STANDARD CONTRACT FOR SERVICES

- 1. *Parties.* This is a contract for services between State of Vermont, Department for Children and Families, Economic Services Division (hereinafter called "State" or "ESD"), and Lund Family Center, Inc., with a principal place of business in Burlington, Vermont, 05406 (hereinafter called "Contractor" or "Lund"). The Contractor's form of business organization is a Corporation. It is the Contractor's responsibility to contact the Vermont Department of Taxes to determine if, by law, the Contractor is required to have a Vermont Department of Taxes Business Account Number.
- 2. *Subject Matter*. The subject matter of this contract is services generally on the subject of the Contractor providing residential treatment services, to include room and board, for pregnant and parenting individuals who have been determined eligible by the State. Detailed services to be provided by the Contractor are described in Attachment A.
- 3. *Maximum Amount*. In consideration of the services to be performed by Contractor, the State agrees to pay Contractor, in accordance with the payment provisions specified in Attachment B, a sum not to exceed \$4,213,654.90.
- 4. *Contract Term.* The period of Contractor's performance shall begin on July 1, 2023 and end on June 30, 2024.
- 5. *Prior Approvals*. This Contract shall not be binding unless and until all requisite prior approvals have been obtained in accordance with current State law, bulletins, and interpretations.
- 6. *Amendment.* No changes, modifications, or amendments in the terms and conditions of this contract shall be effective unless reduced to writing, numbered and signed by the duly authorized representative of the State and Contractor.
- 7. **Termination for Convenience.** This contract may be terminated by either Party at any time by giving written notice at least thirty (30) calendar days in advance. In such event, Contractor shall be paid under the terms of this contract for all services provided to and accepted by the State prior to the effective date of termination.
- 8. *Attachments.* This contract consists of <u>47</u> pages including the following attachments, which are incorporated herein:
 - Attachment A Scope of Work to be Performed
 - Attachment B Payment Provisions
 - Attachment C Standard State Provisions for Contracts & Grants
 - Attachment D Other Contract Provisions Including Information Technology Professional Services Requirements
 - Attachment E Business Associate Agreement
 - Attachment F AHS Customary Contract Provisions
 - Attachment G State of Vermont Federal Terms Supplement
 - Attachment H Other Contract Provisions / Reporting Forms
- 9. *Order of Precedence*. Any ambiguity, conflict, or inconsistency between the documents comprising this contract shall be resolved according to the following order of precedence:
 - 1) Standard Contract for Services

- 2) Attachment D
- 3) Attachment C
- 4) Attachment G
- 5) Attachment A
- 6) Attachment B
- 7) Attachment E
- 8) Attachment F
- 9) Attachment H

WE THE UNDERSIGNED PARTIES AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THIS CONTRACT.

STATE OF VERMONT By:

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Miranda Gray
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Miranda Gray (or Designee)
Deputy Commissioner
Department for Children and Families
Economic Services Division

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ATTACHMENT A SCOPE OF WORK TO BE PERFORMED

A. PROGRAM BACKGROUND

The Vermont Department for Children and Families' (DCF) Economic Services Division (ESD) administers several public benefit programs, including the Reach Up program, Vermont's Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program. Reach Up's vision is that families will be empowered, connected, and thriving. The mission of the Reach Up program is to join families on their journey to overcome obstacles, explore opportunities, improve their finances, and reach their goals.

At times, individuals who receive Reach Up benefits need a supported residential environment to successfully engage in treatment services for substance use and/or mental health concerns in order to stabilize their families and enhance their ability to be gainfully employed and financially self-sufficient.

B. <u>SERVICE DESCRIPTION</u>

The Contractor shall provide residential services, to include both treatment services <u>and</u> room and board, to pregnant and parenting individuals receiving Reach Up benefits who are in need of treatment and have been determined eligible by the State and their children aged 6 years and younger (hereinafter called "resident" or "residents"). This agreement in its' entirety outlines the contracted services, procedures for admission, and processes for establishing payment rates in partnership with The Division of Rate Setting and ESD.

C. <u>SERVICE GOALS & OUTCOMES</u>

Through the provision of these transitional and case coordination services and supports to residents, the Contractor shall contribute to the following goals and outcomes:

- Stabilizing families who receive Reach Up benefits and are at-risk,
- Promoting emotional and physical well-being and career readiness for residents through coordination of services, and
- Fostering the independent living skills of each resident so they will be more likely to live successfully on their own.

Through participation in these services, the residents will:

- Stabilize their treatment environment and gain skills to overcome barriers to achieving their selfidentified goals,
- Have access to safe and stable transitional housing for themselves and their children, and
- Leave Lund with the skills they need to foster positive parenting skills, live productively, have healthy relationships, and fully participate in their community.

D. SPECIFICATIONS

Licensure, Capacity, and Mandatory Technical Requirements:

<u>Placement Authorizing Departments (PADS)</u>: The Department for Children and Families (DCF) is responsible for authorizing the placement of residents in the Contractor's program.

Once pre-authorization for admission to Lund has been granted for a resident, it shall be considered valid for a period up to thirty (30) calendar days from the date of approval. After thirty (30) calendar

days have passed, admission shall require a new pre-authorization from DCF if an individual has not entered the program.

A resident who has been treated and discharged from Lund must be re-authorized in order to re-enter the program.

The Contractor is currently licensed through DCF's Family Services Division (FSD) for a capacity of 26 residents. The Contractor shall maintain this licensure through DCF's FSD throughout the contract term. This contract has a maximum capacity of 26 residents.

The Contractor shall be reimbursed for up to 26 beds for residents who are determined eligible through the Department for Children and Families' Procedures for Admission; the Procedures for Admission shall be provided to the Contractor upon execution and may be updated as required by the State during the contract term. The Contractor has an additional residential services contract with DCF FSD that covers up to 3 residents. The flexibility in these three (3) resident slots are to allow the Contractor to treat up to three (3) residents with the services specified in the contract with DCF FSD as needed, while simultaneously reducing the number of slots available to ESD under this contract. For example, if all three (3) slots are filled under the contract with DCF FSD, then there shall be only a maximum of 23 beds available to the ESD through this agreement. At no time shall the Contractor treat more than the licensed capacity of twenty-six (26) residents and at no time shall the maximum number of beds being utilized exceed 26 with all residents through the Contracts with both DCF FSD and DCF ESD.

The Contractor shall provide a building at Lund's 76 Glen Road, Burlington, VT location for the services to be performed in; this building shall meet all the safety and health requirements of the State's DCF Licensing Unit authorized and responsible for the regulation of residential treatment programs and be appropriate for the population to be served, including:

- 1. A floor plan which maximizes the Contractor's staff's ability to observe residents at all times,
- 2. Bedroom arrangements that provide for the safety and privacy needs of residents, and
- 3. Building security features designed to limit opportunities for elopement appropriate for the population being served.

The Contractor shall provide the levels of service with reference to job categories and full-time equivalent staff established in the program's approved budget.

The Contractor shall have a written Emergency Response Policy and corresponding Procedures submitted to the State within fifteen (15) calendar days of execution of this Contract and retained on file that include a method for assessing the nature of the emergency and procedures for addressing the emergency. The Contractor shall ensure that all staff members are familiar with the Policy and trained to implement the Procedures. The Policy and Procedures shall clearly define parameters to determine which emergencies are managed within the organization and which require outside resources to respond. Outside resources shall be identified in the Procedures, and working relationships shall be established and maintained with these resources, including, but not limited to, police, community mental health providers, substance use screeners, fire and medical emergency personnel, and transportation authorities.

Service Delivery & Activities:

The Contractor is responsible for the implementation of a Plan of Care for each resident. The Plan of

Care is each individual resident's specific plan for delivery of services in the Contractor's program, which shall be developed by Lund, in collaboration with the referring agency, the State, and the local team. The decision on the duration of each resident's stay shall be made by the treatment team, including the resident's Reach Up Case Manager, at a team meeting and be based upon a resident's attainment of results identified in his/her/their Plan of Care. The Contractor shall maintain specific case records for each resident, which document the delivery of services identified in the Plan of Care in a manner consistent with the requirements of the Policies and Procedures for Private Non-Medical Institutions (PNMI).

The Contractor shall prepare monthly progress reports for each resident ensuring that each designated Reach Up Case Manager has access to the information. The monthly progress reports should include progress toward treatment goals, anticipated discharge date, and a summary of team meetings.

The Contractor understands that it is best practice to involve the resident's family members. As such, family members of residents shall be included in team meetings, the case planning process, and other elements of the program, as appropriate. Documentation of any and all family involvement/contact shall be maintained in each resident's case file.

The Contractor shall provide services to maximize the opportunity for family involvement in the process, unless this contact poses a threat to the safety and well-being of the resident. These services may include arranging transportation, meeting in the family's home community, and working with the family to address barriers to regular contact and communication during visits to the program or other activities.

The Contractor shall hold meetings with each resident's designated Reach Up Case Manager, family members, program staff, and other members of the resident's team a minimum of four (4) times per year, and more frequently if necessary, based on the resident's needs. The schedule of the meetings shall be set up and distributed to team members by the Contractor within thirty (30) calendar days of each resident's admission to the program. The purpose of these meetings is to keep members of the team informed, involved, and part of a successful transition. The Contractor shall make available a summary of each meeting to all team members. The Contractor shall make every attempt to be available to attend State meetings and Hearings as requested by the State's Reach Up Case Manager.

The Contractor shall provide transportation for each resident to community services including, but not limited to, therapy, religious services, case plan reviews, recreational activities, court, and family visits and activities.

The Contractor shall provide residents physical health services, including primary care as well as pharmaceutical, dental, and emergency services through on-site practitioners or formal arrangements with community Medicaid providers. The Contractor shall additionally participate in State-sponsored training on health issues and provide health education services to residents that are appropriate to the age, gender, and developmental stage of each resident.

The Contractor shall notify the appropriate Reach Up Case Manager and other appropriate person(s) within 48 hours regarding any critical incidents such as a runaway, an accident/injury which requires emergency medical response, suicide attempts, death of resident or staff while staff on duty, physical restraint, sexual activity between residents, sexual/physical/emotional abuse allegations, incidents where police are involved, and any other reportable incidents. Telephone contact shall be followed up with written notification to the Reach Up Case Manager within 48 hours.

Contractor shall notify the Legal Guardian if the resident is a minor when it is determined that a resident has runaway for any period of time, been in an accident, or appears to have a serious illness. The Contractor shall notify Local/State police when a resident has left the property without permission.

a. Community Reintegration Responsibilities

The Contractor and the State shall successfully support each resident's successful transition and reintegration to the community.

<u>ESD Reach Up Case Manager Responsibilities</u> - The designated Reach Up Case Manager is responsible for monitoring the implementation of the Plan of Care's transition components by:

- 1. Participating in team meetings scheduled by the Contractor and the State,
- 2. Monitoring the delivery of services to the resident identified in the Case Plan, and
- 3. Coordinating with the Contractor a post-discharge community and placement plan.

<u>Contractor's Program Responsibilities</u> - The Contractor is responsible for the implementation of reintegration as described in the Plan of Care including:

- 1. Working collaboratively with each designated Reach Up Case Manager to identify potential post discharge placement resources and services to support each resident's successful return to his/her/their community following the residential placement. This process should begin no later than the date of initial placement and shall be followed by planning and treatment activities with the family and the Reach Up Case Manager in preparation for each resident's transition from the program.
- 2. Participating in team meetings both during the placement and for thirty (30) calendar days after discharge.
- 3. Providing technical assistance to families, foster families, schools, and others to support each resident's successful re-adjustment as described in each resident's Plan of Care and per the program description.

b. Admissions

When a potential resident is requesting authorization for admission to the Contractor's room and board services with payment approval through the State, the Contractor shall submit a completed pre-authorization form to the DCF Designee for confirmation of room and board funding and authorization for admission to the program.

The Contractor shall have up to ten (10) calendar days prior to admission to:

- Have applicants complete an application for Reach Up benefits (ESD Form 202), child support forms (ESD Form 137), and, if applicable, high risk pregnancy forms (ESD Form 210HRP);
- Inform applicant of other information/verification needed at the time of the interview (paystubs, citizenship & identity documents, etc.); and
- Submit completed application paperwork to the ESD Application and Documents Processing Center with Lund Family Center listed as the applicant's address.

The following applicants shall not be expected to apply for Reach Up benefits:

- Pregnant individuals with no other children who are more than thirty (30) calendar days from their anticipated due date, unless their pregnancy is considered "high risk,"
- SSI recipients,

- Individuals in the custody of DCF Family Services Division, and
- Individuals in the custody of the Commissioner of Corrections with a pre-minimum sentence.

Interviews with potential residents shall be scheduled to take place as soon as possible after each referral has been received by the Contractor. The participation of each resident's Reach Up Case Manager at interviews is encouraged.

The Contractor shall accept into its program those Reach Up participants and applicants who are referred and determined by the program to be appropriate for admission based on the criteria contained in their approved program description.

Admission/denial notifications to the referral source shall occur verbally within 3 business days of interview followed by a written notice within 10 business days. When admission is denied, the Contractor shall convey the reasons for that denial in writing within 10 business days of the interview to the referral source.

Each resident's admission date shall be set by the program upon receipt of required information/material.

The Contractor shall notify the DCF Designee of each resident's diagnosis and any changes in income, resources, or household composition.

c. Planned Discharge

While discharge planning should begin at the time of the initial placement, the period from thirty (30) calendar days prior to discharge until sixty (60) calendar days following discharge is defined as the community reintegration period for the purposes of this contract. During the community reintegration period, the focus of the Contractor's program efforts shall be on establishing each resident in a stable community placement or alternative as indicated in each individual's case plan and the Contractor shall be responsible for providing services to facilitate the resident's reintegration to their family and the discharge community as identified by the treatment team.

- 1. The decision to discharge a resident from the program shall be made by the treatment team, including the Reach Up Case Manager. This decision is to be made at a team meeting and shall be based upon the resident's attainment of the results identified in the Plan of Care.
- 2. The Contractor shall work collaboratively with designated Reach Up staff to identify discharge placement resources and services to support the resident's successful transition from the Lund Residential Treatment program.
- 3. If it is determined by the treatment team that a resident is inappropriate for the program, the Contractor or State may request removal in writing stating the reasons for termination of the placement and may request discharge in a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days' time to allow sufficient time to work with the resident on transitioning to an appropriate alternative setting. When a resident leaves a program, a copy of the discharge summary should be sent with the resident and with copies being available to the State's supervisor and assigned Reach Up Case Manager.
- 4. In the event of disagreement between the State and Contractor concerning actual date of discharge, the party requesting the earliest discharge date shall convene a team meeting and give written notice to the other party thirty (30) calendar days prior to discharge. This notice needs to include a brief description of the reasons the discharge is being requested and either

sent to the admissions director of the program (if the State is making the request) or to the State's supervisor or Reach Up Case Manager (when the program is making the request).

- 5. The Discharge Summary should be written as soon as possible and made available to the Reach Up Case Manager and Contractor. Under no circumstances should the discharge summary be made available later than each resident's planned discharge date.
- 6. Each resident shall be requested to complete a Standard Survey as an Assessment of Patient Experience of Care as part of the resident's planned discharge process within thirty (30) calendar days of discharge.
- 7. Contractor shall conduct discharge follow-up meetings in person or via phone to determine effective linkages to community-based support of residents.
- 8. The Contractor shall notify ESD when residents with Reach Up eligibility leave Lund within one business day.

d. Emergency Removal – After State Business Hours

As an important step towards improving placement stability, the Contractor may request the emergency removal of a resident from the program when the following conditions detailed below exist and the situation cannot be managed within the program as described in the Contractor's Emergency Response Policy and Procedures.

Criteria/circumstances for removal from the program:

1. The resident is experiencing a mental health crisis, has been screened by a mental health professional, and has been determined to be in need of a more intensive Program setting (e.g. Retreat/Cheshire/NFI E-bed).

And/Or

- a. Has committed an assaultive type or dangerous offense (to include sexual, physical, arson and property destruction) OR
- b. Presents a continued risk to others at that time OR
- c. Has been charged by a police officer.
- 2. The Contractor shall notify the State via email on the next business day, if a resident is removed from the program.
- 3. If a resident is removed from the program, under the above stated emergency protocols, Lund staff shall work with the family and designated community partners to ensure that the child or children of that resident have a safe and approved placement to discharge to.

In addition to the circumstances under which the Contractor may request emergency removal, the State may remove a resident immediately if the resident has been the victim of physical or sexual abuse in the facility.

e. Re-Admission to the Program

When a resident has been removed from the program by the decision of the team, either on an emergency basis or to receive services unavailable in the program (e.g. substance use treatment beyond what is provided through the program), the Contractor may elect, in consultation with the assigned Reach Up Case Manager, to re-admit the resident dependent on the availability of a bed.

Payment to the Contractor at the contract per diem rate may occur with the prior written approval of the State's Supervisor or Designee. In exchange for this payment, the Contractor shall be under obligation to hold the placement available for the return of the resident. Under no circumstances shall payment be authorized in excess of the fifteen (15) calendar days pursuant to the Division of Rate Setting rules (Vermont Private Nonmedical Institutions Rules: (V.P.N.M.I.R.)) subsection 6.2.

Contractor shall make available to all residents the full array of services outlined for the entire contract period, three hundred and sixty-five (365) calendar days, unless otherwise clearly stated in the approved program description.

The Contractor shall inform any residents in the program who are receiving services under this contract that information gathered during the course of providing services to them as well as information about services may be disclosed by the Contractor to the State.

f. Other Specifications

The Contractor shall provide the computer(s) needed to perform services under this Contract and shall ensure the security of portable devices and data, assure that any devices used during the contract will be virus and spyware protected with the most up-to-date definitions, and make every reasonable effort to ensure media or data files will be virus and spyware free. Any portable device used to store State data shall be encrypted. Data containing Personally Identifiable Information (PII), Protected Health Information (PHI, as defined in Attachment E), and/or confidential information transmitted between the Contractor and the State shall be done through a secure, encrypted method. PII is defined as any information that could distinguish or trace a person's identity, (i.e., name, social security number, unique identifiers, address, driver's license number, etc.) alone or when combined with other personal or identifying information which is linked or linkable to a specific individual.

Globalscape is the State's approved tool for transferring files via secure file transport. The user interface is web-based, with a secure login and password. Access Control is managed via individual folders utilizing role-based permissions. Users can put files, get files, or both, depending on the access granted.

As such, the Contractor shall provide the electronic data files (i.e. Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment Form) to the State through the State's Globalscape software; the State shall supply the Contractor with a username to this software. Any and all data files shall be stored by the Contractor in a folder with restricted access on a secure partition on the Contractor's network directory.

Access to and use of data containing PHI shall be monitored regularly by the Contractor to ensure only authorized activities and access to data occurs. The Contractor shall retain all data throughout the award term and then shall destroy all State data provided under this Contract and provide a signed attestation to the State to this effect within thirty (30) calendar days of the end of the award term, effective date of termination, or end of audit retention period as outlined in this Contract, whichever comes later. The Contractor's PCs, workstations, and server storage devices that contain State data files shall be sanitized using industry-approved destructive methods for destroying any data on the devices as outlined in Attachment D.

E. PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

• 100% of residents shall be sent an Assessment of Patient Experience of Care within thirty (30) calendar days of discharge to evaluate the experience of their care. Of the residents who reply, 85% of the responses shall be positive.

- 95% of monthly reports and discharge summary reports shall be maintained for State review and accessible upon request of the State. DCF Licensing shall send an annual report to ESD.
- 90% of residents shall not be readmitted for the same level of care after a successful, planned discharge from Lund as measured after thirty (30) calendar days, after ninety (90) calendar days, and after one hundred and eighty (180) calendar days. This measure shall be evaluated quarterly, for the thirty (30) calendar day, ninety (90) calendar day, and one hundred and eighty (180) calendar day data respectively.
- 100% of the time, the Contractor shall be in good standing with all DCF FSD licensing requirements.

Pursuant to Institution of Mental Disease (IMD) revising reporting requirements within the dates of this agreement, the most recent version shall be deemed the required reporting for the purposes of this agreement.

The first time the Contractor falls below 75% of any of the performance measure goals, the Reach Up Program Manager or Designee shall send a Notice Letter to the Contractor, informing them of the missed performance measure(s). The second time the Contractor falls below 75% of any of the performance measure goals, the Contractor shall develop a Corrective Action Plan in conjunction with the Reach Up Program Manager or Designee and the local ESD District Office Supervisor. The Contractor shall submit a signed Notice Letter or a completed Corrective Action Plan to the DCF Grants and Contracts Manager and Reach Up Program Manager or Designee within thirty (30) calendar days of receiving written notification of the missed performance measure(s). Continued failure to meet the minimum requirements may result in cancellation of this agreement. Ability to meet performance measures shall be taken into consideration for renewal of this agreement.

F. PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION AND EVALUATION:

The State shall monitor and evaluate the Contractor's performance based on the following: program reports, correspondence, coordination, and communication with the designated Reach Up Case Managers, and financial reports. Assistance is available to the Contractor through the DCF Grants and Contracts Manager, Reach Up Program Manager, and local ESD District Office Supervisor. The Contractor shall submit a room and board report and billing request to the DCF Designee within thirty (30) calendar days following the end of each reporting month. These Reports and Invoices contained herein are examples and may be modified from time to time as required by the State. All billing for Treatment is completed by the Contractor through State's Medicaid reimbursement provider, which is currently Gainwell Technologies LLC.

Program Reports

Complete program reports shall be submitted to the DCF Grants & Contracts Manager, the local ESD District Office Reach Up Supervisor, and the Reach Up Administrator no later than thirty (30) calendar days following the end of each month. The program reports consist of the following forms:

• Form A: IMD Performance Measure Report

Snapshots of the program report, which may be revised as required by the State, are provided in Attachment G. Electronic copies of all program reports with directions shall be provided to the Contractor upon execution of the Contract. Any questions related to the completion of the reports should be directed to the DCF Grants and Contracts Manager and the Reach Up Administrator.

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Financial Reports

Satisfactory financial reports must be submitted to the DCF Grants and Contracts Manager and the Reach Up Administrator within thirty (30) calendar days following the end of each month to receive subsequent payments. The payment and reporting schedule for services performed is included in Attachment B. The financial reports consist of the following:

• Form B: Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment

Snapshots of the financial reports, which may be revised as required by the State, are provided in Attachment G. Electronic copies of all financial reports with directions shall be provided to the Contractor upon execution of the Contract. Form B shall be submitted electronically with either an original signature or an electronic signature to the DCF Grants and Contracts Manager and the Reach Up Administrator.

The State shall notify the Contractor, if at any time during the Contract period or upon review, the State believes the Contractor is not performing the terms as outlined in this Contract. Notification may include a course of action such as a corrective action plan, a written amendment, remediation plan, or reduction in payment for failure to perform.

ATTACHMENT B PAYMENT PROVISIONS

The maximum dollar amount payable under this contract is not intended to guarantee any amount of payment. The Contractor shall be paid for products or services actually delivered or performed, as specified in Attachment A, up to the maximum allowable amount specified on page one (1) of this contract.

Prior to commencement of work and release of any payments, Contractor shall submit to the State:

- 1. a certificate of insurance consistent with the requirements set forth in Attachment C, Section 8 (Insurance), and with any additional requirements for insurance as may be set forth elsewhere in this contract; and
- 2. a current IRS Form W-9 (signed within the last six months).

Reimbursement Rates:

1. For Medicaid reimbursement, the Contractor is considered an Institute for Mental Diseases (IMD). Although the Contractor is an IMD, the Contractor agrees that its' reimbursement under this Contract shall be limited to payments set by the Division of Rate Setting pursuant to the *Methods, Standards, and Principles for Establishing Payment Rates for Private Nonmedical Institutions Providing Residential Child Care Services* (V.P.N.M.I.R.), as if it were a Private Nonmedical Institution subject to the V.P.N.M.I.R. The Contractor must maintain current certification/recertification as a Vermont Medicaid provider through the State's Medicaid reimbursement provider, currently Gainwell Technologies LLC. The Contractor shall comply with the State Medicaid Practices and Procedures (P&Ps); this document is available through the following link:

http://www.vtmedicaid.com/assets/manuals/GeneralProviderManual.pdf

- a. Pursuant to V.P.N.M.I.R., the reimbursement rate shall be a bundled per diem rate for the Contractor's services, which includes:
 - i.room and board paid through Reach Up or General Funds
 - ii.<u>treatment</u> paid through a variety of funding streams, including Medicaid and global commitment, and
 - iii.<u>education</u> paid by the Agency of Education (this portion of the rate is not included under this contract).
- b. The reimbursement rate set by the Division of Rate Setting is subject to change, and the Contractor shall use the rate in effect for the period of service, with adjustments to previous invoices as needed, up to the maximum allowable amount of this contract.
- c. An initial "interim" rate payable from the first day of the Contract Term shall be:
 - \$444.01 per bed/per day for up to 26 beds, which includes the following:
 - \$362.40 for treatment and \$81.61 for room and board.
- d. The Contractor understands and agrees that thereafter a rate shall be set by the Division of Rate Setting during the Contract Term pursuant to the V.P.N.M.I.R., and the final rate shall supersede the interim rate and be applied retroactively to services provided prior to setting of the final rate. Accordingly, the final per diem rate may be higher or lower than the interim rate. The parties shall reconcile the amount of payment due for services rendered to that point.

- e. To the extent that the final rate is less than the interim rate, the Contractor's sole recourse shall be to appeal the final rate following the processes set forth in the V.P.N.M.I.R.
- f. The ongoing Contract rate with its effective date shall be the most recent certified rate set by the Division of Rate Setting pursuant to VP.N.M.I.R. subsection 1.8(a). The certified rate, should it be subject to appeal, shall endure until replaced by the final order of the Division of Rate Setting.
- 2. The Contractor is eligible to receive payment for up to two (2) weeks (14 calendar days) after a resident is discharged if the resident left against the recommendation of Lund or as necessary due to immediate and significant safety concerns only if the bed remains unfilled. In this scenario, these room and board payments shall be covered with State General Funds, unless the resident is returning within fifteen (15) calendar days.
- 3. The number of billed residents shall be based on the actual number of beds utilized daily, which shall not exceed 26 (including all other agreements with DCF) at any time, and treatment services provided.
- 4. Residents are responsible for making payments against the Room and Board Rate. ESD shall only pay the Room and Board rate after a resident has exhausted all but \$200.00 of their own income. Some examples of income would include SSI, Child Support, and Trust Funds.

Additional Payment Provisions:

- 1. The Contractor shall submit detailed Room & Board Financial Reports / Requests for Payment on a monthly basis, including dates of service, diagnosis code, residents' names, each resident's Social Security Number, payments made by each resident, and any other information and/or documentation appropriate and sufficient to substantiate the amount invoiced for payment by the State. All Room & Board Financial Reports / Requests for Payment must include the Contract # for this agreement.
- 2. As contract award amounts are based on State and Federal Fiscal Year budgets, no payments shall be issued ninety (90) calendar days after the end of this agreement as budgets close out and funds are no longer available.
- 3. Room & Board Financial Reports / Requests for Payment must be submitted electronically as a .pdf document with either an original signature or electronic signature.
- 4. The Contractor agrees to produce, on request, the source documents upon which all invoices are based.
- 5. The reporting schedule is as follows:

Reporting Month	Report Due Date	Reports Due			
July 2023	August 30, 2023	Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment, and Program Report			
August 2023	September 30, 2023	Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment, and Program Report			
September 2023	October 30, 2023	Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment, and Program Report			

October 2023	November 30, 2023	Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment, and Program Report
November 2023	December 30, 2023	Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment, and Program Report
December 2023	January 30, 2024	Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment, and Program Report
January 2024	February 28, 2024	Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment, and Program Report
February 2024	March 30, 2024	Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment, and Program Report
March 2024	April 30, 2024	Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment, and Program Report
April 2024	May 30, 2024	Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment, and Program Report
May 2024	June 30, 2024	Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment, and Program Report
June 2024	July 30, 2024	Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment, and Program Report

- 6. The Contractor shall submit invoices for Treatment services provided under this Contract through Gainwell Technologies LLC in compliance with the State Medicaid Practices and Procedures (P&Ps).
- 7. Invoices submitted on the Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment form more than sixty (60) calendar days after the month of service may not be honored.
- 8. Payment terms are **Net 30** calendar days from the date the State receives and approves an error-free Room & Board Financial Report/Request for Payment and Program Report from the Contractor.

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CONTACT AND PAYMENT REQUEST INFORMATION

Room & Board Financial Reports/Requests for Payment and Program Reports shall be sent to:

Monika Madaras, Reach Up Program Manager, or Designee Monika.Madaras@vermont.gov

and

Katherine Fish, DCF Senior Grants & Contracts Manager, or Designee Katherine.Fish@vermont.gov

Remittance Address of Contractor:

Lund Family Center, Inc. 76 Glen Road Burlington, VT 05406

ATTACHMENT C: STANDARD STATE PROVISIONS FOR CONTRACTS AND GRANTS REVISED DECEMBER 15, 2017

- **1. Definitions:** For purposes of this Attachment, "Party" shall mean the Contractor, Grantee or Subrecipient, with whom the State of Vermont is executing this Agreement and consistent with the form of the Agreement. "Agreement" shall mean the specific contract or grant to which this form is attached.
- **2. Entire Agreement:** This Agreement, whether in the form of a contract, State-funded grant, or Federally-funded grant, represents the entire agreement between the parties on the subject matter. All prior agreements, representations, statements, negotiations, and understandings shall have no effect.
- 3. Governing Law, Jurisdiction and Venue; No Waiver of Jury Trial: This Agreement will be governed by the laws of the State of Vermont. Any action or proceeding brought by either the State or the Party in connection with this Agreement shall be brought and enforced in the Superior Court of the State of Vermont, Civil Division, Washington Unit. The Party irrevocably submits to the jurisdiction of this court for any action or proceeding regarding this Agreement. The Party agrees that it must first exhaust any applicable administrative remedies with respect to any cause of action that it may have against the State with regard to its performance under this Agreement. Party agrees that the State shall not be required to submit to binding arbitration or waive its right to a jury trial.
- **4. Sovereign Immunity:** The State reserves all immunities, defenses, rights or actions arising out of the State's sovereign status or under the Eleventh Amendment to the United States Constitution. No waiver of the State's immunities, defenses, rights or actions shall be implied or otherwise deemed to exist by reason of the State's entry into this Agreement.
- **5. No Employee Benefits For Party:** The Party understands that the State will not provide any individual retirement benefits, group life insurance, group health and dental insurance, vacation or sick leave, workers compensation or other benefits or services available to State employees, nor will the State withhold any state or Federal taxes except as required under applicable tax laws, which shall be determined in advance of execution of the Agreement. The Party understands that all tax returns required by the Internal Revenue Code and the State of Vermont, including but not limited to income, withholding, sales and use, and rooms and meals, must be filed by the Party, and information as to Agreement income will be provided by the State of Vermont to the Internal Revenue Service and the Vermont Department of Taxes.
- **6. Independence:** The Party will act in an independent capacity and not as officers or employees of the State.
- **7. Defense and Indemnity:** The Party shall defend the State and its officers and employees against all third party claims or suits arising in whole or in part from any act or omission of the Party or of any agent of the Party in connection with the performance of this Agreement. The State shall notify the Party in the event of any such claim or suit, and the Party shall immediately retain counsel and otherwise provide a complete defense against the entire claim or suit. The State retains the right to participate at its own expense in the defense of any claim. The State shall have the right to approve all proposed settlements of such claims or suits.

After a final judgment or settlement, the Party may request recoupment of specific defense costs and may file suit in Washington Superior Court requesting recoupment. The Party shall be entitled to recoup costs only upon a showing that such costs were entirely unrelated to the defense of any claim arising from an act or omission of the Party in connection with the performance of this Agreement.

The Party shall indemnify the State and its officers and employees if the State, its officers or employees become legally obligated to pay any damages or losses arising from any act or omission of the Party or an agent of the Party in connection with the performance of this Agreement.

Notwithstanding any contrary language anywhere, in no event shall the terms of this Agreement or any document furnished by the Party in connection with its performance under this Agreement obligate the State to (1) defend or indemnify the Party or any third party, or (2) otherwise be liable for the expenses or reimbursement, including attorneys' fees, collection costs or other costs of the Party or any third party.

8. Insurance: Before commencing work on this Agreement the Party must provide certificates of insurance to show that the following minimum coverages are in effect. It is the responsibility of the Party to maintain current

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certificates of insurance on file with the State through the term of this Agreement. No warranty is made that the coverages and limits listed herein are adequate to cover and protect the interests of the Party for the Party's operations. These are solely minimums that have been established to protect the interests of the State.

Workers Compensation: With respect to all operations performed, the Party shall carry workers' compensation insurance in accordance with the laws of the State of Vermont. Vermont will accept an out-of-state employer's workers' compensation coverage while operating in Vermont provided that the insurance carrier is licensed to write insurance in Vermont and an amendatory endorsement is added to the policy adding Vermont for coverage purposes. Otherwise, the party shall secure a Vermont workers' compensation policy, if necessary to comply with Vermont law.

General Liability and Property Damage: With respect to all operations performed under this Agreement, the Party shall carry general liability insurance having all major divisions of coverage including, but not limited to:

Premises - Operations

Products and Completed Operations

Personal Injury Liability

Contractual Liability

The policy shall be on an occurrence form and limits shall not be less than:

\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence

\$2,000,000 General Aggregate

\$1,000,000 Products/Completed Operations Aggregate

\$1,000,000 Personal & Advertising Injury

Automotive Liability: The Party shall carry automotive liability insurance covering all motor vehicles, including hired and non-owned coverage, used in connection with the Agreement. Limits of coverage shall not be less than \$500,000 combined single limit. If performance of this Agreement involves construction, or the transport of persons or hazardous materials, limits of coverage shall not be less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit.

Additional Insured. The General Liability and Property Damage coverages required for performance of this Agreement shall include the State of Vermont and its agencies, departments, officers and employees as Additional Insureds. If performance of this Agreement involves construction, or the transport of persons or hazardous materials, then the required Automotive Liability coverage shall include the State of Vermont and its agencies, departments, officers and employees as Additional Insureds. Coverage shall be primary and non-contributory with any other insurance and self-insurance.

Notice of Cancellation or Change. There shall be no cancellation, change, potential exhaustion of aggregate limits or non-renewal of insurance coverage(s) without thirty (30) days written prior written notice to the State.

- **9. Reliance by the State on Representations:** All payments by the State under this Agreement will be made in reliance upon the accuracy of all representations made by the Party in accordance with this Agreement, including but not limited to bills, invoices, progress reports and other proofs of work.
- **10. False Claims Act:** The Party acknowledges that it is subject to the Vermont False Claims Act as set forth in 32 V.S.A. § 630 *et seq.* If the Party violates the Vermont False Claims Act it shall be liable to the State for civil penalties, treble damages and the costs of the investigation and prosecution of such violation, including attorney's fees, except as the same may be reduced by a court of competent jurisdiction. The Party's liability to the State under the False Claims Act shall not be limited notwithstanding any agreement of the State to otherwise limit Party's liability.
- 11. Whistleblower Protections: The Party shall not discriminate or retaliate against one of its employees or agents for disclosing information concerning a violation of law, fraud, waste, abuse of authority or acts threatening health or safety, including but not limited to allegations concerning the False Claims Act. Further, the Party shall not require such employees or agents to forego monetary awards as a result of such disclosures, nor should they be required to report misconduct to the Party or its agents prior to reporting to any governmental entity and/or the public.
- **12.** Location of State Data: No State data received, obtained, or generated by the Party in connection with performance under this Agreement shall be processed, transmitted, stored, or transferred by any means outside the continental United States, except with the express written permission of the State.

- 13. Records Available for Audit: The Party shall maintain all records pertaining to performance under this agreement. "Records" means any written or recorded information, regardless of physical form or characteristics, which is produced or acquired by the Party in the performance of this agreement. Records produced or acquired in a machine readable electronic format shall be maintained in that format. The records described shall be made available at reasonable times during the period of the Agreement and for three years thereafter or for any period required by law for inspection by any authorized representatives of the State or Federal Government. If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the three-year period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims or audit findings involving the records have been resolved.
- **14. Fair Employment Practices and Americans with Disabilities Act:** Party agrees to comply with the requirement of 21 V.S.A. Chapter 5, Subchapter 6, relating to fair employment practices, to the full extent applicable. Party shall also ensure, to the full extent required by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, that qualified individuals with disabilities receive equitable access to the services, programs, and activities provided by the Party under this Agreement.
- **15. Set Off:** The State may set off any sums which the Party owes the State against any sums due the Party under this Agreement; provided, however, that any set off of amounts due the State of Vermont as taxes shall be in accordance with the procedures more specifically provided hereinafter.

16. Taxes Due to the State:

- **A.** Party understands and acknowledges responsibility, if applicable, for compliance with State tax laws, including income tax withholding for employees performing services within the State, payment of use tax on property used within the State, corporate and/or personal income tax on income earned within the State.
- **B.** Party certifies under the pains and penalties of perjury that, as of the date this Agreement is signed, the Party is in good standing with respect to, or in full compliance with, a plan to pay any and all taxes due the State of Vermont.
- **C.** Party understands that final payment under this Agreement may be withheld if the Commissioner of Taxes determines that the Party is not in good standing with respect to or in full compliance with a plan to pay any and all taxes due to the State of Vermont.
- **D.** Party also understands the State may set off taxes (and related penalties, interest and fees) due to the State of Vermont, but only if the Party has failed to make an appeal within the time allowed by law, or an appeal has been taken and finally determined and the Party has no further legal recourse to contest the amounts due.
- **17. Taxation of Purchases:** All State purchases must be invoiced tax free. An exemption certificate will be furnished upon request with respect to otherwise taxable items.
- **18. Child Support:** (Only applicable if the Party is a natural person, not a corporation or partnership.) Party states that, as of the date this Agreement is signed, he/she:
 - A. is not under any obligation to pay child support; or
 - **B.** is under such an obligation and is in good standing with respect to that obligation; or
 - **C.** has agreed to a payment plan with the Vermont Office of Child Support Services and is in full compliance with that plan.

Party makes this statement with regard to support owed to any and all children residing in Vermont. In addition, if the Party is a resident of Vermont, Party makes this statement with regard to support owed to any and all children residing in any other state or territory of the United States.

19. Sub-Agreements: Party shall not assign, subcontract or subgrant the performance of this Agreement or any portion thereof to any other Party without the prior written approval of the State. Party shall be responsible and liable to the State for all acts or omissions of subcontractors and any other person performing work under this Agreement pursuant to an agreement with Party or any subcontractor.

In the case this Agreement is a contract with a total cost in excess of \$250,000, the Party shall provide to the State a list of all proposed subcontractors and subcontractors' subcontractors, together with the identity of those subcontractors' workers compensation insurance providers, and additional required or requested information, as applicable, in accordance with Section 32 of The Vermont Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Act No. 54). Party shall include the following provisions of this Attachment C in all subcontracts for work performed solely for the State of Vermont and subcontracts for work performed in the State of Vermont: Section 10 ("False Claims Act"); Section 11 ("Whistleblower Protections"); Section 12 ("Location of State Data"); Section 14 ("Fair Employment Practices and Americans with Disabilities Act"); Section 16 ("Taxes Due the State"); Section 18 ("Child Support"); Section 20 ("No Gifts or Gratuities"); Section 22 ("Certification Regarding Debarment"); Section 30 ("State Facilities"); and Section 32.A ("Certification Regarding Use of State Funds").

- **20.** No Gifts or Gratuities: Party shall not give title or possession of anything of substantial value (including property, currency, travel and/or education programs) to any officer or employee of the State during the term of this Agreement.
- **21.** Copies: Party shall use reasonable best efforts to ensure that all written reports prepared under this Agreement are printed using both sides of the paper.
- **22. Certification Regarding Debarment:** Party certifies under pains and penalties of perjury that, as of the date that this Agreement is signed, neither Party nor Party's principals (officers, directors, owners, or partners) are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or excluded from participation in Federal programs, or programs supported in whole or in part by Federal funds.

Party further certifies under pains and penalties of perjury that, as of the date that this Agreement is signed, Party is not presently debarred, suspended, nor named on the State's debarment list at: http://bgs.vermont.gov/purchasing/debarment

- 23. Conflict of Interest: Party shall fully disclose, in writing, any conflicts of interest or potential conflicts of interest.
- **24.** Confidentiality: Party acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement and any and all information obtained by the State from the Party in connection with this Agreement are subject to the State of Vermont Access to Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. § 315 et seq.
- **25. Force Majeure:** Neither the State nor the Party shall be liable to the other for any failure or delay of performance of any obligations under this Agreement to the extent such failure or delay shall have been wholly or principally caused by acts or events beyond its reasonable control rendering performance illegal or impossible (excluding strikes or lock-outs) ("Force Majeure"). Where Force Majeure is asserted, the nonperforming party must prove that it made all reasonable efforts to remove, eliminate or minimize such cause of delay or damages, diligently pursued performance of its obligations under this Agreement, substantially fulfilled all non-excused obligations, and timely notified the other party of the likelihood or actual occurrence of an event described in this paragraph.
- **26. Marketing:** Party shall not refer to the State in any publicity materials, information pamphlets, press releases, research reports, advertising, sales promotions, trade shows, or marketing materials or similar communications to third parties except with the prior written consent of the State.

27. Termination:

A. Non-Appropriation: If this Agreement extends into more than one fiscal year of the State (July 1 to June 30), and if appropriations are insufficient to support this Agreement, the State may cancel at the end of the fiscal year, or otherwise upon the expiration of existing appropriation authority. In the case that this Agreement is a Grant that is funded in whole or in part by Federal funds, and in the event Federal funds become unavailable or reduced, the State may suspend or cancel this Grant immediately, and the State shall have no obligation to pay Subrecipient from State revenues.

- **B.** Termination for Cause: Either party may terminate this Agreement if a party materially breaches its obligations under this Agreement, and such breach is not cured within thirty (30) days after delivery of the non-breaching party's notice or such longer time as the non-breaching party may specify in the notice.
- **C. Termination Assistance:** Upon nearing the end of the final term or termination of this Agreement, without respect to cause, the Party shall take all reasonable and prudent measures to facilitate any transition required by the State. All State property, tangible and intangible, shall be returned to the State upon demand at no additional cost to the State in a format acceptable to the State.
- **28.** Continuity of Performance: In the event of a dispute between the Party and the State, each party will continue to perform its obligations under this Agreement during the resolution of the dispute until this Agreement is terminated in accordance with its terms.
- **29. No Implied Waiver of Remedies:** Either party's delay or failure to exercise any right, power or remedy under this Agreement shall not impair any such right, power or remedy, or be construed as a waiver of any such right, power or remedy. All waivers must be in writing.
- **30. State Facilities:** If the State makes space available to the Party in any State facility during the term of this Agreement for purposes of the Party's performance under this Agreement, the Party shall only use the space in accordance with all policies and procedures governing access to and use of State facilities which shall be made available upon request. State facilities will be made available to Party on an "AS IS, WHERE IS" basis, with no warranties whatsoever.
- **31. Requirements Pertaining Only to Federal Grants and Subrecipient Agreements:** If this Agreement is a grant that is funded in whole or in part by Federal funds:
 - **A. Requirement to Have a Single Audit:** The Subrecipient will complete the Subrecipient Annual Report annually within 45 days after its fiscal year end, informing the State of Vermont whether or not a Single Audit is required for the prior fiscal year. If a Single Audit is required, the Subrecipient will submit a copy of the audit report to the granting Party within 9 months. If a single audit is not required, only the Subrecipient Annual Report is required.
 - For fiscal years ending before December 25, 2015, a Single Audit is required if the subrecipient expends \$500,000 or more in Federal assistance during its fiscal year and must be conducted in accordance with OMB Circular A-133. For fiscal years ending on or after December 25, 2015, a Single Audit is required if the subrecipient expends \$750,000 or more in Federal assistance during its fiscal year and must be conducted in accordance with 2 CFR Chapter I, Chapter II, Part 200, Subpart F. The Subrecipient Annual Report is required to be submitted within 45 days, whether or not a Single Audit is required.
 - **B. Internal Controls:** In accordance with 2 CFR Part II, §200.303, the Party must establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award to provide reasonable assurance that the Party is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the award. These internal controls should be in compliance with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).
 - **C. Mandatory Disclosures:** In accordance with 2 CFR Part II, §200.113, Party must disclose, in a timely manner, in writing to the State, all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the Federal award. Failure to make required disclosures may result in the imposition of sanctions which may include disallowance of costs incurred, withholding of payments, termination of the Agreement, suspension/debarment, etc.

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32. Requirements Pertaining Only to State-Funded Grants:

- **A.** Certification Regarding Use of State Funds: If Party is an employer and this Agreement is a State-funded grant in excess of \$1,001, Party certifies that none of these State funds will be used to interfere with or restrain the exercise of Party's employee's rights with respect to unionization.
- **B.** Good Standing Certification (Act 154 of 2016): If this Agreement is a State-funded grant, Party hereby represents: (i) that it has signed and provided to the State the form prescribed by the Secretary of Administration for purposes of certifying that it is in good standing (as provided in Section 13(a)(2) of Act 154) with the Agency of Natural Resources and the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets, or otherwise explaining the circumstances surrounding the inability to so certify, and (ii) that it will comply with the requirements stated therein.

(End of Standard Provisions)

ATTACHMENT D OTHER CONTRACT PROVISIONS INCLUDING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REQUIRMENTS

1. ADDITIONAL INSURANCE COVERAGES

In addition to the insurance required in Attachment C to this Contract, before commencing work on this Contract and throughout the term of this Contract, Contractor agrees to procure and maintain the following:

- (a) Technology Professional Liability insurance for any and all services performed under this Contract, with minimum third-party coverage of N/A per claim, N/A aggregate.
- (b) Professional Liability insurance for any and all services performed under this Agreement, with minimum coverage of \$1,000,000.00 per claim and \$3,000,000.00 aggregate; and
- (c) Abuse and Molestation Coverage of \$1,000,000.00 per claim and \$1,000,000.00 aggregate.

Note: Before commencing work on this Agreement and throughout the term of this Agreement, the Party shall procure and maintain Umbrella Liability insurance for any and all services performed under this Agreement, with minimum coverage of \$3,000,000.00 per occurrence, and \$3,000,000.00 aggregate. The Umbrella Liability limits of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence and \$1,000,000.00 aggregate will be added to the current Abuse and Molestation insurance limits.

To the extent Contractor has access to, processes, handles, collects, transmits, stores or otherwise deals with State Data, Contractor shall additionally maintain first party Breach Notification Coverage of not less than \$1,000,000.00.

Before commencing work on this Contract the Contractor must provide certificates of insurance to show that the foregoing minimum coverages are in effect.

With respect to the first party Breach Notification Coverage, Contractor shall name the State of Vermont and its officers and employees as additional insureds for liability arising out of this Contract.

2. OWNERSHIP AND LICENSE IN DELIVERABLES

- 2.1 Contractor Intellectual Property. Contractor shall retain all right, title and interest in and to any work, ideas, inventions, discoveries, tools, methodology, computer programs, processes and improvements and any other intellectual property, tangible or intangible, that has been created by Contractor prior to entering into this Contract ("Contractor Intellectual Property"). Should the State require a license for the use of Contractor Intellectual Property in connection with the development or use of the items that Contractor is required to deliver to the State under this Contract, including Work Product ("Deliverables"), the Contractor shall grant the State a royalty-free license for such development and use. For the avoidance of doubt, Work Product shall not be deemed to include Contractor Intellectual Property, provided the State shall be granted an irrevocable, perpetual, non-exclusive royalty-free license to use any such Contractor Intellectual Property that is incorporated into Work Product.
- **2.2 State Intellectual Property.** The State shall retain all right, title and interest in and to (i) all content and all property, data and information furnished by or on behalf of the State or any agency, commission or board thereof, and to all information that is created under this Contract, including, but not limited to, all data that is generated under this Contract as a result of the use by Contractor, the State or any third party of any technology

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systems or knowledge bases that are developed for the State and used by Contractor hereunder, and all other rights, tangible or intangible; and (ii) all State trademarks, trade names, logos and other State identifiers, Internet uniform resource locators, State user name or names, Internet addresses and e-mail addresses obtained or developed pursuant to this Contract (collectively, "State Intellectual Property").

Contractor may not use State Intellectual Property for any purpose other than as specified in this Contract. Upon expiration or termination of this Contract, Contractor shall return or destroy all State Intellectual Property and all copies thereof, and Contractor shall have no further right or license to such State Intellectual Property.

Contractor acquires no rights or licenses, including, without limitation, intellectual property rights or licenses, to use State Intellectual Property for its own purposes. In no event shall the Contractor claim any security interest in State Intellectual Property.

2.3 Work Product. All Work Product shall belong exclusively to the State, with the State having the sole and exclusive right to apply for, obtain, register, hold and renew, in its own name and/or for its own benefit, all patents and copyrights, and all applications and registrations, renewals and continuations thereof and/or any and all other appropriate protection. To the extent exclusive title and/or complete and exclusive ownership rights in and to any Work Product may not originally vest in the State by operation of law or otherwise as contemplated hereunder, Contractor shall immediately upon request, unconditionally and irrevocably assign, transfer and convey to the State all right, title and interest therein.

"Work Product" means any tangible or intangible ideas, inventions, improvements, modifications, discoveries, development, customization, configuration, methodologies or processes, designs, models, drawings, photographs, reports, formulas, algorithms, patterns, devices, compilations, databases, computer programs, work of authorship, specifications, operating instructions, procedures manuals or other documentation, technique, know-how, secret, or intellectual property right whatsoever or any interest therein (whether patentable or not patentable or registerable under copyright or similar statutes or subject to analogous protection), that is specifically made, conceived, discovered or reduced to practice by Contractor, either solely or jointly with others, pursuant to this Contract. Work Product does not include Contractor Intellectual Property or third party intellectual property.

To the extent delivered under this Contract, upon full payment to Contractor in accordance with Attachment B, and subject to the terms and conditions contained herein, Contractor hereby (i) assigns to State all rights in and to all Deliverables, except to the extent they include any Contractor Intellectual Property; and (ii) grants to State a perpetual, non-exclusive, irrevocable, royalty-free license to use for State's internal business purposes, any Contractor Intellectual Property included in the Deliverables in connection with its use of the Deliverables and, subject to the State's obligations with respect to Confidential Information, authorize others to do the same on the State's behalf. Except for the foregoing license grant, Contractor or its licensors retain all rights in and to all Contractor Intellectual Property.

The Contractor shall not sell or copyright a Deliverable without explicit permission from the State. If the Contractor is operating a system or application on behalf of the State of Vermont, then the Contractor shall not make information entered into the system or application available for uses by any other party than the State of Vermont, without prior authorization by the State. Nothing herein shall entitle the State to pre-existing Contractor Intellectual Property or Contractor Intellectual Property developed outside of this Contract with no assistance from State.

3. CONFIDENTIALITY AND NON-DISCLOSURE; SECURITY BREACH REPORTING

3.1 For purposes of this Contract, confidential information will not include information or material which (a) enters the public domain (other than as a result of a breach of this Contract); (b) was in the receiving party's

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possession prior to its receipt from the disclosing party; (c) is independently developed by the receiving party without the use of confidential information; (d) is obtained by the receiving party from a third party under no obligation of confidentiality to the disclosing party; or (e) is not exempt from disclosure under applicable State law.

3.2 Confidentiality of Contractor Information. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that this Contract and any and all Contractor information obtained by the State in connection with this Contract are subject to the State of Vermont Access to Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. § 315 et seq. The State will not disclose information for which a reasonable claim of exemption can be made pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 317(c), including, but not limited to, trade secrets, proprietary information or financial information, including any formulae, plan, pattern, process, tool, mechanism, compound, procedure, production data, or compilation of information which is not patented, which is known only to the Contractor, and which gives the Contractor an opportunity to obtain business advantage over competitors who do not know it or use it.

The State shall immediately notify Contractor of any request made under the Access to Public Records Act, or any request or demand by any court, governmental agency or other person asserting a demand or request for Contractor information. Contractor may, in its discretion, seek an appropriate protective order, or otherwise defend any right it may have to maintain the confidentiality of such information under applicable State law within three business days of the State's receipt of any such request. Contractor agrees that it will not make any claim against the State if the State makes available to the public any information in accordance with the Access to Public Records Act or in response to a binding order from a court or governmental body or agency compelling its production. Contractor shall indemnify the State for any costs or expenses incurred by the State, including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees awarded in accordance with 1 V.S.A. § 320, in connection with any action brought in connection with Contractor's attempts to prevent or unreasonably delay public disclosure of Contractor's information if a final decision of a court of competent jurisdiction determines that the State improperly withheld such information and that the improper withholding was based on Contractor's attempts to prevent public disclosure of Contractor's information.

The State agrees that (a) it will use the Contractor information only as may be necessary in the course of performing duties, receiving services or exercising rights under this Contract; (b) it will provide at a minimum the same care to avoid disclosure or unauthorized use of Contractor information as it provides to protect its own similar confidential and proprietary information; (c) except as required by the Access to Records Act, it will not disclose such information orally or in writing to any third party unless that third party is subject to a written confidentiality agreement that contains restrictions and safeguards at least as restrictive as those contained in this Contract; (d) it will take all reasonable precautions to protect the Contractor's information; and (e) it will not otherwise appropriate such information to its own use or to the use of any other person or entity.

Contractor may affix an appropriate legend to Contractor information that is provided under this Contract to reflect the Contractor's determination that any such information is a trade secret, proprietary information or financial information at time of delivery or disclosure.

3.3 Confidentiality of State Information. In performance of this Contract, and any exhibit or schedule hereunder, the Party acknowledges that certain State Data (as defined below), to which the Contractor may have access may contain individual federal tax information, personal protected health information and other individually identifiable information protected by State or federal law or otherwise exempt from disclosure under the State of Vermont Access to Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. § 315 et seq ("State Data"). In addition to the provisions of this Section, the Contractor shall comply with the requirements set forth in the State's HIPAA Business Associate Agreement attached hereto as Attachment E. Before receiving or controlling State Data, the Contractor will have an information security policy that protects its systems and processes and media that may contain State Data from internal and external security threats and State Data from unauthorized disclosure, and

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will have provided a copy of such policy to the State.

State Data shall not be stored, accessed from, or transferred to any location outside the United States. The Contractor agrees that (a) it will use the State Data only as may be necessary in the course of performing duties or exercising rights under this Contract; (b) it will provide at a minimum the same care to avoid disclosure or unauthorized use of State Data as it provides to protect its own similar confidential and proprietary information; (c) it will not publish, reproduce, or otherwise divulge any State Data in whole or in part, in any manner or form orally or in writing to any third party unless it has received written approval from the State and that third party is subject to a written confidentiality agreement that contains restrictions and safeguards at least as restrictive as those contained in this Contract; (d) it will take all reasonable precautions to protect the State's information; and (e) it will not otherwise appropriate such information to its own use or to the use of any other person or entity. Contractor will take reasonable measures as are necessary to restrict access to State Data in the Contractor's

possession to only those employees on its staff who must have the information on a "need to know" basis. The Contractor shall not retain any State Data except to the extent required to perform the services under this Contract.

Contractor shall not access State user accounts or State Data, except in the course of data center operations, response to service or technical issues, as required by the express terms of this Contract, or at State's written request.

Contractor may not share State Data with its parent company or other affiliate without State's express written consent.

The Contractor shall promptly notify the State of any request or demand by any court, governmental agency or other person asserting a demand or request for State Data to which the Contractor or any third party hosting service of the Contractor may have access, so that the State may seek an appropriate protective order.

4. SECURITY OF STATE INFORMATION.

- 4.1 Security Standards. To the extent Contractor has access to, processes, handles, collects, transmits, stores or otherwise deals with State Data, the Contractor represents and warrants that it has implemented and it shall maintain during the term of this Contract the highest industry standard administrative, technical, and physical safeguards and controls consistent with NIST Special Publication 800-53 (version 4 or higher) and Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 200 and designed to (i) ensure the security and confidentiality of State Data; (ii) protect against any anticipated security threats or hazards to the security or integrity of the State Data; and (iii) protect against unauthorized access to or use of State Data. Such measures shall include at a minimum: (1) access controls on information systems, including controls to authenticate and permit access to State Data only to authorized individuals and controls to prevent the Contractor employees from providing State Data to unauthorized individuals who may seek to obtain this information (whether through fraudulent means or otherwise); (2) industry-standard firewall protection; (3) encryption of electronic State Data while in transit from the Contractor networks to external networks; (4) measures to store in a secure fashion all State Data which shall include multiple levels of authentication; (5) dual control procedures, segregation of duties, and pre-employment criminal background checks for employees with responsibilities for or access to State Data; (6) measures to ensure that the State Data shall not be altered or corrupted without the prior written consent of the State; (7) measures to protect against destruction, loss or damage of State Data due to potential environmental hazards, such as fire and water damage; (8) staff training to implement the information security measures; and (9) monitoring of the security of any portions of the Contractor systems that are used in the provision of the services against intrusion on a twenty-four (24) hour a day basis.
- **4.2 Security Breach Notice and Reporting.** The Contractor shall have policies and procedures in place for the effective management of Security Breaches, as defined below, which shall be made available to the State upon

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request.

In addition to the requirements set forth in any applicable Business Associate Agreement as may be attached to this Contract, in the event of any actual security breach or reasonable belief of an actual security breach the Contractor either suffers or learns of that either compromises or could compromise State Data (a "Security Breach"), the Contractor shall notify the State within 24 hours of its discovery. Contractor shall immediately determine the nature and extent of the Security Breach, contain the incident by stopping the unauthorized practice, recover records, shut down the system that was breached, revoke access and/or correct weaknesses in physical security. Contractor shall report to the State: (i) the nature of the Security Breach; (ii) the State Data used or disclosed; (iii) who made the unauthorized use or received the unauthorized disclosure; (iv) what the Contractor has done or shall do to mitigate any deleterious effect of the unauthorized use or disclosure; and (v) what corrective action the Contractor has taken or shall take to prevent future similar unauthorized use or disclosure. The Contractor shall provide such other information, including a written report, as reasonably requested by the State. Contractor shall analyze and document the incident and provide all notices required by applicable law.

In accordance with Section 9 V.S.A. §2435(b)(3), the Contractor shall notify the Office of the Attorney General, or, if applicable, Vermont Department of Financial Regulation ("DFR"), within fourteen (14) business days of the Contractor's discovery of the Security Breach. The notice shall provide a preliminary description of the breach. The foregoing notice requirement shall be included in the subcontracts of any of Contractor's subcontractors, affiliates or agents which may be "data collectors" hereunder.

The Contractor agrees to fully cooperate with the State and assume responsibility at its own expense for the following, to be determined in the sole discretion of the State: (i) notice to affected consumers if the State determines it to be appropriate under the circumstances of any particular Security Breach, in a form recommended by the AGO; and (ii) investigation and remediation associated with a Security Breach, including but not limited to, outside investigation, forensics, counsel, crisis management and credit monitoring, in the sole determination of the State.

The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable laws, as such laws may be amended from time to time (including, but not limited to, Chapter 62 of Title 9 of the Vermont Statutes and all applicable State and federal laws, rules or regulations) that require notification in the event of unauthorized release of personally-identifiable information or other event requiring notification.

In addition to any other indemnification obligations in this Contract, the Contractor shall fully indemnify and save harmless the State from any costs, loss or damage to the State resulting from a Security Breach or the unauthorized disclosure of State Data by the Contractor, its officers, agents, employees, and subcontractors.

5. CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- **5.1 General Representations and Warranties.** The Contractor represents, warrants and covenants that:
 - (i) The Contractor has all requisite power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Contract and the execution, delivery and performance of this Contract by the Contractor has been duly authorized by the Contractor.
 - (ii) There is no pending litigation, arbitrated matter or other dispute to which the Contractor is a party which, if decided unfavorably to the Contractor, would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Contractor's ability to fulfill its obligations under this Contract.
 - (iii) The Contractor will comply with all laws applicable to its performance of the services and otherwise to the Contractor in connection with its obligations under this Contract.
 - (iv) The Contractor (a) owns, or has the right to use under valid and enforceable agreements, all intellectual property rights reasonably necessary for and related to delivery of the services and provision of the services as set forth in this Contract; (b) shall be responsible for and have full authority to license all

proprietary and/or third party software modules, including algorithms and protocols, that Contractor incorporates into its product; and (c) none of the services or other materials or technology provided by the Contractor to the State will infringe upon or misappropriate the intellectual property rights of any third party.

- (v) The Contractor has adequate resources to fulfill its obligations under this Contract.
- (vi) Neither Contractor nor Contractor's subcontractors has past state or federal violations, convictions or suspensions relating to miscoding of employees in NCCI job codes for purposes of differentiating between independent contractors and employees.
- **5.2 Contractor's Performance Warranties.** Contractor represents and warrants to the State that:
 - (i) Each and all of the services shall be performed in a timely, diligent, professional and skillful manner, in accordance with the highest professional or technical standards applicable to such services, by qualified persons with the technical skills, training and experience to perform such services in the planned environment.
 - (ii) Any time software is delivered to the State, whether delivered via electronic media or the internet, no portion of such software or the media upon which it is stored or delivered will have any type of software routine or other element which is designed to facilitate unauthorized access to or intrusion upon; or unrequested disabling or erasure of; or unauthorized interference with the operation of any hardware, software, data or peripheral equipment of or utilized by the State. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, if the State believes that harmful code may be present in any software delivered hereunder, Contractor will, upon State's request, provide a new or clean install of the software. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Contractor assumes no responsibility for the State's negligence or failure to protect data from viruses, or any unintended modification, destruction or disclosure.
 - (iii) To the extent Contractor resells commercial hardware or software it purchased from a third party, Contractor will, to the extent it is legally able to do so, pass through any such third party warranties to the State and will reasonably cooperate in enforcing them. Such warranty pass-through will not relieve the Contractor from Contractor's warranty obligations set forth herein.
- **6. REMEDIES FOR DEFAULT.** In the event either party is in default under this Contract, the non-defaulting party may, at its option, pursue any or all of the remedies available to it under this Contract, including termination for cause, and at law or in equity.

7. TERMINATION

7.1 Contractor shall reasonably cooperate with other parties in connection with all services to be delivered under this Contract, including without limitation any successor provider to whom State Data, State Intellectual Property or other State information and materials are to be transferred in connection with termination. Contractor shall assist the State in exporting and extracting any and all State data, in a format usable without the use of the Services and as agreed to by State, at no additional cost. Any transition services requested by State involving additional knowledge transfer and support may be subject to a contract amendment for a fixed fee or at rates to be mutually agreed upon by the parties.

If the State determines in its sole discretion that a documented transition plan is necessary, then no later than sixty (60) days prior to termination, Contractor and the State shall mutually prepare a Transition Plan identifying transition services to be provided.

7.2 Return of Property. Upon termination of this Contract for any reason whatsoever, Contractor shall immediately deliver to State all State Intellectual Property and State Data (including without limitation any Deliverables for which State has made payment in whole or in part), that are in the possession or under the control

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of Contractor in whatever stage of development and form of recordation such State property is expressed or embodied at that time.

8. DESTRUCTION OF STATE DATA. At any time during the term of this Contract within thirty days of (i) the State's written request or (ii) termination or expiration of this Contract for any reason, Contractor shall securely dispose of all copies, whether in written, electronic or other form or media, of State Data according to National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) approved methods, and certify in writing to the State that such State Data has been disposed of securely. Further, upon the relocation of State Data, Contractor shall securely dispose of such copies from the former data location according to National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) approved methods and certify in writing to the State that such State Data has been disposed of securely. Contractor shall comply with all reasonable directions provided by the State with respect to the disposal of State Data.

9. IRS TERMS IF FEDERAL TAX INFORMATION WILL BE PROCESSED OR STORED (Per IRS Publication 1075)

To the extent Contractor's performance under this Contract involves the processing or storage of Federal tax information, then, pursuant to IRS Publication 1075, the following provisions shall apply in addition to any other security standard or requirements set forth in this Contract:

A. PERFORMANCE

In performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to comply with and assume responsibility for compliance by its employees with the following requirements:

- 1. All work will be done under the supervision of the Contractor or the Contractor's employees.
- 2. The Contractor and the Contractor's employees with access to or who use Federal tax information must meet the background check requirements defined in IRS Publication 1075.
- 3. Any return or return information made available in any format shall be used only for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Contract. Information contained in such material will be treated as confidential and will not be divulged or made known in any manner to any person except as may be necessary in the performance of this Contract. Disclosure to anyone other than an officer or employee of the Contractor will be prohibited.
- 4. All returns and return information will be accounted for upon receipt and properly stored before, during, and after processing. In addition, all related output will be given the same level of protection as required for the source material.
- 5. The Contractor certifies that the data processed during the performance of this Contract will be completely purged from all data storage components of his or her computer facility, and no output will be retained by the Contractor at the time the work is completed. If immediate purging of all data storage components is not possible, the Contractor certifies that any IRS data remaining in any storage component will be safeguarded to prevent unauthorized disclosures.
- 6. Any spoilage or any intermediate hard copy printout that may result during the processing of IRS data will be given to the State or his or her designee. When this is not possible, the Contractor will be responsible for the destruction of the spoilage or any intermediate hard copy printouts, and will provide the State or its designee with a statement containing the date of destruction, description of material destroyed, and the method used.
- 7. All computer systems processing, storing, or transmitting Federal tax information must meet the requirements defined in IRS Publication 1075. To meet functional and assurance requirements, the security features of the environment must provide for the managerial, operational, and technical controls.

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- All security features must be available and activated to protect against unauthorized use of and access to Federal tax information.
- 8. No work involving Federal tax information furnished under this Contract will be subcontracted without prior written approval of the IRS.
- 9. The Contractor will maintain a list of employees authorized access. Such list will be provided to the State and, upon request, to the IRS reviewing office.
- 10. The State will have the right to void the Contract if the Contractor fails to provide the safeguards described above.

B. CRIMINAL/CIVIL SANCTIONS:

- 1. Each officer or employee of any person to whom returns or return information is or may be disclosed will be notified in writing by such person that returns or return information disclosed to such officer or employee can be used only for a purpose and to the extent authorized herein, and that further disclosure of any such returns or return information for a purpose or to an extent unauthorized herein constitutes a felony punishable upon conviction by a fine of as much as \$5,000 or imprisonment for as long as 5 years, or both, together with the costs of prosecution. Such person shall also notify each such officer and employee that any such unauthorized further disclosure of returns or return information may also result in an award of civil damages against the officer or employee in an amount not less than \$1,000 with respect to each instance of unauthorized disclosure. These penalties are prescribed by IRC sections 7213 and 7431 and set forth at 26 CFR 301.6103(n)-1.
- 2. Each officer or employee of any person to whom returns or return information is or may be disclosed shall be notified in writing by such person that any return or return information made available in any format shall be used only for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Contract. Information contained in such material shall be treated as confidential and shall not be divulged or made known in any manner to any person except as may be necessary in the performance of the Contract. Inspection by or disclosure to anyone without an official need to know constitutes a criminal misdemeanor punishable upon conviction by a fine of as much as \$1,000 or imprisonment for as long as 1 year, or both, together with the costs of prosecution. Such person shall also notify each such officer and employee that any such unauthorized inspection or disclosure of returns or return information may also result in an award of civil damages against the officer or employee in an amount equal to the sum of the greater of \$1,000 for each act of unauthorized inspection or disclosure with respect to which such defendant is found liable or the sum of the actual damages sustained by the plaintiff as a result of such unauthorized inspection or disclosure plus in the case of a willful inspection or disclosure which is the result of gross negligence, punitive damages, plus the costs of the action. These penalties are prescribed by IRC section 7213A and 7431, and set forth at 26 CFR 301.6103(n)-1.
- 3. Additionally, it is incumbent upon the Contractor to inform its officers and employees of the penalties for improper disclosure imposed by the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a. Specifically, 5 U.S.C. 552a(i)(1), which is made applicable to contractors by 5 U.S.C. 552a(m)(1), provides that any officer or employee of a contractor, who by virtue of his/her employment or official position, has possession of or access to State records which contain individually identifiable information, the disclosure of which is prohibited by the Privacy Act or regulations established thereunder, and who knowing that disclosure of the specific material is prohibited, willfully discloses the material in any manner to any person or agency not entitled to receive it, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not more than \$5,000.
- 4. Prior to Contractor having access to Federal tax information, Contractor shall certify that each Contractor employee or other individual with access to or who use Federal tax information on Contractor's behalf pursuant to this Contract understands the State's security policy and procedures for safeguarding Federal tax information. Contractor's authorization to access Federal tax information hereunder shall be contingent upon annual recertification. The initial certification and recertification must be documented and placed in the State's files for review. As part of the certification, and at least annually afterwards,

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Contractor will be advised of the provisions of IRCs 7431, 7213, and 7213A (see IRS Publication 1075 *Exhibit 4, Sanctions for Unauthorized Disclosure*, and *Exhibit 5, Civil Damages for Unauthorized Disclosure*). The training provided before the initial certification and annually thereafter must also cover the incident response policy and procedure for reporting unauthorized disclosures and data breaches (See Publication 1075, Section 10). For both the initial certification and the annual certification, the Contractor must sign a confidentiality statement certifying its understanding of the security requirements.

C. INSPECTION:

The IRS and the State, with 24 hours' notice, shall have the right to send its officers, employees, and inspectors into the offices and plants of the Contractor for inspection of the facilities and operations provided for the performance of any work under this Contract. for compliance with the requirements defined in IRS Publication 1075. The IRS's right of inspection shall include the use of manual and/or automated scanning tools to perform compliance and vulnerability assessments of information technology assets that access, store, process or transmit Federal tax information. On the basis of such inspection, corrective actions may be required in cases where the Contractor is found to be noncompliant with Contract safeguards.

10. SOV Cybersecurity Standard Update 2023-01. Contractor confirms that all products and services provided to or for the use of the State under this Agreement shall be in compliance with State of Vermont Cybersecurity Standard 2023-01, which prohibits the use of certain branded products in State information systems or any vendor system that is supporting State information systems, and is available on-line at: https://digitalservices.vermont.gov/cybersecurity/cybersecurity-standards-and-directives

ATTACHMENT E BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT

SOV CONTRACTOR/GRANTEE/BUSINESS ASSOCIATE: <u>LUND FAMILY CENTER, INC.</u>

SOV CONTRACT NO. 45750 CONTRACT EFFECTIVE DATE: <u>JULY 1, 2023</u>

This Business Associate Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into by and between the State of Vermont Agency of Human Services, operating by and through its **Department for Children and Families' Economic Services Division** ("Covered Entity") and Party identified in this Agreement as Contractor or Grantee above ("Business Associate"). This Agreement supplements and is made a part of the contract or grant ("Contract or Grant") to which it is attached.

Covered Entity and Business Associate enter into this Agreement to comply with the standards promulgated under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), including the Standards for the Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information, at 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164 ("Privacy Rule"), and the Security Standards, at 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164 ("Security Rule"), as amended by Subtitle D of the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH), and any associated federal rules and regulations.

The parties agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Definitions</u>. All capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined in this Agreement have the meanings set forth in 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164 as amended by HITECH and associated federal rules and regulations. Terms defined in this Agreement are italicized. Unless otherwise specified, when used in this Agreement, defined terms used in the singular shall be understood if appropriate in their context to include the plural when applicable.
- "Agent" means an *Individual* acting within the scope of the agency of the *Business Associate*, in accordance with the Federal common law of agency, as referenced in 45 CFR § 160.402(c) and includes Workforce members and *Subcontractors*.
- "Breach" means the acquisition, Access, Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information (PHI) which compromises the Security or privacy of the PHI, except as excluded in the definition of Breach in 45 CFR § 164.402.
- "Business Associate" shall have the meaning given for "Business Associate" in 45 CFR § 160.103 and means Contractor or Grantee and includes its Workforce, *Agents* and *Subcontractors*.
- "Electronic PHI" shall mean PHI created, received, maintained or transmitted electronically in accordance with 45 CFR § 160.103.
- "Individual" includes a Person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.502(g).
- "Protected Health Information" ("PHI") shall have the meaning given in 45 CFR § 160.103, limited to the PHI created or received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity.
- "Required by Law" means a mandate contained in law that compels an entity to make a use or disclosure of PHI and that is enforceable in a court of law and shall have the meaning given in 45 CFR § 164.103.
- "Report" means submissions required by this Agreement as provided in section 2.3.
- "Security Incident" means the attempted or successful unauthorized Access, Use, Disclosure, modification, or destruction of Information or interference with system operations in an Information System relating to PHI in

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accordance with 45 CFR § 164.304.

- "Services" includes all work performed by the *Business Associate* for or on behalf of Covered Entity that requires the Use and/or Disclosure of *PHI* to perform a *Business Associate* function described in 45 CFR § 160.103.
- "Subcontractor" means a Person to whom *Business Associate* delegates a function, activity, or service, other than in the capacity of a member of the workforce of such *Business Associate*.
- "Successful Security Incident" shall mean a Security Incident that results in the unauthorized Access, Use, Disclosure, modification, or destruction of information or interference with system operations in an Information System.
- "Unsuccessful Security Incident" shall mean a Security Incident such as routine occurrences that do not result in unauthorized Access, Use, Disclosure, modification, or destruction of information or interference with system operations in an Information System, such as: (i) unsuccessful attempts to penetrate computer networks or services maintained by Business Associate; and (ii) immaterial incidents such as pings and other broadcast attacks on Business Associate's firewall, port scans, unsuccessful log-on attempts, denials of service and any combination of the above with respect to Business Associate's Information System.
- "Targeted Unsuccessful Security Incident" means an Unsuccessful Security Incident that appears to be an attempt to obtain unauthorized Access, Use, Disclosure, modification or destruction of the Covered Entity's Electronic PHI.

2. Contact Information for Privacy and Security Officers and Reports.

- 2.1 *Business Associate* shall provide, within ten (10) days of the execution of this Agreement, written notice to the Contract or Grant manager the names and contact information of both the HIPAA Privacy Officer and HIPAA Security Officer of the *Business Associate*. This information must be updated by *Business Associate* any time these contacts change.
- 2.2 Covered Entity's HIPAA Privacy Officer and HIPAA Security Officer contact information is posted at: https://humanservices.vermont.gov/rules-policies/health-insurance-portability-and-accountability-act-hipaa
- 2.3 *Business Associate* shall submit all *Reports* required by this Agreement to the following email address: AHS.PrivacyAndSecurity@vermont.gov

3. Permitted and Required Uses/Disclosures of PHI.

- 3.1 Subject to the terms in this Agreement, *Business Associate* may Use or Disclose *PHI* to perform *Services*, as specified in the Contract or Grant. Such Uses and Disclosures are limited to the minimum necessary to provide the *Services*. *Business Associate* shall not Use or Disclose *PHI* in any manner that would constitute a violation of the Privacy Rule if Used or Disclosed by Covered Entity in that manner. *Business Associate* may not Use or Disclose *PHI* other than as permitted or required by this Agreement or as *Required by Law* and only in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- 3.2 Business Associate may make PHI available to its Workforce, Agent and Subcontractor who need Access to perform Services as permitted by this Agreement, provided that Business Associate makes them aware of the Use and Disclosure restrictions in this Agreement and binds them to comply with such restrictions.
- 3.3 Business Associate shall be directly liable under HIPAA for impermissible Uses and Disclosures of PHI.
- **4.** <u>Business Activities</u>. *Business Associate* may Use *PHI* if necessary for *Business Associate*'s proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities. *Business Associate* may Disclose *PHI* for *Business Associate*'s proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities if a

Disclosure is *Required by Law* or if *Business Associate* obtains reasonable written assurances via a written agreement from the Person to whom the information is to be Disclosed that such *PHI* shall remain confidential and be Used or further Disclosed only as *Required by Law* or for the purpose for which it was Disclosed to the Person, and the Agreement requires the Person to notify *Business Associate*, within five (5) business days, in writing of any *Breach* of Unsecured *PHI* of which it is aware. Such Uses and Disclosures of *PHI* must be of the minimum amount necessary to accomplish such purposes.

5. <u>Electronic PHI Security Rule Obligations.</u>

- 5.1 With respect to *Electronic PHI*, *Business Associate* shall:
- a) Implement and use Administrative, Physical, and Technical Safeguards in compliance with 45 CFR sections 164.308, 164.310, and 164.312;
- b) Identify in writing upon request from Covered Entity all the safeguards that it uses to protect such *Electronic PHI*:
- c) Prior to any Use or Disclosure of *Electronic PHI* by an *Agent* or *Subcontractor*, ensure that any *Agent* or *Subcontractor* to whom it provides *Electronic PHI* agrees in writing to implement and use Administrative, Physical, and Technical Safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the Confidentiality, Integrity and Availability of *Electronic PHI*. The written agreement must identify Covered Entity as a direct and intended third party beneficiary with the right to enforce any breach of the agreement concerning the Use or Disclosure of *Electronic PHI*, and be provided to Covered Entity upon request;
- d) Report in writing to Covered Entity any *Successful Security Incident* or *Targeted Unsuccessful Security Incident* as soon as it becomes aware of such incident and in no event later than five (5) business days after such awareness. Such *Report* shall be timely made notwithstanding the fact that little information may be known at the time of the *Report* and need only include such information then available;
- e) Following such *Report*, provide Covered Entity with the information necessary for Covered Entity to investigate any such incident; and
- f) Continue to provide to Covered Entity information concerning the incident as it becomes available to it.
- 5.2 Reporting *Unsuccessful Security Incidents. Business Associate* shall provide Covered Entity upon written request a *Report* that: (a) identifies the categories of Unsuccessful Security Incidents; (b) indicates whether *Business Associate* believes its current defensive security measures are adequate to address all *Unsuccessful Security Incidents*, given the scope and nature of such attempts; and (c) if the security measures are not adequate, the measures *Business Associate* will implement to address the security inadequacies.
- 5.3 *Business Associate* shall comply with any reasonable policies and procedures Covered Entity implements to obtain compliance under the Security Rule.

6. Reporting and Documenting Breaches.

6.1 Business Associate shall Report to Covered Entity any Breach of Unsecured PHI as soon as it, or any Person to whom PHI is disclosed under this Agreement, becomes aware of any such Breach, and in no event later than five (5) business days after such awareness, except when a law enforcement official determines that a notification would impede a criminal investigation or cause damage to national security. Such Report shall be

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timely made notwithstanding the fact that little information may be known at the time of the *Report* and need only include such information then available.

- 6.2 Following the *Report* described in 6.1, *Business Associate* shall conduct a risk assessment and provide it to Covered Entity with a summary of the event. *Business Associate* shall provide Covered Entity with the names of any *Individual* whose Unsecured *PHI* has been, or is reasonably believed to have been, the subject of the *Breach* and any other available information that is required to be given to the affected *Individual*, as set forth in 45 CFR § 164.404(c). Upon request by Covered Entity, *Business Associate* shall provide information necessary for Covered Entity to investigate the impermissible Use or Disclosure. *Business Associate* shall continue to provide to Covered Entity information concerning the *Breach* as it becomes available.
- 6.3 When *Business Associate* determines that an impermissible acquisition, Access, Use or Disclosure of *PHI* for which it is responsible is not a *Breach*, and therefore does not necessitate notice to the impacted *Individual*, it shall document its assessment of risk, conducted as set forth in 45 CFR § 402(2). *Business Associate* shall make its risk assessment available to Covered Entity upon request. It shall include 1) the name of the person making the assessment, 2) a brief summary of the facts, and 3) a brief statement of the reasons supporting the determination of low probability that the *PHI* had been compromised.
- 7. <u>Mitigation and Corrective Action.</u> Business Associate shall mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to it of an impermissible Use or Disclosure of *PHI*, even if the impermissible Use or Disclosure does not constitute a Breach. Business Associate shall draft and carry out a plan of corrective action to address any incident of impermissible Use or Disclosure of *PHI*. Business Associate shall make its mitigation and corrective action plans available to Covered Entity upon request.

8. Providing Notice of Breaches.

- 8.1 If Covered Entity determines that a *Breach* of *PHI* for which *Business Associate* was responsible, and if requested by Covered Entity, *Business Associate* shall provide notice to the *Individual* whose *PHI* has been the subject of the *Breach*. When so requested, *Business Associate* shall consult with Covered Entity about the timeliness, content and method of notice, and shall receive Covered Entity's approval concerning these elements. *Business Associate* shall be responsible for the cost of notice and related remedies.
- 8.2 The notice to affected *Individuals* shall be provided as soon as reasonably possible and in no case later than sixty (60) calendar days after *Business Associate* reported the *Breach* to Covered Entity.
- 8.3 The notice to affected *Individuals* shall be written in plain language and shall include, to the extent possible: 1) a brief description of what happened; 2) a description of the types of Unsecured *PHI* that were involved in the *Breach*; 3) any steps *Individuals* can take to protect themselves from potential harm resulting from the *Breach*; 4) a brief description of what the *Business Associate* is doing to investigate the *Breach* to mitigate harm to *Individuals* and to protect against further *Breaches*; and 5) contact procedures for *Individuals* to ask questions or obtain additional information, as set forth in 45 CFR § 164.404(c).
- 8.4 Business Associate shall notify Individuals of Breaches as specified in 45 CFR § 164.404(d) (methods of Individual notice). In addition, when a Breach involves more than 500 residents of Vermont, Business Associate shall, if requested by Covered Entity, notify prominent media outlets serving Vermont, following the requirements set forth in 45 CFR § 164.406.
- **9.** Agreements with Subcontractors. Business Associate shall enter into a Business Associate Agreement with any Subcontractor to whom it provides PHI to require compliance with HIPAA and to ensure Business Associate and Subcontractor comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Business Associate must

enter into such written agreement before any Use by or Disclosure of *PHI* to such *Subcontractor*. The written agreement must identify Covered Entity as a direct and intended third party beneficiary with the right to enforce any breach of the agreement concerning the Use or Disclosure of *PHI*. *Business Associate* shall provide a copy of the written agreement it enters into with a *Subcontractor* to Covered Entity upon request. *Business Associate* may not make any Disclosure of *PHI* to any *Subcontractor* without prior written consent of Covered Entity.

- **10.** <u>Access to PHI</u>. *Business Associate* shall provide access to *PHI* in a Designated Record Set to Covered Entity or as directed by Covered Entity to an *Individual* to meet the requirements under 45 CFR § 164.524. *Business Associate* shall provide such access in the time and manner reasonably designated by Covered Entity. Within five (5) business days, *Business Associate* shall forward to Covered Entity for handling any request for Access to *PHI* that *Business Associate* directly receives from an *Individual*.
- 11. <u>Amendment of PHI</u>. *Business Associate* shall make any amendments to *PHI* in a Designated Record Set that Covered Entity directs or agrees to pursuant to 45 CFR § 164.526, whether at the request of Covered Entity or an *Individual*. *Business Associate* shall make such amendments in the time and manner reasonably designated by Covered Entity. Within five (5) business days, *Business Associate* shall forward to Covered Entity for handling any request for amendment to *PHI* that *Business Associate* directly receives from an *Individual*.
- **Accounting of Disclosures**. Business Associate shall document Disclosures of PHI and all information related to such Disclosures as would be required for Covered Entity to respond to a request by an *Individual* for an accounting of disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.528. Business Associate shall provide such information to Covered Entity or as directed by Covered Entity to an *Individual*, to permit Covered Entity to respond to an accounting request. Business Associate shall provide such information in the time and manner reasonably designated by Covered Entity. Within five (5) business days, Business Associate shall forward to Covered Entity for handling any accounting request that Business Associate directly receives from an Individual.
- 13. <u>Books and Records</u>. Subject to the attorney-client and other applicable legal privileges, *Business Associate* shall make its internal practices, books, and records (including policies and procedures and *PHI*) relating to the Use and Disclosure of *PHI* available to the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) in the time and manner designated by the Secretary. *Business Associate* shall make the same information available to Covered Entity, upon Covered Entity's request, in the time and manner reasonably designated by Covered Entity so that Covered Entity may determine whether *Business Associate* is in compliance with this Agreement.

14. Termination.

- 14.1 This Agreement commences on the Effective Date and shall remain in effect until terminated by Covered Entity or until all the *PHI* is destroyed or returned to Covered Entity subject to Section 18.8.
- 14.2 If *Business Associate* fails to comply with any material term of this Agreement, Covered Entity may provide an opportunity for *Business Associate* to cure. If *Business Associate* does not cure within the time specified by Covered Entity or if Covered Entity believes that cure is not reasonably possible, Covered Entity may immediately terminate the Contract or Grant without incurring liability or penalty for such termination. If neither termination nor cure are feasible, Covered Entity shall report the breach to the Secretary of HHS. Covered Entity has the right to seek to cure such failure by *Business Associate*. Regardless of whether Covered Entity cures, it retains any right or remedy available at law, in equity, or under the Contract or Grant and *Business Associate* retains its responsibility for such failure.

15. Return/Destruction of PHI.

- 15.1 Business Associate in connection with the expiration or termination of the Contract or Grant shall return or destroy, at the discretion of the Covered Entity, *PHI* that Business Associate still maintains in any form or medium (including electronic) within thirty (30) days after such expiration or termination. Business Associate shall not retain any copies of *PHI*. Business Associate shall certify in writing and report to Covered Entity (1) when all *PHI* has been returned or destroyed and (2) that Business Associate does not continue to maintain any *PHI*. Business Associate is to provide this certification during this thirty (30) day period.
- 15.2 Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity any conditions that Business Associate believes make the return or destruction of PHI infeasible. Business Associate shall extend the protections of this Agreement to such PHI and limit further Uses and Disclosures to those purposes that make the return or destruction infeasible for so long as Business Associate maintains such PHI.
- **16. Penalties**. *Business Associate* understands that: (a) there may be civil or criminal penalties for misuse or misappropriation of *PHI* and (b) violations of this Agreement may result in notification by Covered Entity to law enforcement officials and regulatory, accreditation, and licensure organizations.
- **Training.** Business Associate understands its obligation to comply with the law and shall provide appropriate training and education to ensure compliance with this Agreement. If requested by Covered Entity, Business Associate shall participate in Covered Entity's training regarding the Use, Confidentiality, and Security of PHI; however, participation in such training shall not supplant nor relieve Business Associate of its obligations under this Agreement to independently assure compliance with the law and this Agreement.

18. <u>Miscellaneous.</u>

- 18.1 In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of the Contract or Grant, the terms of this Agreement shall govern with respect to its subject matter. Otherwise, the terms of the Contract or Grant continue in effect.
- 18.2 Each party shall cooperate with the other party to amend this Agreement from time to time as is necessary for such party to comply with the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule, or any other standards promulgated under HIPAA. This Agreement may not be amended, except by a writing signed by all parties hereto.
- 18.3 Any ambiguity in this Agreement shall be resolved to permit the parties to comply with the Privacy Rule, Security Rule, or any other standards promulgated under HIPAA.
- 18.4 In addition to applicable Vermont law, the parties shall rely on applicable federal law (e.g., HIPAA, the Privacy Rule, Security Rule, and HITECH) in construing the meaning and effect of this Agreement.
- 18.5 Business Associate shall not have or claim any ownership of PHI.
- 18.6 Business Associate shall abide by the terms and conditions of this Agreement with respect to all *PHI* even if some of that information relates to specific services for which *Business Associate* may not be a "Business Associate" of Covered Entity under the Privacy Rule.
- 18.7 Business Associate is prohibited from directly or indirectly receiving any remuneration in exchange for an *Individual's PHI. Business Associate* will refrain from marketing activities that would violate HIPAA, including specifically Section 13406 of the HITECH Act. *Reports* or data containing *PHI* may not be sold without Covered Entity's or the affected Individual's written consent.

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18.8 The provisions of this Agreement that by their terms encompass continuing rights or responsibilities shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement. For example: (a) the provisions of this Agreement shall continue to apply if Covered Entity determines that it would be infeasible for *Business Associate* to return or destroy *PHI* as provided in Section 14.2 and (b) the obligation of *Business Associate* to provide an accounting of disclosures as set forth in Section 12 survives the expiration or termination of this Agreement with respect to accounting requests, if any, made after such expiration or termination.

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ATTACHMENT F AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES' CUSTOMARY CONTRACT/GRANT PROVISIONS

- 1. **Definitions:** For purposes of this Attachment F, the term "Agreement" shall mean the form of the contract or grant, with all of its parts, into which this Attachment F is incorporated. The meaning of the term "Party" when used in this Attachment F shall mean any named party to this Agreement *other than* the State of Vermont, the Agency of Human Services (AHS) and any of the departments, boards, offices and business units named in this Agreement. As such, the term "Party" shall mean, when used in this Attachment F, the Contractor or Grantee with whom the State of Vermont is executing this Agreement. If Party, when permitted to do so under this Agreement, seeks by way of any subcontract, sub-grant or other form of provider agreement to employ any other person or entity to perform any of the obligations of Party under this Agreement, Party shall be obligated to ensure that all terms of this Attachment F are followed. As such, the term "Party" as used herein shall also be construed as applicable to, and describing the obligations of, any subcontractor, subrecipient or sub-grantee of this Agreement. Any such use or construction of the term "Party" shall not, however, give any subcontractor, sub-recipient or sub-grantee any substantive right in this Agreement without an express written agreement to that effect by the State of Vermont.
- 2. <u>Agency of Human Services</u>: The Agency of Human Services is responsible for overseeing all contracts and grants entered by any of its departments, boards, offices and business units, however denominated. The Agency of Human Services, through the business office of the Office of the Secretary, and through its Field Services Directors, will share with any named AHS-associated party to this Agreement oversight, monitoring and enforcement responsibilities. Party agrees to cooperate with both the named AHS-associated party to this contract and with the Agency of Human Services itself with respect to the resolution of any issues relating to the performance and interpretation of this Agreement, payment matters and legal compliance.
- 3. <u>Medicaid Program Parties</u> (applicable to any Party providing services and supports paid for under Vermont's Medicaid program and Vermont's Global Commitment to Health Waiver):

Inspection and Retention of Records: In addition to any other requirement under this Agreement or at law, Party must fulfill all state and federal legal requirements, and will comply with all requests appropriate to enable the Agency of Human Services, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (along with its Inspector General and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services), the Comptroller General, the Government Accounting Office, or any of their designees: (i) to evaluate through inspection or other means the quality, appropriateness, and timeliness of services performed under this Agreement; and (ii) to inspect and audit any records, financial data, contracts, computer or other electronic systems of Party relating to the performance of services under Vermont's Medicaid program and Vermont's Global Commitment to Health Waiver. Party will retain for ten years all documents required to be retained pursuant to 42 CFR 438.3(u).

<u>Subcontracting for Medicaid Services</u>: Notwithstanding any permitted subcontracting of services to be performed under this Agreement, Party shall remain responsible for ensuring that this Agreement is fully performed according to its terms, that subcontractor remains in compliance with the terms hereof, and that subcontractor complies with all state and federal laws and regulations relating to the Medicaid program in Vermont. Subcontracts, and any service provider agreements entered into by Party in connection with the performance of this Agreement, must clearly specify in writing the responsibilities of the subcontractor or other service provider and Party must retain the authority to revoke its subcontract or service provider agreement or to impose other sanctions if the performance of the subcontractor or service provider is inadequate or if its performance deviates from any requirement of this Agreement. Party shall make available on request all contracts, subcontracts and service provider agreements between the Party, subcontractors and other service providers to the Agency of Human Services and any of its departments as well as to the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

<u>Medicaid Notification of Termination Requirements:</u> Party shall follow the Department of Vermont Health Access Managed-Care-Organization enrollee-notification requirements, to include the requirement that Party provide timely notice of any termination of its practice.

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Encounter Data: Party shall provide encounter data to the Agency of Human Services and/or its departments and ensure further that the data and services provided can be linked to and supported by enrollee eligibility files maintained by the State.

<u>Federal Medicaid System Security Requirements Compliance</u>: Party shall provide a security plan, risk assessment, and security controls review document within three months of the start date of this Agreement (and update it annually thereafter) in order to support audit compliance with 45 CFR 95.621 subpart F, ADP System Security Requirements and Review Process.

4. Workplace Violence Prevention and Crisis Response (applicable to any Party and any subcontractors and sub-grantees whose employees or other service providers deliver social or mental health services directly to individual recipients of such services):

Party shall establish a written workplace violence prevention and crisis response policy meeting the requirements of Act 109 (2016), 33 VSA §8201(b), for the benefit of employees delivering direct social or mental health services. Party shall, in preparing its policy, consult with the guidelines promulgated by the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration for *Preventing Workplace Violence for Healthcare and Social Services Workers*, as those guidelines may from time to time be amended.

Party, through its violence protection and crisis response committee, shall evaluate the efficacy of its policy, and update the policy as appropriate, at least annually. The policy and any written evaluations thereof shall be provided to employees delivering direct social or mental health services.

Party will ensure that any subcontractor and sub-grantee who hires employees (or contracts with service providers) who deliver social or mental health services directly to individual recipients of such services, complies with all requirements of this Section.

5. Non-Discrimination:

Party shall not discriminate, and will prohibit its employees, agents, subcontractors, sub-grantees and other service providers from discrimination, on the basis of age under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, on the basis of handicap under section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, on the basis of sex under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and on the basis of race, color or national origin under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Party shall not refuse, withhold from or deny to any person the benefit of services, facilities, goods, privileges, advantages, or benefits of public accommodation on the basis of disability, race, creed, color, national origin, marital status, sex, sexual orientation or gender identity as provided by Title 9 V.S.A. Chapter 139.

No person shall on the grounds of religion or on the grounds of sex (including, on the grounds that a woman is pregnant), be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination, to include sexual harassment, under any program or activity supported by State of Vermont and/or federal funds. Party further shall comply with the non-discrimination requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC Section 2000d, et seq., and with the federal guidelines promulgated pursuant to Executive Order 13166 of 2000, requiring that contractors and subcontractors receiving federal funds assure that persons with limited English proficiency can meaningfully access services. To the extent Party provides assistance to individuals with limited English proficiency through the use of oral or written translation or interpretive services, such individuals cannot be required to pay for such services.

6. Employees and Independent Contractors:

Party agrees that it shall comply with the laws of the State of Vermont with respect to the appropriate classification of its workers and service providers as "employees" and "independent contractors" for all purposes, to include for purposes related to unemployment compensation insurance and workers compensation coverage, and proper payment and reporting of wages. Party agrees to ensure that all of its subcontractors or sub-grantees also remain in legal compliance as to the appropriate classification of "workers" and "independent contractors" relating to unemployment compensation insurance and workers compensation coverage, and proper payment and reporting of wages. Party will on request provide to the Agency of Human Services information pertaining to the classification of its employees to include the basis for the classification. Failure to comply with these obligations may result in termination of this Agreement.

7. Data Protection and Privacy:

<u>Protected Health Information</u>: Party shall maintain the privacy and security of all individually identifiable health information acquired by or provided to it as a part of the performance of this Agreement. Party shall follow federal and state law relating to privacy and security of individually identifiable health information as applicable, including the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and its federal regulations.

<u>Substance Abuse Treatment Information</u>: Substance abuse treatment information shall be maintained in compliance with 42 C.F.R. Part 2 if the Party or subcontractor(s) are Part 2 covered programs, or if substance abuse treatment information is received from a Part 2 covered program by the Party or subcontractor(s).

<u>Protection of Personal Information:</u> Party agrees to comply with all applicable state and federal statutes to assure protection and security of personal information, or of any personally identifiable information (PII), including the Security Breach Notice Act, 9 V.S.A. § 2435, the Social Security Number Protection Act, 9 V.S.A. § 2440, the Document Safe Destruction Act, 9 V.S.A. § 2445 and 45 CFR 155.260. As used here, PII shall include any information, in any medium, including electronic, which can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, such as his/her name, social security number, biometric records, etc., either alone or when combined with any other personal or identifiable information that is linked or linkable to a specific person, such as date and place or birth, mother's maiden name, etc.

<u>Other Confidential Consumer Information</u>: Party agrees to comply with the requirements of AHS Rule No. 08-048 concerning access to and uses of personal information relating to any beneficiary or recipient of goods, services or other forms of support. Party further agrees to comply with any applicable Vermont State Statute and other regulations respecting the right to individual privacy. Party shall ensure that all of its employees, subcontractors and other service providers performing services under this agreement understand and preserve the sensitive, confidential and non-public nature of information to which they may have access.

<u>Data Breaches</u>: Party shall report to AHS, though its Chief Information Officer (CIO), any impermissible use or disclosure that compromises the security, confidentiality or privacy of any form of protected personal information identified above within 24 hours of the discovery of the breach. Party shall in addition comply with any other data breach notification requirements required under federal or state law.

8. Abuse and Neglect of Children and Vulnerable Adults:

Abuse Registry. Party agrees not to employ any individual, to use any volunteer or other service provider, or to otherwise provide reimbursement to any individual who in the performance of services connected with this agreement provides care, custody, treatment, transportation, or supervision to children or to vulnerable adults if there has been a substantiation of abuse or neglect or exploitation involving that individual. Party is responsible for confirming as to each individual having such contact with children or vulnerable adults the non-existence of a substantiated allegation of abuse, neglect or exploitation by verifying that fact though (a) as to vulnerable adults, the Adult Abuse Registry maintained by the Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living and (b) as to children, the Central Child Protection Registry (unless the Party holds a valid child care license or registration from the Division of Child Development, Department for Children and Families). See 33 V.S.A. §4919(a)(3) and 33 V.S.A. §6911(c)(3).

Reporting of Abuse, Neglect, or Exploitation. Consistent with provisions of 33 V.S.A. §4913(a) and §6903, Party and any of its agents or employees who, in the performance of services connected with this agreement, (a) is a caregiver or has any other contact with clients and (b) has reasonable cause to believe that a child or vulnerable adult has been abused or neglected as defined in Chapter 49 or abused, neglected, or exploited as defined in Chapter 69 of Title 33 V.S.A. shall: as to children, make a report containing the information required by 33 V.S.A. §4914 to the Commissioner of the Department for Children and Families within 24 hours; or, as to a vulnerable adult, make a report containing the information required by 33 V.S.A. §6904 to the Division of Licensing and Protection at the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living within 48 hours. Party will ensure that its agents or employees receive training on the reporting of abuse or neglect to children and abuse, neglect or exploitation of vulnerable adults.

9. Information Technology Systems:

<u>Computing and Communication</u>: Party shall select, in consultation with the Agency of Human Services' Information Technology unit, one of the approved methods for secure access to the State's systems and data,

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if required. Approved methods are based on the type of work performed by the Party as part of this agreement. Options include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Party's provision of certified computing equipment, peripherals and mobile devices, on a separate Party's network with separate internet access. The Agency of Human Services' accounts may or may not be provided.
- 2. State supplied and managed equipment and accounts to access state applications and data, including State issued active directory accounts and application specific accounts, which follow the National Institutes of Standards and Technology (NIST) security and the Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act (HIPAA) standards.

Intellectual Property/Work Product Ownership: All data, technical information, materials first gathered, originated, developed, prepared, or obtained as a condition of this agreement and used in the performance of this agreement -- including, but not limited to all reports, surveys, plans, charts, literature, brochures, mailings, recordings (video or audio), pictures, drawings, analyses, graphic representations, software computer programs and accompanying documentation and printouts, notes and memoranda, written procedures and documents, which are prepared for or obtained specifically for this agreement, or are a result of the services required under this grant -- shall be considered "work for hire" and remain the property of the State of Vermont, regardless of the state of completion unless otherwise specified in this agreement. Such items shall be delivered to the State of Vermont upon 30-days notice by the State. With respect to software computer programs and / or source codes first developed for the State, all the work shall be considered "work for hire," i.e., the State, not the Party (or subcontractor or sub-grantee), shall have full and complete ownership of all software computer programs, documentation and/or source codes developed.

Party shall not sell or copyright a work product or item produced under this agreement without explicit permission from the State of Vermont.

If Party is operating a system or application on behalf of the State of Vermont, Party shall not make information entered into the system or application available for uses by any other party than the State of Vermont, without prior authorization by the State. Nothing herein shall entitle the State to pre-existing Party's materials.

Party acknowledges and agrees that should this agreement be in support of the State's implementation of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010, Party is subject to the certain property rights provisions of the Code of Federal Regulations and a Grant from the Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Such agreement will be subject to, and incorporates here by reference, 45 CFR 74.36, 45 CFR 92.34 and 45 CFR 95.617 governing rights to intangible property.

<u>Security and Data Transfers:</u> Party shall comply with all applicable State and Agency of Human Services' policies and standards, especially those related to privacy and security. The State will advise the Party of any new policies, procedures, or protocols developed during the term of this agreement as they are issued and will work with the Party to implement any required.

Party will ensure the physical and data security associated with computer equipment, including desktops, notebooks, and other portable devices, used in connection with this Agreement. Party will also assure that any media or mechanism used to store or transfer data to or from the State includes industry standard security mechanisms such as continually up-to-date malware protection and encryption. Party will make every reasonable effort to ensure media or data files transferred to the State are virus and spyware free. At the conclusion of this agreement and after successful delivery of the data to the State, Party shall securely delete data (including archival backups) from Party's equipment that contains individually identifiable records, in accordance with standards adopted by the Agency of Human Services.

Party, in the event of a data breach, shall comply with the terms of Section 7 above.

10. Other Provisions:

Environmental Tobacco Smoke. Public Law 103-227 (also known as the Pro-Children Act of 1994) and Vermont's Act 135 (2014) (An act relating to smoking in lodging establishments, hospitals, and child care facilities, and on State lands) restrict the use of tobacco products in certain settings. Party shall ensure that no person is permitted: (i) to use tobacco products or tobacco substitutes as defined in 7 V.S.A. § 1001 on the

premises, both indoor and outdoor, of any licensed child care center or afterschool program at any time; (ii) to use tobacco products or tobacco substitutes on the premises, both indoor and in any outdoor area designated for child care, health or day care services, kindergarten, pre-kindergarten, elementary, or secondary education or library services; and (iii) to use tobacco products or tobacco substitutes on the premises of a licensed or registered family child care home while children are present and in care. Party will refrain from promoting the use of tobacco products for all clients and from making tobacco products available to minors.

Failure to comply with the provisions of the federal law may result in the imposition of a civil monetary penalty of up to \$1,000 for each violation and/or the imposition of an administrative compliance order on the responsible entity. The federal Pro-Children Act of 1994, however, does not apply to portions of facilities used for inpatient drug or alcohol treatment; service providers whose sole source of applicable federal funds is Medicare or Medicaid; or facilities where Women, Infants, & Children (WIC) coupons are redeemed.

2-1-1 Database: If Party provides health or human services within Vermont, or if Party provides such services near the Vermont border readily accessible to residents of Vermont, Party shall adhere to the "Inclusion/Exclusion" policy of Vermont's United Way/Vermont 211 (Vermont 211), and will provide to Vermont 211 relevant descriptive information regarding its agency, programs and/or contact information as well as accurate and up to date information to its database as requested. The "Inclusion/Exclusion" policy can be found at www.vermont211.org.

<u>Voter Registration</u>: When designated by the Secretary of State, Party agrees to become a voter registration agency as defined by 17 V.S.A. §2103 (41), and to comply with the requirements of state and federal law pertaining to such agencies.

<u>Drug Free Workplace Act</u>: Party will assure a drug-free workplace in accordance with 45 CFR Part 76. **<u>Lobbying</u>**: No federal funds under this agreement may be used to influence or attempt 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 the awarding of any federal contract, continuation, renewal, amendments other than federal appropriated funds.

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<u>ATTACHMENT G</u> STATE OF VERMONT- FEDERAL TERMS SUPPLEMENT (Non-Construction)

for all Contracts and Purchases of Products and Services Using Federal Funds (Revision date: July 28, 2022)

PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated Items unless the products cannot be acquired-

- 1. Competitively within a time frame providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
- 2. Meeting contract performance requirements; or
- 3. At a reasonable price

Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designated items, is available at the EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program.

The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.

CLEAN AIR ACT

- 1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
- 2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the State of Vermont and understands and agrees that the State of Vermont will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- 3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

- 1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- 2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the State of Vermont and understands and agrees that the State of Vermont will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- 3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA. a. Standard. Non-Federal entities and contractors are subject to the debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, *Debarment and Suspension* (1986) and Executive Order 12689, *Debarment and Suspension*

(1989) at 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and the Department of Homeland Security's regulations at 2 C.F.R. Part 3000 (Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension).

CONTRACTOR BREACH, ERRORS AND OMISSIONS

- 1. Any breach of the terms of this contract, or material errors and omissions in the work product of the contractor must be corrected by the contractor at no cost to the State, and a contractor may be liable for the State's costs and other damages resulting from errors or deficiencies in its performance.
- 2. Neither the States' review, approval or acceptance of nor payment for, the services required under this contract shall be construed to operate as a waiver of any rights under this contract or of any cause of action arising out of the performance of this contract.
- 3. The rights and remedies of the State provided for under this contract are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or elsewhere in the contract.

TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

1. General

- a. Any termination for convenience shall be effected by delivery to the Contractor an Order of Termination specifying the termination is for the convenience of the Agency, the extent to which performance of work under the Contract is terminated, and the effective date of the termination.
- b. In the event such termination occurs, without fault and for reasons beyond the control of the Contractor, all completed or partially completed items of work as of the date of termination will be paid for in accordance with the contract payment terms.
- c. No compensation will be allowed for items eliminated from the Contract.
- d. Termination of the Contract, or portion thereof, shall not relieve the Contractor of its contractual responsibilities for work completed and shall not relieve the Contractor's Surety of its obligation for and concerning any just claim arising out of the work performed.

2. Contractor Obligations

After receipt of the Notice of Termination and except as otherwise directed by the State, the Contractor shall immediately proceed to:

- a. To the extent specified in the Notice of Termination, stop work under the Contract on the date specified.
- b. Place no further orders or subcontracts for materials, services, and/or facilities except as may be necessary for completion of such portion(s) of the work under the Contract as is (are) not terminated.
- c. Terminate and cancel any orders or subcontracts for related to the services, except as may be necessary for completion of such portion(s) of the work under the Contract as is (are) not terminated.

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- d. Transfer to the State all completed or partially completed plans, drawings, information, and other property which, if the Contract had been completed, would be required to be furnished to the State.
- e. Take other action as may be necessary or as directed by the State for the protection and preservation of the property related to the contract which is in the possession of the contractor and in which the State has or may acquire any interest.
- f. Make available to the State all cost and other records relevant to a determination of an equitable settlement.

3. Claim by Contractor

After receipt of the Notice of Termination from the state, the Contractor shall submit any claim for additional costs not covered herein or elsewhere in the Contract within 60 days of the effective termination date, and not thereafter. Should the Contractor fail to submit a claim within the 60-day period, the State may, at its sole discretion, based on information available to it, determine what, if any, compensation is due the Contractor and pay the Contractor the determined amount.

4. Negotiation

Negotiation to settle a timely claim shall be for the sole purpose of reaching a settlement equitable to both the Contractor and the State. To the extent settlement is properly based on Contractor costs, settlement shall be based on actual costs incurred by the Contractor, as reflected by the contract rates. Consequential damages, loss of overhead, loss of overhead contribution of any kind, and/or loss of anticipated profits on work not performed shall not be included in the Contractor's claim and will not be considered, allowed, or included as part of any settlement.

ATTACHMENT H OTHER CONTRACT PROVISIONS / REPORTING FORMS

FORM A: IMD Performance Measure Report Example

Please use the form provided by the State



IMD Performance Measures
Reporting Month:

	Made	me feel Be	etter abo	ut self			Helped me make good decisions				Helped me become a better parent						
Program End Date	ID#	Strongly Agree	Agre e	Disagre e	Strongly Disagre e	Program End Date	ID#	Strongly Agree	Agre e	Disagre e	Strongly Disagre e	Program End Date	ID#	Strongly Agree	Agre e	Disagre e	Strongly Disagre e
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Readmitting Data

		Follow up		
Program End Date	ID#		Readmission	Where Readmitted
		30 Days		
		30 Days		
		30 Days		
		Sum:	0	
		90 days		
		90 days		
		Sum: 180 days 180 days 180 days	0	
		Sum:	0	

Waitlist Demographics											
					Reporting Mon	th:					
Waitlist:											
Status	Referral Date	Case Number	Currently Pregnant?_6398	Referred By:		Under 18?	DCF?	DOC?			
4. Accepted											
Waiting for Open											
Bed											
Women under 18 in DCF Custody:											
Women with DCF Involvement:											
Women with DOC Involvement:											
Women Tr	Women Transitioning from Facility:										

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FORM B: Room & Board Financial Report / Request for Payment Form Example

Please use the form provided by the State

ESD LUND RESIDENTIAL Invoice

Facility Name:	
Medicaid Provider #:	
Date Submitted:	

THE LUND FAMILY CENTER 1004678

Program Name: Care Provided For (Month/Year):

Residential Treatment for Pregnant and Parenting Individuals

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esident's Name	Date of Birth	Age	Medicaid ID#	Diagnosis	Diagnosis	Dates of Service - Month:	# Days		R&B		
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Date:	Date:

Co-Director of Residential and Community Treatment Services