conduct one (1) dispensing Full Scale Exercise (FSE) within the designated CRI/MSA planning areas within the 2017 to 2022 performance period. The FSE must include the hospital or health care coalition component. Grantee must conduct exercise in accordance with System Agency/CDC full scale exercise requirements. Grantee will submit to System Agency a written exercise notification sixty (60) days prior to the exercise. A joint AAR/IP must be submitted within sixty (60) days of the exercise to the System Agency Preparedness Exercise team inbox (preparednessexercise@dshs.state.tx.us). The AAR/IP must also include a corrective action plan. This exercise must be a functional exercise or a full-scale exercise.
- H.** Have plans, processes, and training in place to meet NIMS compliance requirements.
- I.** If using volunteers as provided for in this Contract during FY18, which encompasses the contract term of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, then the Grantee must either:
- 1. Request access to the TDVR from the State ESAR-VHP System Administrator, and enter all volunteer data into the system using the Intermedix

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Data Input Form and submit the form to the State ESAR-VHP System Administrator; or

2. Petition System Agency in writing for an exemption from using the TDVR. Successful petitioners must be currently using a fully operational, ESAR-VHP compliant, web-based volunteer management system that meets the following federal requirements:

- a) Must offer Internet-based registration;
- b) Volunteer information is collected and maintained in a manner consistent with all Federal, State and Local laws governing security and confidentiality;
- c) Must be able to register and collect the credentials and qualifications of health professionals that are then verified with the issuing entity or appropriate authority
- d) Must be able to verify the credentials of the 20 mandated professions;
- e) Must be able to assign to one of four emergency credential levels;
- f) Must be able to identify volunteers willing to participate in a federally coordinated emergency response;
- g) Must be able to re-verify professional credentials every 6 months
- h) Must have the ability to include the differing scope of work information for each of the 20 mandated professions;
- i) Must be able to record All volunteer health professional affiliations; and
- j) Must be able to verify that all volunteers across all credential levels not be included on the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Inspector General's List of Excluded Individuals/Entities (LEIE).
- k) Additionally, the fully operational ESAR-VHP compliant, web-based volunteer management system must be able to register, collect, and verify the credentials and qualifications of the following health professionals entered into the system.

J. Submit programmatic reports as directed by System Agency in a format specified by System Agency and as needed to satisfy information-sharing requirements set forth in Texas Government Code, Sections 421.071 and 421.072 (b) and (c), as amended. Grantee will provide System Agency other reports, including financial reports, and any other reports that System Agency determines necessary to accomplish the objectives of this Contract and to monitor compliance.

K. Complete an end-of-year performance report in a format specified by System Agency no later than August 15, 2018.

L. In the event of a local, state, or federal emergency the Grantee has the authority to utilize

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approximately five percent (5%) of the Grantee's staff's time supporting this Contract for response efforts. System Agency will reimburse Grantee up to five percent of this Contract funded by Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for personnel costs responding to an emergency event. Grantee will maintain records to document the time spent on response efforts for auditing purposes. Allowable activities also include participation of drills and exercises in the pre-event time period. Grantee will notify the Assigned Contract Manager in writing when this provision is implemented.

- M. In the event of a public health emergency involving a portion of the state, mobilize and dispatch staff or equipment purchased with funds from the previous PHEP cooperative agreement and that are not performing critical duties in the jurisdiction served to the affected area of the state upon receipt of a written request from System Agency.
- N. Develop, implement and maintain a timekeeping system for accurately documenting staff time and salary expenditures for all staff funded through this Contract including partial full-time employees and temporary staff.
- O. Match funds awarded for this Contract by costs or third-party contributions that are not paid by the Federal Government under another award, except where authorized by Federal statute to be used for cost sharing or matching. The non-federal contributions (match) may be provided directly or through donations from public or private entities and may be in cash or in-kind donations, fairly evaluated, including plant, equipment, or services. The costs that the Grantee incurs in fulfilling the matching or cost-sharing requirement are subject to the same requirements, including the cost principles, that are applicable to the use of Federal funds, including prior approval requirements and other rules for allowable costs as described in 45 CFR 74.23 and 92.24.

Grantee will provide matching funds for this Contract not less than ten-percent (10%) of the Contract amount as set forth in **Attachment B, Budget**. Cash match is defined as an expenditure of cash by the Grantee on allowable costs of this Contract that are borne by the Grantee. In-kind match is defined as the dollar value of non-cash contributions by a third party given in goods, commodities, or services that are used in activities that benefit this Contract's project and that are contributed by non-federal third parties without charge to the Grantee. The criteria for match must:

1. Be an allowable cost under the applicable federal cost principle;
2. Be necessary and reasonable for the efficient accomplishment of project or program objectives;
3. Be verifiable within the Grantee's (or subcontractor's) records;
4. Be documented, including methods and sources, in the approved budget (applies only to cost reimbursement Contracts);
5. Not be included as contributions toward any other federally-assisted project or program (match can count only once);
6. Not be paid by the Federal Government under another award, except where

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- authorized by Federal statute to be used for cost sharing or match;
7. Conform to other provisions of governing circulars/statutes/regulations as applicable for the Contract;
 8. Be adequately documented;
 9. Must follow procedures for generally accepted accounting practices as well as meet audit requirements; and
 10. Value the in-kind contributions reported and must be supported by documentation reflecting the use of goods and/or services during the Contract term.
- P.** Not use funds for fundraising activities, lobbying, research, construction, major renovations and reimbursement of pre-award costs, clinical care, purchase of vehicles of any kind, funding an award to another party or provider who is ineligible, backfilling costs for staff or the purchase of incentive items.
- Q.** Initiate the purchase of approved equipment no later than June 30, 2018, as documented by issue of a purchase order or written order confirmation from the vendor on or before June 30, 2018. In addition, all equipment and supplies must be received by Grantee not later than forty-five (45) calendar days following the end of the Contract term.
- R.** Comply with the following documents and resources, as amended, which are incorporated by reference and made a part of this Contract:
1. Planning Guidance Public Health Preparedness Capabilities: National Standards for State and Local Planning, March 2011:
http://www.cdc.gov/phpr/capabilities/DSLR_capabilities_July.pdf;
 2. Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) Documents:
<https://www.llis.dhs.gov/HSEEP>;
 3. Preparedness program guidance(s) as provided by System Agency and CDC;
 4. Receiving, Distributing, and Dispensing Strategic National Stockpile Assets: A Guide to Preparedness Version 11: System Agency SNS SharePoint site, Shared Documents/SNS Program Resources & Guidance/2017-2018_SNS Program Requirements;
 5. CDC Public Health Emergency Preparedness Cooperative Agreement, Medical Countermeasure Reference Guide; and
 6. Medical Countermeasure Operations Readiness Strategy 2014-2017,
<https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/commprep/sns/MCM-Operational-Readiness-Strategy-FINAL/>.
 7. System Agency and CDC Public Health Emergency Preparedness Cooperative Agreement, Funding Opportunity Number: CDC-RFA-TP12-120104CONT15;
 8. Presidential Policy Directive 8/PPD-8, March 30, 2011:
<http://www.hlswatch.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/04/PPD-8-Preparedness.pdf>;
 9. Community Preparedness Section Exercise Team Web Site:
<http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/commprep/exercises.aspx>; and
 10. Ready or Not? Have a Plan; Surviving Disaster: How Texans Prepare (videos):

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<http://www.texasprepares.org/survivingdisaster.htm>.

- S. Comply with all applicable federal and state laws, rules, and regulations, as amended, including, but not limited to, the following:
1. Public Law 107-188, Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002;
 2. Public Law 113-05, Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Reauthorization Act; and
 3. Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 81.

II. PERFORMANCE MEASURES

- A. The System Agency will monitor the Grantee's performance of the requirements in Attachment A and compliance with the Contract's terms and conditions.
- B. Grantee will meet and report performance measures based on requirements that are developed in coordination with System Agency for the Grantee's project as provided in Section I. Grantee must also demonstrate adherence to PHEP reporting deadline and the capability to receive, stage, store, distribute, and dispense materiel during a public health emergency. Failure to meet these requirements may result in withholding a portion of the current fiscal year PHEP base award.
- C. System Agency will send a requirements schedule for reporting these Performance Measures within thirty (30) days of the Contract start date.

III. INVOICE AND PAYMENT

- A. Grantee will request reimbursement using the State of Texas Purchase Voucher (Form B-13) at <http://www.dshs.texas.gov/grants/forms.shtm>. Voucher and supporting documentation will be mailed or submitted by fax or electronic mail to the address/number below. Additionally, the Grantee will submit the Financial Status Report (FSR-269A) and the Match Certification Form (B-13A). Vouchers, supporting documentation, Financial Status Reports, and Match Certification Forms should be mailed or emailed to the addresses below:

Department of State Health Services
Claims Processing Unit, MC 1940
1100 West 49th Street
P.O. Box 149347
Austin, TX 78714-9347
FAX: (512) 458-7442
EMAIL: invoices@dshs.state.tx.us

B-13, B-13A, and supporting documentation should be emailed to:
invoices@dshs.state.tx.us & php.vouchersupport@dshs.state.tx.us

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FSR should be emailed to: invoices@dshs.state.tx.us,
php.vouchersupport@dshs.state.tx.us & FSRGrants@dshs.state.tx.us

- B. Grantee will be reimbursed on a monthly basis and in accordance with the Budget in **Attachment B** of this Contract.
- C. System Agency reserves the right, where allowed by legal authority, to redirect funds in the event of financial shortfall. System Agency Program will monitor Grantee's expenditures on a quarterly basis. If expenditures are below that projected in Grantee's total contract amount as approved for this Contract, Grantee's budget may be subject to a decrease for the remainder of the Contract term. Vacant positions existing after ninety (90) days may result in a decrease in funds.
- D. Grantee may request a one-time working capital advance not to exceed twelve percent (12%) of the total amount of the Contract funded by DSHS. All advances must be expended by the end of the contract term. Advances not expended by the end of the contract term must be refunded to DSHS. Grantee will repay all or part of advance funds at any time during the Contract's term. However, if the advance has not been repaid prior to the last three months of the Contract term, the Grantee must deduct at least one-third of the remaining advance from each of the last three months' reimbursement requests. If the advance is not repaid prior to the last three months of the Contract term, DSHS will reduce the reimbursement request by one-third of the remaining balance of the advance.

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**ATTACHMENT B
BUDGET**

Budget Categories	FY18 Budget Summary
Personnel	\$43,451.00
Fringe Benefits	\$19,464.00
Travel	\$3,039.00
Equipment	\$0.00
Supplies	\$6,383.00
Contractual	\$72,000.00
Other	\$12,552.00
Sum of Direct Costs	\$156,889.00
Indirect Costs	\$0.00
Sum of Total Direct Costs and Indirect Costs	\$156,889.00
Less Match (Cash or In-Kind)	\$14,271.00
TOTAL	\$142,618.00

Grantee shall provide match funds in the amount of **\$14,271.00**.

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ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETIVE PROVISIONS

1.01 Definitions

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

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

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

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

“Deliverable” means the work product(s) required to be submitted to the System Agency including all reports and project documentation.

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

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

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

“GAAP” means Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

“GASB” means the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

“Grantee” means the Party receiving funds under this Contract, if any. May also be referred to as "Contractor" in certain attachments.

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

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

“Intellectual Property” means inventions and business processes, whether or not patentable; works of authorship; trade secrets; trademarks; service marks; industrial designs; and creations

that are subject to potential legal protection incorporated in any Deliverable and first created or developed by Grantee, Grantee's contractor or a subcontractor in performing the Project.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

1.02 Interpretive Provisions

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

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

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

ARTICLE II PAYMENT METHODS AND RESTRICTIONS

2.01 Payment Methods

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

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

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

2.02 Final Billing Submission

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

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

2.03 Financial Status Reports (FSRs)

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

2.04 Debt to State and Corporate Status

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

2.05 Application of Payment Due

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

2.06 Use of Funds

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

2.07 Use for Match Prohibited

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

2.08 Program Income

Income directly generated from funds provided under this Contract or earned only as a result of such funds is Program Income. Unless otherwise required under the Program, Grantee shall use the addition alternative, as provided in UGMS § __.25(g)(2), for the use of Project income to further the Program, and Grantee shall spend the Program Income on the Project. Grantee shall identify and report this income in accordance with the Contract, applicable law, and any programmatic guidance. Grantee shall expend Program Income during the Contract term and may not carry Program Income forward to any succeeding term. Grantee shall refund program income to the System Agency if the Program Income is not expended in the term in which it is earned. The System Agency may base future funding levels, in part, upon Grantee's proficiency in identifying, billing, collecting, and reporting Program Income, and in using it for the purposes and under the conditions specified in this Contract.

2.09 Nonsupplanting

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

ARTICLE III. STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING

3.01 Funding

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

3.02 No debt Against the State

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

3.03 Debt to State

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

3.04 Recapture of Funds

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

ARTICLE IV ALLOWABLE COSTS AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

4.01 Allowable Costs.

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

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

OMB Circulars will be applied with the modifications prescribed by UGMS with effect given to whichever provision imposes the more stringent requirement in the event of a conflict.

4.02 Independent Single or Program-Specific Audit

If Grantee, within Grantee's fiscal year, expends a total amount of at least SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$750,000) in federal funds awarded, Grantee shall have a single audit or program-specific audit in accordance with 2 CFR 200. The \$750,000 federal threshold amount includes federal funds passed through by way of state agency awards. If Grantee, within Grantee's fiscal year, expends a total amount of at least \$750,000 in state funds awarded, Grantee must have a single audit or program-specific audit in accordance with UGMS, State of Texas Single Audit Circular. The audit must be conducted by an independent certified public accountant and in accordance with 2 CFR 200, Government Auditing Standards, and UGMS. For-profit Grantees whose expenditures meet or exceed the federal or state expenditure thresholds stated above shall follow the guidelines in 2 CFR 200 or UGMS, as applicable, for their program-specific audits. HHSC Single Audit Services will notify Grantee to complete the Single Audit Determination Form. If Grantee fails to complete the Single Audit Determination Form within thirty (30) calendar days after notification by HHSC Single Audit Services to do so, Grantee shall be subject to the System Agency sanctions and remedies for non-compliance with this Contract. Each Grantee that is required to obtain a single audit must competitively re-procure single audit services once every six years. Grantee shall procure audit services in compliance with this section, state procurement procedures, as well as with the provisions of UGMS.

4.03 Submission of Audit

Due the earlier of 30 days after receipt of the independent certified public accountant's report or nine months after the end of the fiscal year, Grantee shall submit electronically, one copy of the Single Audit or Program-Specific Audit to the System Agency as directed in this Contract and another copy to: single_audit_report@hhsc.state.tx.us

ARTICLE V AFFIRMATIONS, ASSURANCES AND CERTIFICATIONS

5.01 General Affirmations

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

5.02 Federal Assurances

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

5.03 Federal Certifications

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

ARTICLE VI OWNERSHIP AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

6.01 Ownership

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

6.02 Intellectual Property

- a. The System Agency and Grantee will retain ownership, all rights, title, and interest in and to, their respective pre-existing Intellectual Property. A license to either Party's pre-existing Intellectual Property must be agreed to under this or another contract.
- b. Grantee grants to the System Agency and the State of Texas a royalty-free, paid up, worldwide, perpetual, non-exclusive, non-transferable license to use any Intellectual Property invented or created by Grantee, Grantee's contractor, or a subcontractor in the performance of the Project. Grantee will require its contractors to grant such a license under its contracts.

ARTICLE VII RECORDS, AUDIT, AND DISCLOSURE

7.01 Books and Records

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

7.02 Access to records, books, and documents

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

the right of access to, and examination of, sites and information related to this Contract in any Subcontract it awards.

7.03 Response/compliance with audit or inspection findings

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

7.04 SAO Audit

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

7.05 Confidentiality

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

7.06 Public Information Act

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

ARTICLE VIII CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AND EARLY TERMINATION

8.01 Contract Management

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

- a. Suspending all or part of the Contract;

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

8.02 Termination for Convenience

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

8.03 Termination for Cause

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

a. Material Breach

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

b. Failure to Maintain Financial Viability

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

8.04 Equitable Settlement

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

ARTICLE IX MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

9.01 Amendment

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

9.02 Insurance

Unless otherwise specified in this Contract, Grantee will acquire and maintain, for the duration of this Contract, insurance coverage necessary to ensure proper fulfillment of this Contract and potential liabilities thereunder with financially sound and reputable insurers licensed by the Texas Department of Insurance, in the type and amount customarily carried within the industry as determined by the System Agency. Grantee will provide evidence of insurance as required

under this Contract, including a schedule of coverage or underwriter's schedules establishing to the satisfaction of the System Agency the nature and extent of coverage granted by each such policy, upon request by the System Agency. In the event that any policy is determined by the System Agency to be deficient to comply with the terms of this Contract, Grantee will secure such additional policies or coverage as the System Agency may reasonably request or that are required by law or regulation. If coverage expires during the term of this Contract, Grantee must produce renewal certificates for each type of coverage.

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

9.03 Legal Obligations

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

9.04 Permitting and Licensure

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

9.05 Indemnity

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

- a. GRANTEE'S PERFORMANCE OF THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING ANY NEGLIGENT ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF GRANTEE, OR ANY AGENT, EMPLOYEE, SUBCONTRACTOR, OR SUPPLIER OF GRANTEE, OR ANY THIRD PARTY UNDER THE CONTROL OR SUPERVISION OF GRANTEE, IN THE EXECUTION OR PERFORMANCE OF THIS CONTRACT; OR**
- b. ANY BREACH OR VIOLATION OF A STATUTE, ORDINANCE, GOVERNMENTAL REGULATION, STANDARD, RULE, OR BREACH OF CONTRACT BY GRANTEE, ANY AGENT, EMPLOYEE, SUBCONTRACTOR, OR SUPPLIER OF GRANTEE, OR ANY THIRD PARTY UNDER THE CONTROL OR SUPERVISION OF GRANTEE, IN THE EXECUTION OR PERFORMANCE OF THIS CONTRACT; OR**
- c. EMPLOYMENT OR ALLEGED EMPLOYMENT, INCLUDING CLAIMS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST GRANTEE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS AGENTS; OR**

- d. WORK UNDER THIS CONTRACT THAT INFRINGES OR MISAPPROPRIATES ANY RIGHT OF ANY THIRD PERSON OR ENTITY BASED ON COPYRIGHT, PATENT, TRADE SECRET, OR OTHER INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS.**

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

9.06 Assignments

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

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

9.07 Relationship of the Parties

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

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

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

9.08 Technical Guidance Letters

In the sole discretion of the System Agency, and in conformance with federal and state law, the System Agency may issue instructions, clarifications, or interpretations as may be required during Work performance in the form of a Technical Guidance Letter. A TGL must be in

writing, and may be delivered by regular mail, electronic mail, or facsimile transmission. Any TGL issued by the System Agency will be incorporated into the Contract by reference herein for all purposes when it is issued.

9.09 Governing Law and Venue

This Contract and the rights and obligations of the Parties hereto will be governed by, and construed according to, the laws of the State of Texas, exclusive of conflicts of law provisions. Venue of any suit brought under this Contract will be in a court of competent jurisdiction in Travis County, Texas unless otherwise elected by the System Agency. Grantee irrevocably waives any objection, including any objection to personal jurisdiction or the laying of venue or based on the grounds of forum non conveniens, which it may now or hereafter have to the bringing of any action or proceeding in such jurisdiction in respect of this Contract or any document related hereto.

9.10 Severability

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

9.11 Survivability

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

9.12 Force Majeure

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

9.13 No Waiver of Provisions

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

9.14 Publicity

Except as provided in the paragraph below, Grantee must not use the name of, or directly or indirectly refer to, the System Agency, the State of Texas, or any other State agency in any media release, public announcement, or public disclosure relating to the Contract or its subject

matter, including in any promotional or marketing materials, customer lists, or business presentations.

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

9.15 Prohibition on Non-compete Restrictions

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

9.16 No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity

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

9.17 Entire Contract and Modification

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

9.18 Counterparts

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

9.19 Proper Authority

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

9.20 Employment Verification

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

9.21 Civil Rights

- a. Grantee agrees to comply with state and federal anti-discrimination laws, including:
 1. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §2000d *et seq.*);
 2. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. §794);
 3. Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. §12101 *et seq.*);
 4. Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107);
 5. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1688);
 6. Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. §2011 *et seq.*); and

7. The System Agency's administrative rules, as set forth in the Texas Administrative Code, to the extent applicable to this Agreement.

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

- b. Grantee agrees to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and its implementing regulations at 45 C.F.R. Part 80 or 7 C.F.R. Part 15, prohibiting a contractor from adopting and implementing policies and procedures that exclude or have the effect of excluding or limiting the participation of clients in its programs, benefits, or activities on the basis of national origin. State and federal civil rights laws require contractors to provide alternative methods for ensuring access to services for applicants and recipients who cannot express themselves fluently in English. Grantee agrees to take reasonable steps to provide services and information, both orally and in writing, in appropriate languages other than English, in order to ensure that persons with limited English proficiency are effectively informed and can have meaningful access to programs, benefits, and activities.
- c. Grantee agrees to post applicable civil rights posters in areas open to the public informing clients of their civil rights and including contact information for the HHS Civil Rights Office. The posters are available on the HHS website at: <http://hhscx.hhsc.texas.gov/system-support-services/civil-rights/publications>
- d. Grantee agrees to comply with Executive Order 13279, and its implementing regulations at 45 C.F.R. Part 87 or 7 C.F.R. Part 16. These provide in part that any organization that participates in programs funded by direct financial assistance from the United States Department of Agriculture or the United States Department of Health and Human Services shall not discriminate against a program beneficiary or prospective program beneficiary on the basis of religion or religious belief.
- e. Upon request, Grantee will provide HHSC Civil Rights Office with copies of all of the Grantee's civil rights policies and procedures.
- f. Grantee must notify HHSC's Civil Rights Office of any civil rights complaints received relating to its performance under this Agreement. This notice must be delivered no more than ten (10) calendar days after receipt of a complaint. Notice provided pursuant to this section must be directed to:

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

TTY Toll Free: (877) 432-7232
Fax: (512) 438-5885.

**ATTACHMENT D
SUPPLEMENTAL AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

SUPPLEMENTAL CONDITIONS

The following supplemental conditions apply to this Contract and modify Attachment C, HHS Uniform Terms and Conditions - Grant:

A. Section 7.02, Records, Audit and Disclosure, is revised to include the following:

In addition to the site visits authorized by this Article of the Uniform Terms and Conditions, Grantee will allow System Agency to conduct on-site quality assurance reviews of Grantee. Grantee will comply with all System Agency documentation requests and on-site visits. Grantee will make available for review all documents related to the Contract, upon request by the System Agency Program staff.

B. The following sections of the Uniform Terms and Conditions do not apply to interlocal contracts authorized under Texas Government Code Chapter 791:

1. Section 2.04, Debt to State and Corporate Status; and
2. Section 2.05, Application of Payment Due.

C. Section 9.02, Insurance, is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

9.02 Insurance

Pursuant to Chapter 2259 of the Texas Government Code entitled, "Self-Insurance by Governmental Unity," each Party is self-insured and, therefore, is not required to purchase insurance.

D. Section 9.05, Indemnity, is hereby amended by adding the following:

System Agency acknowledges that Grantee has been organized pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, possesses certain rights and privileges, is subject to certain limitations and restrictions, and only has such authority as is granted to it under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas. No provision of this Contract extends Grantee's liability beyond the liability or authority provided in the Constitution and the laws of the State of Texas.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

SECTION 1.01 NOTICE OF CONTRACT ACTION

Grantee shall notify their assigned contract manager if Grantee has had any contract suspended or terminated for cause by any local, state or federal department or agency or nonprofit entity within five days of becoming aware of the action and include the following:

- a. Reason for such action;

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

SECTION 1.02 NOTICE OF BANKRUPTCY

Grantee shall notify in writing its assigned contract manager of its plan to seek bankruptcy protection within five days of such action by Grantee.

SECTION 1.03 NOTICE OF CRIMINAL ACTIVITY AND DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

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

SECTION 1.04 GRANTEE'S NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE OF CONTACT PERSON OR KEY PERSONNEL

The Grantee shall notify in writing their contract manager assigned within ten days of any change to the Grantee's Contact Person or Key Personnel.

SECTION 1.05 DISASTER SERVICES

In the event of a local, state, or federal emergency, including natural, man-made, criminal, terrorist, and/or bioterrorism events, declared as a state disaster by the Governor, or a federal disaster by the appropriate federal official, Grantee may be called upon to assist the System Agency in providing the following services:

- a. Community evacuation;
- b. Health and medical assistance;
- c. Assessment of health and medical needs;
- d. Health surveillance;
- e. Medical care personnel;
- f. Health and medical equipment and supplies;

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- g. Patient evacuation;
- h. In-hospital care and hospital facility status;
- i. Food, drug and medical device safety;
- j. Worker health and safety;
- k. Mental health and substance abuse;
- l. Public health information;
- m. Vector control and veterinary services; and
- n. Victim identification and mortuary services.

SECTION 1.06 INTERIM EXTENSION AMENDMENT

- a. Prior to or on the expiration date of this Contract, the Parties agree that this Contract can be extended as provided under this Section.
- b. The System Agency shall provide written notice of interim extension amendment to the Grantee under one of the following circumstances:
 - 1. Continue provision of services in response to a disaster declared by the governor; or
 - 2. To ensure that services are provided to clients without interruption.
- c. The System Agency will provide written notice of the interim extension amendment that specifies the reason for it and period of time for the extension.
- d. Grantee will provide and invoice for services in the same manner that is stated in the Contract.
- e. An interim extension under Section (b)(1) above shall extend the term of the contract not longer than 30 days after governor's disaster declaration is declared unless the Parties agree to a shorter period of time.
- f. An interim extension under Section (b)(2) above shall be a one-time extension for a period of time determined by the System Agency.

SECTION 1.07 HOMELAND SECURITY AND LIABILITY

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 421.062, a Grantee that is a state or local agency and furnishes a service related to a homeland security activity, as defined in Section 421.062, is not responsible for any civil liability that arises from the furnishing of such service under this Contract where the state or local agency Grantee committed the act or omission while acting in good faith and in the course and scope of its functions.

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ASSURANCES - NON-CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

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NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee- 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and, (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.
7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
8. Will comply, as applicable, with provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.

9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333), regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
12. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. §§2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
19. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL

TITLE

County Judge

APPLICANT ORGANIZATION

DATE SUBMITTED

Fort Bend County

4/4/2017

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

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

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

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

If any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions. Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

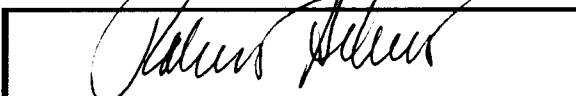
* APPLICANT'S ORGANIZATION

Fort Bend County

* PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

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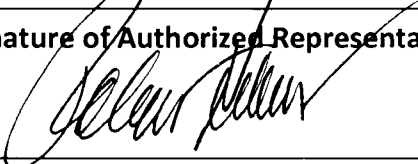
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Fiscal Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) CERTIFICATION

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

Legal Name of Contractor: Fort Bend County	FFATA Contact # 1 Name, Email and Phone Number: Robert E. Sturdivant robert.sturdivant@fortbendcountytexas.gov 281-341-3760
Primary Address of Contractor: 301 Jackson Street Richmond, Texas 77469-3108	FFATA Contact #2 Name, Email and Phone Number: Kaye Reynolds kaye.reynolds@fortbendcountytexas.gov 281-238-3519
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Printed Name of Authorized Representative Jenetha Jones/Robert Hebert	Signature of Authorized Representative 
Title of Authorized Representative County Judge	Date 4/4/2017

Fiscal Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) CERTIFICATION

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

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

If your answer is "Yes", skip questions "A", "B", and "C" and finish the certification.

If your answer is "No", answer questions "A" and "B".

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

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

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

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

If your answer is "Yes" to both question "A" and "B", you must answer question "C".

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

C. Certification Regarding Public Access to Compensation Information.

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

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

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

Provide compensation information here: