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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

NEW HAMPSHIRE HOSPITAL

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Lori A. Weaver
Interim Commissioner

Ellen M. Lapointe
Chief Executive Officer

January 26, 2023

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, New Hampshire Hospital, to enter into a **Retroactive, Sole Source** amendment to an existing contract with Aslynn J. Romano, PLLC (VC #432468), Concord, NH to provide an additional psychiatric services to residents at Philbrook Adult Transitional Housing, by increasing the price limitation by $78,000 from $9,000 to $87,000 with no change to the contract completion date of December 31, 2023, effective retroactive to January 1, 2023, upon Governor and Council approval. 80.2% General Funds. 19.8% Other Funds (Provider Fees).

The original contract was approved by The Department of Health of Human Services on November 28, 2022.

Funds are available in the following account for State Fiscal Year 2023, and are anticipated to be available in State Fiscal Year 2024, upon the availability and continued appropriation of funds in the future operating budget, with the authority to adjust budget line items within the price limitation and encumbrances between state fiscal years through the Budget Office, if needed and justified.

05-95-94-940010-60960000 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, DEPT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS, HHS: NEW HAMPSHIRE HOSPITAL, NEW HAMPSHIRE HOSPITAL, NH COMMUNITY RESIDENCE

State Fiscal Year	Class / Account	Class Title	Job Number	Current Budget	Increased (Decreased) Amount	Revised Budget
2023	102-500731	Contracts for Prog Svc	94090100	$9,000	$39,000	$48,000
2024	102-500731	Contracts for Prog Svc	94090100	$0	$39,000	$39,000
			Total	**$9,000**	**$78,000**	**$87,000**

EXPLANATION

This request is **Retroactive** because the previous psychiatric provider at Philbrook Adult Transitional Housing terminated his contract unexpectedly, and the Contractor was retained for additional services immediately to maintain continuity of the services. The Contractor started providing 12 hours of services per week on January 1, 2023, prior to this the Contractor was providing services as requested. The Department currently has identified two Contractors for these services, to avoid this situation in the future. This request is **Sole Source** because MOP 150 requires all amendments to agreements previously approved as sole source to be identified as sole source. Finding a skilled and licensed psychiatric provider in the Concord area with the ability and willingness to provide services to the residents at Philbrook Adult Transitional Housing has been an ongoing challenge for the Department. The current Contractor was willing and able to provide the additional services immediately upon request.

The purpose of this request is for the Contractor to provide additional psychiatric services to individuals admitted to the Department's Philbrook Adult Transitional Housing on the Hugh J. Gallen State Office Park campus.

The individuals admitted to Philbrook Adult Transitional Housing have been diagnosed with serious mental illness, but need a lesser level of care than provided at New Hampshire Hospital. Transitioning appropriate clients from New Hampshire Hospital to Philbrook Adult Transitional Housing allows more beds to be available at New Hampshire Hospital for individuals who are remaining in hospital emergency departments across the state instead of being admitted to New Hampshire Hospital.

Approximately 75 individuals will be served from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

The Contractor will provide psychiatric services including conducting assessments of individuals, prescribing medication, formulating and implementing individual treatment plans, and providing consultation to clinical teams.

The Department will monitor compliance of the contracted services through monthly reporting of service hours completed and written notes on each patients' progress.

Should the Governor and Council not authorize this request, the Department's ability to provide clinical services at Philbrook Adult Transitional Housing will be affected, and patients at New Hampshire Hospital may not be able to transfer to Philbrook Adult Transitional Housing. This could cause delay for patients being admitted to New Hampshire Hospital from hospital emergency departments statewide.

Area served: Residents at Philbrook Adult Transitional Housing.

Source of Funds: 86% General Funds. 14% Other Funds (Provider Fees).

In the event that the Other Funds become no longer available, additional General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori A. Weaver
Interim Commissioner

State of New Hampshire
Department of Health and Human Services
Amendment #1

This Amendment to the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Services contract is by and between the State of New Hampshire, Department of Health and Human Services ("State" or "Department") and Aslynn J. Romano, PLLC ("the Contractor").

WHEREAS, pursuant to an agreement (the "Contract") approved by the Department of Health and Human Services on November 28, 2022, the Contractor agreed to perform certain services based upon the terms and conditions specified in the Contract and in consideration of certain sums specified; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Form P-37, General Provisions, the Contract may be amended upon written agreement of the parties and approval from the Governor and Executive Council; and

WHEREAS, the parties agree to increase the price limitation to support continued delivery of these services; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual covenants and conditions contained in the Contract and set forth herein, the parties hereto agree to amend as follows:

1. Form P-37, General Provisions, Block 1.8, Price Limitation, to read:

   $87,000.

2. Exhibit A, Revisions to Standard Agreement Provisions, Footer, Project ID, to correct a scrivener's error, to read: SS-2023-NHH-04-ADVAN-01.

3. Exhibit B, Scope of Services, Footer, Project ID, to correct a scrivener's error, to read:

   SS-2023-NHH-04-ADVAN-01.

4. Exhibit C, Payment Terms, Footer, Project ID, to correct a scrivener's error, to read:

   SS-2023-NHH-04-ADVAN-01.

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Date 1/26/2023

All terms and conditions of the Contract not modified by this Amendment remain in full force and effect. This Amendment shall be effective retroactive to January 1, 2023, upon Governor and Council approval.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have set their hands as of the date written below,

State of New Hampshire
Department of Health and Human Services

1/26/2023
Date

DocuSigned by:
Ellen Marie Lapointe
Name: Ellen Marie Lapointe
Title: Chief Executive Officer

Aslynn J. Romano, PLLC

1/26/2023
Date

DocuSigned by:
Name: Aslynn Romano
Title: Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner

The preceding Amendment, having been reviewed by this office, is approved as to form, substance, and execution.

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

1/26/2023
Date

DocuSigned by:
Robyn Guarino
Name: Robyn Guarino
Title: Attorney

I hereby certify that the foregoing Amendment was approved by the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire at the Meeting on: _____ (date of meeting)

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Date

Name:
Title:

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State of New Hampshire

Department of State

CERTIFICATE

I, David M. Scanlan, Secretary of State of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby certify that ASLYNN J. ROMANO PLLC is a New Hampshire Professional Limited Liability Company registered to transact business in New Hampshire on October 11, 2022. I further certify that all fees and documents required by the Secretary of State's office have been received and is in good standing as far as this office is concerned.

Business ID: **913510**

Certificate Number: **0005898814**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,
I hereto set my hand and cause to be affixed
the Seal of the State of New Hampshire,
this 18th day of November A.D. 2022.

David M. Scanlan
Secretary of State

Limited Partnership or LLC Certificate of Authority

I, ___Aslynn J. Romano____, hereby certify that I am a Partner, Member, or Manager of ____Aslynn J. Romano PLLC__, a limited liability partnership under RSA 304-B, a limited liability professional partnership under RSA 304-D, or a limited liability company under RSA 304-C.

I certify that I am authorized to bind the partnership or LLC. I further certify that it is understood that the State of New Hampshire will rely on this certificate as evidence that the person listed above currently occupies the position indicated and that they have full authority to bind the partnership or LLC and that this authorization shall remain valid for thirty (30) days from the date of this Corporate Resolution.

Dated:__1/26/23___

Signature:_____

Name: __Aslynn J. Romano___

Title: _Independent Psychiatric Provider & Proprietor

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CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) 11/18/2022

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IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

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INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE	NAIC #
INSURER A: Berkshire Hathaway Direct Insurance Company	10391
INSURER B:	
INSURER C:	
INSURER D:	
INSURER E:	
INSURER F:	

INSURED
Aslynn J. Romano PLLC

76 Fort Eddy Rd. Suite 1
Number 1023
Concord, NH 03301

COVERAGES CERTIFICATE NUMBER: REVISION NUMBER:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSD	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS	
	COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY						EACH OCCURRENCE	$
	CLAIMS-MADE OCCUR						DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence)	$
							MED EXP (Any one person)	$
							PERSONAL & ADV INJURY	$
	GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER:						GENERAL AGGREGATE	$
	POLICY PRO-JECT LOC						PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG	$
	OTHER:							$
	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY						COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident)	$
	ANY AUTO						BODILY INJURY (Per person)	$
	OWNED AUTOS ONLY / SCHEDULED AUTOS						BODILY INJURY (Per accident)	$
	HIRED AUTOS ONLY / NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY						PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident)	$
								$
	UMBRELLA LIAB / OCCUR						EACH OCCURRENCE	$
	EXCESS LIAB / CLAIMS-MADE						AGGREGATE	$
	DED / RETENTION $							$
	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY						PER STATUTE / OTH-ER	
	ANYPROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? Y / N (Mandatory in NH)	N / A					E.L. EACH ACCIDENT	$
	If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below						E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE	$
							E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT	$
A	Professional Liability (Errors & Omissions): Claims-Made			N9PL837777	11/01/2022	11/01/2023	Per Occurrence/ Aggregate	$3,000,000/ $3,000,000

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

CERTIFICATE HOLDER

NH Department of Health and Human Services
129 Pleasant St
Concord, NH 03301

CANCELLATION

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

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November 21, 2022

To Whom It May Concern, .

I, Aslynn J. Romano MSN, APRN, PMHNP-BC, am the sole owner of Aslynn J. Romano PLLC. Aslynn J. Romano PLLC does not have any employees other than myself.

Thank you,

_____ ___11/21/22_____
(Signature) (Date)

Aslynn J. Romano MSN, APRN, PMHNP-BC

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FORM NUMBER P-37 (version 12/11/2019)

Subject: Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Services (SS-2023-NHH-04-ADVAN-01)

Notice: This agreement and all of its attachments shall become public upon submission to Governor and Executive Council for approval. Any information that is private, confidential or proprietary must be clearly identified to the agency and agreed to in writing prior to signing the contract.

AGREEMENT

The State of New Hampshire and the Contractor hereby mutually agree as follows:

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. IDENTIFICATION.

1.1 State Agency Name New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services		1.2 State Agency Address 129 Pleasant Street Concord, NH 03301-3857	
1.3 Contractor Name Aslynn J. Romano, PLLC		1.4 Contractor Address 76 Fort Eddy Road, Suite 1 #1023 Concord, NH 03301	
1.5 Contractor Phone Number 475-355-5231	1.6 Account Number 05-95-094-940010-60960000	1.7 Completion Date 12/31/2023	1.8 Price Limitation $9,000
1.9 Contracting Officer for State Agency Robert W. Moore, Director	DocuSigned by: Robert Moore 11/28/2022	1.10 State Agency Telephone Number (603) 271-9631	
1.11 Contractor Signature DocuSigned by:	Date: 11/23/2022	1.12 Name and Title of Contractor Signatory Aslynn Romano Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner	
1.13 State Agency Signature DocuSigned by: Ellen Marie Lapointe	Date: 11/28/2022	1.14 Name and Title of State Agency Signatory Ellen Marie Lapointe Chief Executive Officer	

1.15 Approval by the N.H. Department of Administration, Division of Personnel *(if applicable)*

By: DocuSigned by: Lorrie Rudis Director, On: 11/28/2022

1.16 Approval by the Attorney General (Form, Substance and Execution) *(if applicable)*

By: On:

1.17 Approval by the Governor and Executive Council *(if applicable)*

G&C Item number: G&C Meeting Date:

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2. SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED. The State of New Hampshire, acting through the agency identified in block 1.1 ("State"), engages contractor identified in block 1.3 ("Contractor") to perform, and the Contractor shall perform, the work or sale of goods, or both, identified and more particularly described in the attached EXHIBIT B which is incorporated herein by reference ("Services").

3. EFFECTIVE DATE/COMPLETION OF SERVICES.

3.1 Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, and subject to the approval of the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire, if applicable, this Agreement, and all obligations of the parties hereunder, shall become effective on the date the Governor and Executive Council approve this Agreement as indicated in block 1.17, unless no such approval is required, in which case the Agreement shall become effective on the date the Agreement is signed by the State Agency as shown in block 1.13 ("Effective Date").

3.2 If the Contractor commences the Services prior to the Effective Date, all Services performed by the Contractor prior to the Effective Date shall be performed at the sole risk of the Contractor, and in the event that this Agreement does not become effective, the State shall have no liability to the Contractor, including without limitation, any obligation to pay the Contractor for any costs incurred or Services performed. Contractor must complete all Services by the Completion Date specified in block 1.7.

4. CONDITIONAL NATURE OF AGREEMENT.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, all obligations of the State hereunder, including, without limitation, the continuance of payments hereunder, are contingent upon the availability and continued appropriation of funds affected by any state or federal legislative or executive action that reduces, eliminates or otherwise modifies the appropriation or availability of funding for this Agreement and the Scope for Services provided in EXHIBIT B, in whole or in part. In no event shall the State be liable for any payments hereunder in excess of such available appropriated funds. In the event of a reduction or termination of appropriated funds, the State shall have the right to withhold payment until such funds become available, if ever, and shall have the right to reduce or terminate the Services under this Agreement immediately upon giving the Contractor notice of such reduction or termination. The State shall not be required to transfer funds from any other account or source to the Account identified in block 1.6 in the event funds in that Account are reduced or unavailable.

5. CONTRACT PRICE/PRICE LIMITATION/ PAYMENT.

5.1 The contract price, method of payment, and terms of payment are identified and more particularly described in EXHIBIT C which is incorporated herein by reference.

5.2 The payment by the State of the contract price shall be the only and the complete reimbursement to the Contractor for all expenses, of whatever nature incurred by the Contractor in the performance hereof, and shall be the only and the complete compensation to the Contractor for the Services. The State shall have no liability to the Contractor other than the contract price.

5.3 The State reserves the right to offset from any amounts otherwise payable to the Contractor under this Agreement those liquidated amounts required or permitted by N.H. RSA 80:7 through RSA 80:7-c or any other provision of law.

5.4 Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, and notwithstanding unexpected circumstances, in no event shall the total of all payments authorized, or actually made hereunder, exceed the Price Limitation set forth in block 1.8.

6. COMPLIANCE BY CONTRACTOR WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS/ EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.

6.1 In connection with the performance of the Services, the Contractor shall comply with all applicable statutes, laws, regulations, and orders of federal, state, county or municipal authorities which impose any obligation or duty upon the Contractor, including, but not limited to, civil rights and equal employment opportunity laws. In addition, if this Agreement is funded in any part by monies of the United States, the Contractor shall comply with all federal executive orders, rules, regulations and statutes, and with any rules, regulations and guidelines as the State or the United States issue to implement these regulations. The Contractor shall also comply with all applicable intellectual property laws.

6.2 During the term of this Agreement, the Contractor shall not discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of race, color, religion, creed, age, sex, handicap, sexual orientation, or national origin and will take affirmative action to prevent such discrimination.

6.3. The Contractor agrees to permit the State or United States access to any of the Contractor's books, records and accounts for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with all rules, regulations and orders, and the covenants, terms and conditions of this Agreement.

7. PERSONNEL.

7.1 The Contractor shall at its own expense provide all personnel necessary to perform the Services. The Contractor warrants that all personnel engaged in the Services shall be qualified to perform the Services, and shall be properly licensed and otherwise authorized to do so under all applicable laws.

7.2 Unless otherwise authorized in writing, during the term of this Agreement, and for a period of six (6) months after the Completion Date in block 1.7, the Contractor shall not hire, and shall not permit any subcontractor or other person, firm or corporation with whom it is engaged in a combined effort to perform the Services to hire, any person who is a State employee or official, who is materially involved in the procurement, administration or performance of this Agreement. This provision shall survive termination of this Agreement.

7.3 The Contracting Officer specified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, shall be the State's representative. In the event of any dispute concerning the interpretation of this Agreement, the Contracting Officer's decision shall be final for the State.

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8. EVENT OF DEFAULT/REMEDIES.

8.1 Any one or more of the following acts or omissions of the Contractor shall constitute an event of default hereunder ("Event of Default"):

8.1.1 failure to perform the Services satisfactorily or on schedule;

8.1.2 failure to submit any report required hereunder; and/or

8.1.3 failure to perform any other covenant, term or condition of this Agreement.

8.2 Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the State may take any one, or more, or all, of the following actions:

8.2.1 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default and requiring it to be remedied within, in the absence of a greater or lesser specification of time, thirty (30) days from the date of the notice; and if the Event of Default is not timely cured, terminate this Agreement, effective two (2) days after giving the Contractor notice of termination;

8.2.2 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default and suspending all payments to be made under this Agreement and ordering that the portion of the contract price which would otherwise accrue to the Contractor during the period from the date of such notice until such time as the State determines that the Contractor has cured the Event of Default shall never be paid to the Contractor;

8.2.3 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default and set off against any other obligations the State may owe to the Contractor any damages the State suffers by reason of any Event of Default; and/or

8.2.4 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default, treat the Agreement as breached, terminate the Agreement and pursue any of its remedies at law or in equity, or both.

8.3. No failure by the State to enforce any provisions hereof after any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of its rights with regard to that Event of Default, or any subsequent Event of Default. No express failure to enforce any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of the right of the State to enforce each and all of the provisions hereof upon any further or other Event of Default on the part of the Contractor.

9. TERMINATION.

9.1 Notwithstanding paragraph 8, the State may, at its sole discretion, terminate the Agreement for any reason, in whole or in part, by thirty (30) days written notice to the Contractor that the State is exercising its option to terminate the Agreement.

9.2 In the event of an early termination of this Agreement for any reason other than the completion of the Services, the Contractor shall, at the State's discretion, deliver to the Contracting Officer, not later than fifteen (15) days after the date of termination, a report ("Termination Report") describing in detail all Services performed, and the contract price earned, to and including the date of termination. The form, subject matter, content, and number of copies of the Termination Report shall be identical to those of any Final Report described in the attached EXHIBIT B. In addition, at the State's discretion, the Contractor shall, within 15 days of notice of early termination, develop and submit to the State a Transition Plan for services under the Agreement.

10. DATA/ACCESS/CONFIDENTIALITY/ PRESERVATION.

10.1 As used in this Agreement, the word "data" shall mean all information and things developed or obtained during the performance of, or acquired or developed by reason of, this Agreement, including, but not limited to, all studies, reports, files, formulae, surveys, maps, charts, sound recordings, video recordings, pictorial reproductions, drawings, analyses, graphic representations, computer programs, computer printouts, notes, letters, memoranda, papers, and documents, all whether finished or unfinished.

10.2 All data and any property which has been received from the State or purchased with funds provided for that purpose under this Agreement, shall be the property of the State, and shall be returned to the State upon demand or upon termination of this Agreement for any reason.

10.3 Confidentiality of data shall be governed by N.H. RSA chapter 91-A or other existing law. Disclosure of data requires prior written approval of the State.

11. CONTRACTOR'S RELATION TO THE STATE. In the performance of this Agreement the Contractor is in all respects an independent contractor, and is neither an agent nor an employee of the State. Neither the Contractor nor any of its officers, employees, agents or members shall have authority to bind the State or receive any benefits, workers' compensation or other emoluments provided by the State to its employees.

12. ASSIGNMENT/DELEGATION/SUBCONTRACTS.

12.1 The Contractor shall not assign, or otherwise transfer any interest in this Agreement without the prior written notice, which shall be provided to the State at least fifteen (15) days prior to the assignment, and a written consent of the State. For purposes of this paragraph, a Change of Control shall constitute assignment. "Change of Control" means (a) merger, consolidation, or a transaction or series of related transactions in which a third party, together with its affiliates, becomes the direct or indirect owner of fifty percent (50%) or more of the voting shares or similar equity interests, or combined voting power of the Contractor, or (b) the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Contractor.

12.2 None of the Services shall be subcontracted by the Contractor without prior written notice and consent of the State. The State is entitled to copies of all subcontracts and assignment agreements and shall not be bound by any provisions contained in a subcontract or an assignment agreement to which it is not a party.

13. INDEMNIFICATION. Unless otherwise exempted by law, the Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the State, its officers and employees, from and against any and all claims, liabilities and costs for any personal injury or property damages, patent or copyright infringement, or other claims asserted against the State, its officers or employees, which arise out of (or which may be claimed to arise out of) the acts or omission of the

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Contractor, or subcontractors, including but not limited to the negligence, reckless or intentional conduct. The State shall not be liable for any costs incurred by the Contractor arising under this paragraph 13. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein contained shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the State, which immunity is hereby reserved to the State. This covenant in paragraph 13 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

14. INSURANCE.

14.1 The Contractor shall, at its sole expense, obtain and continuously maintain in force, and shall require any subcontractor or assignee to obtain and maintain in force, the following insurance:

14.1.1 commercial general liability insurance against all claims of bodily injury, death or property damage, in amounts of not less than $1,000,000 per occurrence and $2,000,000 aggregate or excess; and

14.1.2 special cause of loss coverage form covering all property subject to subparagraph 10.2 herein, in an amount not less than 80% of the whole replacement value of the property.

14.2 The policies described in subparagraph 14.1 herein shall be on policy forms and endorsements approved for use in the State of New Hampshire by the N.H. Department of Insurance, and issued by insurers licensed in the State of New Hampshire.

14.3 The Contractor shall furnish to the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, a certificate(s) of insurance for all insurance required under this Agreement. Contractor shall also furnish to the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, certificate(s) of insurance for all renewal(s) of insurance required under this Agreement no later than ten (10) days prior to the expiration date of each insurance policy. The certificate(s) of insurance and any renewals thereof shall be attached and are incorporated herein by reference.

15. WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

15.1 By signing this agreement, the Contractor agrees, certifies and warrants that the Contractor is in compliance with or exempt from, the requirements of N.H. RSA chapter 281-A *("Workers' Compensation")*.

15.2 To the extent the Contractor is subject to the requirements of N.H. RSA chapter 281-A, Contractor shall maintain, and require any subcontractor or assignee to secure and maintain, payment of Workers' Compensation in connection with activities which the person proposes to undertake pursuant to this Agreement. The Contractor shall furnish the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, proof of Workers' Compensation in the manner described in N.H. RSA chapter 281-A and any applicable renewal(s) thereof, which shall be attached and are incorporated herein by reference. The State shall not be responsible for payment of any Workers' Compensation premiums or for any other claim or benefit for Contractor, or any subcontractor or employee of Contractor, which might arise under applicable State of New Hampshire Workers' Compensation laws in connection with the performance of the Services under this Agreement.

16. NOTICE. Any notice by a party hereto to the other party shall be deemed to have been duly delivered or given at the time of mailing by certified mail, postage prepaid, in a United States Post Office addressed to the parties at the addresses given in blocks 1.2 and 1.4, herein.

17. AMENDMENT. This Agreement may be amended, waived or discharged only by an instrument in writing signed by the parties hereto and only after approval of such amendment, waiver or discharge by the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire unless no such approval is required under the circumstances pursuant to State law, rule or policy.

18. CHOICE OF LAW AND FORUM. This Agreement shall be governed, interpreted and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire, and is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assigns. The wording used in this Agreement is the wording chosen by the parties to express their mutual intent, and no rule of construction shall be applied against or in favor of any party. Any actions arising out of this Agreement shall be brought and maintained in New Hampshire Superior Court which shall have exclusive jurisdiction thereof.

19. CONFLICTING TERMS. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this P-37 form (as modified in EXHIBIT A) and/or attachments and amendment thereof, the terms of the P-37 (as modified in EXHIBIT A) shall control.

20. THIRD PARTIES. The parties hereto do not intend to benefit any third parties and this Agreement shall not be construed to confer any such benefit.

21. HEADINGS. The headings throughout the Agreement are for reference purposes only, and the words contained therein shall in no way be held to explain, modify, amplify or aid in the interpretation, construction or meaning of the provisions of this Agreement.

22. SPECIAL PROVISIONS. Additional or modifying provisions set forth in the attached EXHIBIT A are incorporated herein by reference.

23. SEVERABILITY. In the event any of the provisions of this Agreement are held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be contrary to any state or federal law, the remaining provisions of this Agreement will remain in full force and effect.

24. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement, which may be executed in a number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the parties, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings with respect to the subject matter hereof.

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EXHIBIT A

Revisions to Standard Agreement Provisions

1. Revisions to Form P-37, General Provisions

   1.1. Paragraph 3, Effective Date/Completion of Services, is amended by adding subparagraph 3.3 as follows:

   3.3. The parties may extend the Agreement for up two (2) additional years from the Completion Date, contingent upon satisfactory delivery of services, available funding, agreement of the parties, and approval of the Governor and Executive Council.

   1.2. Paragraph 12, Assignment/Delegation/Subcontracts, is amended by adding subparagraph 12.3 as follows:

   12.3. Subcontractors are subject to the same contractual conditions as the Contractor and the Contractor is responsible to ensure subcontractor compliance with those conditions. The Contractor shall have written agreements with all subcontractors, specifying the work to be performed, and if applicable, a Business Associate Agreement in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. Written agreements shall specify how corrective action shall be managed. The Contractor shall manage the subcontractor's performance on an ongoing basis and take corrective action as necessary. The Contractor shall annually provide the State with a list of all subcontractors provided for under this Agreement and notify the State of any inadequate subcontractor performance.

   1.3. Paragraph 14, Insurance, Subparagraph 14.1, Line 14.1.1 is amended as follows:

   14.1.1 Professional liability insurance against all claims of bodily injury, death or property damage, in amounts of not less than $1,000,000 per occurrence and $3,000,000 aggregate or excess; and

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EXHIBIT B

Scope of Services

1. Statement of Work

1.1. The Contractor must provide psychiatric services in this agreement to residents at Philbrook Adult Transitional Housing (PATH), on the premises at the Governor Hugh J. Gallen State Office Park in Concord, New Hampshire.

1.2. For the purposes of this Agreement, all references to days must mean calendar days, excluding State and Federal holidays.

1.3. The Contractor must provide psychiatric services at PATH approximately ten (10) to twelve (12) hours per week based on the need for such psychiatric services, and must coordinate service hours with the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or designee of New Hampshire Hospital (NHH)

1.4. The Contractor must provide the anticipated hours for services for the following week by Friday of each week. The final weekly service schedule must be approved by the Department.

1.5. The Contractor must be board certified as an advanced practice registered nurse (ARPN) and have an active license to practice in New Hampshire. The Contractor must provide a copy of said license and any renewals thereof to the Department, and must notify the Department within twenty-four hours if said license becomes suspended, revoked or expired.

1.6. The Contractor must provide NHH's CEO or designee with all forms necessary to complete provider enrollment with insurance carriers, and credentialing.

1.7. The Contractor must provide proof of immunizations required for health care workers to the NHH CEO or designee, in accordance with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Recommendations for Immunization of Health-Care Workers, Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices and the Hospital Infection Control Practices Advisory committee, which includes proof of:

1.7.1. Tuberculosis screening results dated within the last year prior to the effective date of this agreement;

1.7.2. Hepatitis B vaccination or immunity initiation;

1.7.3. Immunity to measles, mumps, rubella and chickenpox;

1.7.4. Influenza vaccination during influenza season if not contraindicated;

1.7.5. Tetanus, Diphtheria, & Pertussis (TDaP) vaccination within the past ten (10) years; and

1.7.6. Vaccination for the COVID-19 virus.

1.8. The Contractor must complete the orientation for PATH's policies and safety requirements. Required classes must be completed at orientation and thereafter at the discretion of NHH's CEO or designee every two (2) years. At

the discretion of NHH's CEO or designee, and based on the Contractor's credentials and experience, the orientation requirements may be covered individually with the Contractor in a condensed format.

1.9. The Contractor must authorize the Department to conduct a Criminal Background Check and must release the results to the NHH Office of Human Resources to ensure no convictions for the following crimes:

1.9.1. A felony for child abuse or neglect, spousal abuse, any crime against children or adults, including but not limited to: child pornography, rape, sexual assault, or homicide;

1.9.2. A violent or sexually-related crime against a child or adult, or a crime which may indicate a person might be reasonably expected to pose a threat to a child or adult;

1.9.3. A felony for physical assault, battery, or a drug-related offense committed within the past five (5) years in accordance with 42 USC 671 (a)(20)(A)(ii);

1.9.4. Felony conviction; or

1.9.5. Any misdemeanor conviction involving:

1.9.5.1. Physical or sexual assault;

1.9.5.2. Violence;

1.9.5.3. Exploitation;

1.9.5.4. Child pornography;

1.9.5.5. Threatening or reckless conduct;

1.9.5.6. Theft;

1.9.5.7. Driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol; or

1.9.5.8. Any other conduct that represents evidence of behavior that could endanger the well-being of an individual served under this Agreement.

1.10. The Contractor must authorize the Department to conduct a Bureau of Elderly and Adults Services (BEAS) State Registry check maintained pursuant to RSA 161-F:49; at no cost to the Contractor. The BEAS State Registry check confidential results are returned directly to the NHH Office of Human Resources.

1.11. The Contractor must provide psychiatric services in accordance with the scope of practice described in Revised States Annotated (RSA) 326-B:11, Scope of Practice and Authority; Advanced Practice Registered Nurse, including, but not limited to:

1.11.1. Providing periodic psychiatric assessments of individuals.

1.11.2. Providing clinical assessments in accordance with PATH's regulatory and billing standards.

1.11.3. Diagnosing and treating psychiatric conditions, as necessary, for individuals.

1.11.4. Referring individuals for non-psychiatric healthcare needs, as necessary, to other providers in the community.

1.11.5. Developing, adjusting, and continuing treatment plans for individuals as clinically appropriate.

1.11.6. Formulating and implementing individual treatment plans and clinical services, in cooperation with treatment teams, for the diagnosis, assessment, treatment, and care of patients.

1.11.7. Ensuring progress notes and treatment plans are completed and/or updated within twenty-four (24) hours of the date in which a clinical visit is performed.

1.11.8. Providing non-urgent consultation to clinical teams as appropriate.

1.11.9. Independently prescribing, dispensing, and distributing psychopharmacologic drugs and act as a treatment team member in accordance with state law.

1.11.10. Updating patient medical records in the Department Electronic Health Record.

1.11.11. Appearing and testifying in court proceedings, as necessary, for individuals admitted to PATH.

1.11.12. Developing and maintaining positive relationships with Department staff and contracted staff, Community Mental Health Centers, advocates, and the mental health community.

1.12. The Contractor must participate in meetings with the Department on an as needed basis, as requested by the Department.

1.13. Reporting

1.13.1. The Contractor must submit monthly reports to NHH's CEO or designee specifying the number of service hours provided on a form provided by the Department and provide information as requested by the Department.

1.13.2. The Contractor may be required to provide other key data and metrics to the Department in a format specified by the Department.

2. State Owned Devices, Systems and Network Usage

2.1. If Contractor End Users are authorized by the States' Information Security Office to access the States' network or system and/or use a state issued device (e.g. computer, IPad, cell phone) in the fulfilment of this Contract, each

individual being granted access must:

2.1.1. Sign and abide by applicable State and New Hampshire Department of Information Technology (NH DoIT) use agreements, policies, standards, procedures guidelines, and complete applicable trainings as required;

2.1.2. Use the information that they have permission to access solely for conducting official state business and agree that all other use or access is strictly forbidden including, but not limited, to personal or other private and non-State use, and that at no time shall they access or attempt to access information without having the express authority of the State to do so;

2.1.3. Not access or attempt to access information in a manner inconsistent with the approved policies, procedures, and/or agreement relating to system entry/access;

2.1.4. Not copy, share, distribute, sub-license, modify, reverse engineer, rent, or sell software licensed, developed, or being evaluated by the State, and at all times must use utmost care to protect and keep such software strictly confidential in accordance with the license or any other agreement executed by the State;

2.1.5. Only use equipment, software, or subscription(s) authorized by the State's Information Security Officer or designee;

2.1.6. Not install non-standard software on any equipment unless authorized by the State's Information Security Officer or designee;

2.1.7. Agree that email and other electronic communication messages created, sent, and received on a state-issued email system are the property of the State of New Hampshire and to be used for business purposes only. Email is defined as "internal email systems" or "state-funded email systems."

2.1.8. Agree that use of email must follow State and NH DoIT policies, standards, and/or guidelines; and

2.1.9. When utilizing the State's email system all Contractor End Users must:

2.1.9.1. Only use a state email address assigned to them with a "@ affiliate.DHHS.NH.Gov".

2.1.9.2. Include in the signature lines information indicating they are a non-state workforce member; and

2.1.9.3. Ensure the following confidentiality notice is embedded underneath the signature line:

CONFIDENTIALITY NOTICE: "This message may contain information that is privileged and confidential and is intended only for the use of the individual(s) to whom it is addressed. If you receive this message in error, please

notify the sender immediately and delete this electronic message and any attachments from your system. Thank you for your cooperation."

2.1.10. The Contractor End Users with a State issued email and/or workspace in a State building/facility, must:

2.1.10.1. Complete the State's Annual Information Security & Compliance Awareness Training prior to accessing, viewing, handling, hearing, or transmitting State data or Confidential Information.

2.1.10.2. Sign the State's Business Use and Confidentiality Agreement and Asset Use Agreement, and the NH DoIT Statewide Computer Use Agreement upon execution of the Contract and annually throughout the Contract term.

2.1.10.3. Not access the State' intranet.

2.1.10.4. Contractor agrees, if any End User is found to be in violation of any of the above-stated terms and conditions of the Contract, said End User may face removal from the Contract, and/or criminal and/or civil prosecution, if the act constitutes a violation of law.

2.1.10.5. Contractor agrees to notify the State a minimum of three business days prior to any upcoming transfers or terminations of End Users who possess State credentials and/or badges or who have system privileges. If End Users who possess State credentials and/or badges or who have system privileges are resign or are dismissed without advance notice, the Contractor agrees to notify the State's Information Security Officer or designee immediately.

3. Exhibits Incorporated

3.1. The Contractor must use and disclose Protected Health Information in compliance with the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information (Privacy Rule) (45 CFR Parts 160 and 164) under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996, and in accordance with the attached Exhibit I, Business Associate Agreement, which has been executed by the parties.

3.2. The Contractor must manage all confidential data related to this Agreement in accordance with the terms of Exhibit K, DHHS Information Security Requirements.

3.3. The Contractor must comply with all Exhibits D through K, which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

4. Additional Terms

4.1. Impacts Resulting from Court Orders or Legislative Changes

4.1.1. The Contractor agrees that, to the extent future state or federal legislation or court orders may have an impact on the Services described herein, the State has the right to modify Service priorities and expenditure requirements under this Agreement so as to achieve compliance therewith.

4.2. Federal Civil Rights Laws Compliance: Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Programs and Services

4.2.1. The Contractor must submit, within ten (10) days of the Agreement Effective Date, a detailed description of the communication access and language assistance services to be provided to ensure meaningful access to programs and/or services to individuals with limited English proficiency; individuals who are deaf or have hearing loss; individuals who are blind or have low vision; and individuals who have speech challenges.

4.3. Credits and Copyright Ownership

4.3.1. All documents, notices, press releases, research reports and other materials prepared during or resulting from the performance of the services of the Agreement must include the following statement, "The preparation of this (report, document etc.) was financed under an Contract with the State of New Hampshire, Department of Health and Human Services, with funds provided in part by the State of New Hampshire and/or such other funding sources as were available or required, e.g., the United States Department of Health and Human Services."

4.3.2. All materials produced or purchased under the Agreement must have prior approval from the Department before printing, production, distribution or use.

4.3.3. The Department must retain copyright ownership for any and all original materials produced, including, but not limited to:

4.3.3.1. Brochures.

4.3.3.2. Resource directories.

4.3.3.3. Protocols or guidelines.

4.3.3.4. Posters.

4.3.3.5. Reports.

4.3.4. The Contractor must not reproduce any materials produced under the Agreement without prior written approval from the Department.

4.4. Eligibility Determinations

4.4.1. If the Contractor is permitted to determine the eligibility of individuals such eligibility determination must be made in accordance with applicable federal and state laws, regulations, orders, guidelines, policies and procedures.

4.4.2. Eligibility determinations must be made on forms provided by the Department for that purpose and must be made and remade at such times as are prescribed by the Department.

4.4.3. In addition to the determination forms required by the Department, the Contractor must maintain a data file on each recipient of services hereunder, which file must include all information necessary to support an eligibility determination and such other information as the Department requests. The Contractor must furnish the Department with all forms and documentation regarding eligibility determinations that the Department may request or require.

4.4.4. The Contractor understands that all applicants for services hereunder, as well as individuals declared ineligible have a right to a fair hearing regarding that determination. The Contractor hereby covenants and agrees that all applicants for services must be permitted to fill out an application form and that each applicant or re-applicant must be informed of his/her right to a fair hearing in accordance with Department regulations.

5. Records

5.1. The Contractor must keep records that include, but are not limited to:

5.1.1. Books, records, documents and other electronic or physical data evidencing and reflecting all costs and other expenses incurred by the Contractor in the performance of the Contract, and all income received or collected by the Contractor.

5.1.2. All records must be maintained in accordance with accounting procedures and practices, which sufficiently and properly reflect all such costs and expenses, and which are acceptable to the Department, and to include, without limitation, all ledgers, books, records, and original evidence of costs such as purchase requisitions and orders, vouchers, requisitions for materials, inventories, valuations of in-kind contributions, labor time cards, payrolls, and other records requested or required by the Department.

5.1.3. Statistical, enrollment, attendance or visit records for each recipient of services, which records must include all records of application and eligibility (including all forms required to determine eligibility for each such recipient), records regarding the provision of services and all invoices submitted to the Department to obtain payment for such services.

5.1.4. Medical records on each patient/recipient of services.

5.2. During the term of this Agreement and the period for retention hereunder, the Department, the United States Department of Health and Human Services, and any of their designated representatives must have access to all reports and records maintained pursuant to the Agreement for purposes of audit, examination, excerpts and transcripts. Upon the purchase by the Department of the maximum number of units provided for in the Agreement and upon payment of the price limitation hereunder, the Agreement and all the obligations of the parties hereunder (except such obligations as, by the terms of the Agreement are to be performed after the end of the term of this Agreement and/or survive the termination of the Agreement) must terminate, provided however, that if, upon review of the Final Expenditure Report the Department must disallow any expenses claimed by the Contractor as costs hereunder the Department must retain the right, at its discretion, to deduct the amount of such expenses as are disallowed or to recover such sums from the Contractor.

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EXHIBIT C

Payment Terms

1. This Agreement is funded by:
   1.1. 86% General funds.
   1.2. 14% Other funds (Provider Fees).
2. For the purposes of this Agreement the Department has identified:
   2.1. The Contractor as a Contractor, in accordance with 2 CFR 200.331.
3. Payment shall be on an hourly reimbursement basis at a rate of $125 per hour, inclusive of travel as required, for actual hours of services provided. The Contractor shall be paid for only the total number of hours actually worked, not to exceed twelve (12) hours per week, unless approved by the Department in advance.
4. The Contractor shall submit an invoice with supporting documentation to the Department no later than the fifteenth (15th) working day of the month following the month in which the services were provided. The Contractor shall ensure each invoice:
   4.1. Includes the Contractor's Vendor Number issued upon registering with New Hampshire Department of Administrative Services.
   4.2. Is submitted in a form that is provided by or otherwise acceptable to the Department.
   4.3. Identifies and requests payment for allowable costs incurred in the previous month.
   4.4. Includes supporting documentation of allowable costs with each invoice that may include, but are not limited to, time sheets, payroll records, receipts for purchases, and proof of expenditures, as applicable.
   4.5. Is completed, dated and returned to the Department with the supporting documentation for allowable expenses to initiate payment.
   4.6. Is assigned an electronic signature, includes supporting documentation, and is emailed to NHHFinancialServices@dhhs.nh.gov or mailed to:

   Financial Manager
   Department of Health and Human Services
   New Hampshire Hospital
   71 South Fruit Street
   Concord, NH 03301
5. The Department shall make payments to the Contractor within thirty (30) days of receipt of each invoice and supporting documentation for authorized expenses, subsequent to approval of the submitted invoice.

6. The final invoice and supporting documentation for authorized expenses shall be due to the Department no later than forty (40) days after the contract completion date specified in Form P-37, General Provisions Block 1.7 Completion Date.

7. Notwithstanding Paragraph 17 of the General Provisions Form P-37, changes limited to adjusting amounts within the price limitation and adjusting encumbrances between State Fiscal Years and budget class lines through the Budget Office may be made by written agreement of both parties, without obtaining approval of the Governor and Executive Council, if needed and justified.

8. Audits

8.1. The Contractor must email an annual audit to dhhs.act@dhhs.nh.gov if any of the following conditions exist:

8.1.1. Condition A - The Contractor expended $750,000 or more in federal funds received as a subrecipient pursuant to 2 CFR Part 200, during the most recently completed fiscal year.

8.1.2. Condition B - The Contractor is subject to audit pursuant to the requirements of NH RSA 7:28, III-b, pertaining to charitable organizations receiving support of $1,000,000 or more.

8.1.3. Condition C - The Contractor is a public company and required by Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) regulations to submit an annual financial audit.

8.2. If Condition A exists, the Contractor shall submit an annual Single Audit performed by an independent Certified Public Accountant (CPA) to dhhs.act@dhhs.nh.gov within 120 days after the close of the Contractor's fiscal year, conducted in accordance with the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal awards.

8.2.1. The Contractor shall submit a copy of any Single Audit findings and any associated corrective action plans. The Contractor shall submit quarterly progress reports on the status of implementation of the corrective action plan.

8.3. If Condition B or Condition C exists, the Contractor shall submit an annual financial audit performed by an independent CPA within 120 days after the close of the Contractor's fiscal year.

8.4. In addition to, and not in any way in limitation of obligations of the Agreement, it is understood and agreed by the Contractor that the Contractor shall be held liable for any state or federal audit exceptions and shall return to the Department all payments made under the

Agreement to which exception has been taken, or which have been disallowed because of such an exception.

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Standard Exhibits D-H

The parties agree that the Department's Standard Exhibits D through Exhibit H are not applicable to this Agreement.

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HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT

The Contractor identified in Section 1.3 of the General Provisions of the Agreement agrees to comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, Public Law 104-191 and with the Standards for Privacy and Security of Individually Identifiable Health Information, 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164 applicable to business associates. As defined herein, "Business Associate" shall mean the Contractor and subcontractors and agents of the Contractor that receive, use or have access to protected health information under this Agreement and "Covered Entity" shall mean the State of New Hampshire, Department of Health and Human Services.

(1) Definitions.

a. "Breach" shall have the same meaning as the term "Breach" in section 164.402 of Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations.

b. "Business Associate" has the meaning given such term in section 160.103 of Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations.

c. "Covered Entity" has the meaning given such term in section 160.103 of Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations.

d. "Designated Record Set" shall have the same meaning as the term "designated record set" in 45 CFR Section 164.501.

e. "Data Aggregation" shall have the same meaning as the term "data aggregation" in 45 CFR Section 164.501.

f. "Health Care Operations" shall have the same meaning as the term "health care operations" in 45 CFR Section 164.501.

g. "HITECH Act" means the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act, TitleXIII, Subtitle D, Part 1 & 2 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

h. "HIPAA" means the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191 and the Standards for Privacy and Security of Individually Identifiable Health Information, 45 CFR Parts 160, 162 and 164 and amendments thereto.

i. "Individual" shall have the same meaning as the term "individual" in 45 CFR Section 160.103 and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 CFR Section 164.501(g).

j. "Privacy Rule" shall mean the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information at 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164, promulgated under HIPAA by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

k. "Protected Health Information" shall have the same meaning as the term "protected health information" in 45 CFR Section 160.103, limited to the information created or received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity.

l. "Required by Law" shall have the same meaning as the term "required by law" in 45 CFR Section 164.103.

m. "Secretary" shall mean the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services or his/her designee.

n. "Security Rule" shall mean the Security Standards for the Protection of Electronic Protected Health Information at 45 CFR Part 164, Subpart C, and amendments thereto.

o. "Unsecured Protected Health Information" means protected health information that is not secured by a technology standard that renders protected health information unusable, unreadable, or indecipherable to unauthorized individuals and is developed or endorsed by a standards developing organization that is accredited by the American National Standards Institute.

p. Other Definitions - All terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning established under 45 C.F.R. Parts 160, 162 and 164, as amended from time to time, and the HITECH
Act.

(2) **Business Associate Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information.**

a. Business Associate shall not use, disclose, maintain or transmit Protected Health Information (PHI) except as reasonably necessary to provide the services outlined under Exhibit A of the Agreement. Further, Business Associate, including but not limited to all its directors, officers, employees and agents, shall not use, disclose, maintain or transmit PHI in any manner that would constitute a violation of the Privacy and Security Rule.

b. Business Associate may use or disclose PHI:
   I. For the proper management and administration of the Business Associate;
   II. As required by law, pursuant to the terms set forth in paragraph d. below; or
   III. For data aggregation purposes for the health care operations of Covered Entity.

c. To the extent Business Associate is permitted under the Agreement to disclose PHI to a third party, Business Associate must obtain, prior to making any such disclosure, (i) reasonable assurances from the third party that such PHI will be held confidentially and used or further disclosed only as required by law or for the purpose for which it was disclosed to the third party; and (ii) an agreement from such third party to notify Business Associate, in accordance with the HIPAA Privacy, Security, and Breach Notification Rules of any breaches of the confidentiality of the PHI, to the extent it has obtained knowledge of such breach.

d. The Business Associate shall not, unless such disclosure is reasonably necessary to provide services under Exhibit A of the Agreement, disclose any PHI in response to a request for disclosure on the basis that it is required by law, without first notifying Covered Entity so that Covered Entity has an opportunity to object to the disclosure and to seek appropriate relief. If Covered Entity objects to such disclosure, the Business

Associate shall refrain from disclosing the PHI until Covered Entity has exhausted all remedies.

e. If the Covered Entity notifies the Business Associate that Covered Entity has agreed to be bound by additional restrictions over and above those uses or disclosures or security safeguards of PHI pursuant to the Privacy and Security Rule, the Business Associate shall be bound by such additional restrictions and shall not disclose PHI in violation of such additional restrictions and shall abide by any additional security safeguards.

(3) **Obligations and Activities of Business Associate.**

a. The Business Associate shall notify the Covered Entity's Privacy Officer immediately after the Business Associate becomes aware of any use or disclosure of protected health information not provided for by the Agreement including breaches of unsecured protected health information and/or any security incident that may have an impact on the protected health information of the Covered Entity.

b. The Business Associate shall immediately perform a risk assessment when it becomes aware of any of the above situations. The risk assessment shall include, but not be limited to:

- The nature and extent of the protected health information involved, including the types of identifiers and the likelihood of re-identification;
- The unauthorized person used the protected health information or to whom the disclosure was made;
- Whether the protected health information was actually acquired or viewed
- The extent to which the risk to the protected health information has been mitigated.

The Business Associate shall complete the risk assessment within 48 hours of the breach and immediately report the findings of the risk assessment in writing to the Covered Entity.

c. The Business Associate shall comply with all sections of the Privacy, Security, and Breach Notification Rule.

d. Business Associate shall make available all of its internal policies and procedures, books and records relating to the use and disclosure of PHI received from, or created or received by the Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity to the Secretary for purposes of determining Covered Entity's compliance with HIPAA and the Privacy and Security Rule.

e. Business Associate shall require all of its business associates that receive, use or have access to PHI under the Agreement, to agree in writing to adhere to the same restrictions and conditions on the use and disclosure of PHI contained herein, including the duty to return or destroy the PHI as provided under Section 3 (l). The Covered Entity shall be considered a direct third party beneficiary of the Contractor's business associate agreements with Contractor's intended business associates, who will be receiving PHI

pursuant to this Agreement, with rights of enforcement and indemnification from such business associates who shall be governed by standard Paragraph #13 of the standard contract provisions (P-37) of this Agreement for the purpose of use and disclosure of protected health information.

f. Within five (5) business days of receipt of a written request from Covered Entity, Business Associate shall make available during normal business hours at its offices all records, books, agreements, policies and procedures relating to the use and disclosure of PHI to the Covered Entity, for purposes of enabling Covered Entity to determine Business Associate's compliance with the terms of the Agreement.

g. Within ten (10) business days of receiving a written request from Covered Entity, Business Associate shall provide access to PHI in a Designated Record Set to the Covered Entity, or as directed by Covered Entity, to an individual in order to meet the requirements under 45 CFR Section 164.524.

h. Within ten (10) business days of receiving a written request from Covered Entity for an amendment of PHI or a record about an individual contained in a Designated Record Set, the Business Associate shall make such PHI available to Covered Entity for amendment and incorporate any such amendment to enable Covered Entity to fulfill its obligations under 45 CFR Section 164.526.

i. Business Associate shall document such disclosures of PHI and 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 Section 164.528.

j. Within ten (10) business days of receiving a written request from Covered Entity for a request for an accounting of disclosures of PHI, Business Associate shall make available to Covered Entity such information as Covered Entity may require to fulfill its obligations to provide an accounting of disclosures with respect to PHI in accordance with 45 CFR Section 164.528.

k. In the event any individual requests access to, amendment of, or accounting of PHI directly from the Business Associate, the Business Associate shall within two (2) business days forward such request to Covered Entity. Covered Entity shall have the responsibility of responding to forwarded requests. However, if forwarding the individual's request to Covered Entity would cause Covered Entity or the Business Associate to violate HIPAA and the Privacy and Security Rule, the Business Associate shall instead respond to the individual's request as required by such law and notify Covered Entity of such response as soon as practicable.

l. Within ten (10) business days of termination of the Agreement, for any reason, the Business Associate shall return or destroy, as specified by Covered Entity, all PHI received from, or created or received by the Business Associate in connection with the Agreement, and shall not retain any copies or back-up tapes of such PHI. If return or destruction is not feasible, or the disposition of the PHI has been otherwise agreed to in the Agreement, Business Associate shall continue to extend the protections of the Agreement, to such PHI and limit further uses and disclosures of such PHI to those purposes that make the return or destruction infeasible, for so long as Business

Associate maintains such PHI. If Covered Entity, in its sole discretion, requires that the Business Associate destroy any or all PHI, the Business Associate shall certify to Covered Entity that the PHI has been destroyed.

(4) Obligations of Covered Entity

a. Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any changes or limitation(s) in its Notice of Privacy Practices provided to individuals in accordance with 45 CFR Section 164.520, to the extent that such change or limitation may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI.

b. Covered Entity shall promptly notify Business Associate of any changes in, or revocation of permission provided to Covered Entity by individuals whose PHI may be used or disclosed by Business Associate under this Agreement, pursuant to 45 CFR Section 164.506 or 45 CFR Section 164.508.

c. Covered entity shall promptly notify Business Associate of any restrictions on the use or disclosure of PHI that Covered Entity has agreed to in accordance with 45 CFR 164.522, to the extent that such restriction may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI.

(5) Termination for Cause

In addition to Paragraph 10 of the standard terms and conditions (P-37) of this Agreement the Covered Entity may immediately terminate the Agreement upon Covered Entity's knowledge of a breach by Business Associate of the Business Associate Agreement set forth herein as Exhibit I. The Covered Entity may either immediately terminate the Agreement or provide an opportunity for Business Associate to cure the alleged breach within a timeframe specified by Covered Entity. If Covered Entity determines that neither termination nor cure is feasible, Covered Entity shall report the violation to the Secretary.

(6) Miscellaneous

a. Definitions and Regulatory References. All terms used, but not otherwise defined herein, shall have the same meaning as those terms in the Privacy and Security Rule, amended from time to time. A reference in the Agreement, as amended to include this Exhibit I, to a Section in the Privacy and Security Rule means the Section as in effect or as amended.

b. Amendment. Covered Entity and Business Associate agree to take such action as is necessary to amend the Agreement, from time to time as is necessary for Covered Entity to comply with the changes in the requirements of HIPAA, the Privacy and Security Rule, and applicable federal and state law.

c. Data Ownership. The Business Associate acknowledges that it has no ownership rights with respect to the PHI provided by or created on behalf of Covered Entity.

d. Interpretation. The parties agree that any ambiguity in the Agreement shall be resolved to permit Covered Entity to comply with HIPAA, the Privacy and Security Rule.

e. Segregation. If any term or condition of this Exhibit I or the application thereof to any person(s) or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other terms or conditions which can be given effect without the invalid term or condition; to this end the terms and conditions of this Exhibit I are declared severable.

f. Survival. Provisions in this Exhibit I regarding the use and disclosure of PHI, return or destruction of PHI, extensions of the protections of the Agreement in section (3) l, the defense and indemnification provisions of section (3) e and Paragraph 13 of the standard terms and conditions (P-37), shall survive the termination of the Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have duly executed this Exhibit I.

Department of Health and Human Services	DECLINE - NO VOLUNTARY BENEFITS PLEASE
The State	Name of the Contractor
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Signature of Authorized Representative	Signature of Authorized Representative
Ellen Marie Lapointe	Aslynn Romano
Name of Authorized Representative	Name of Authorized Representative
Chief Executive Officer	Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner
Title of Authorized Representative	Title of Authorized Representative
11/28/2022	11/23/2022
Date	Date

New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services

Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Services

Standard Exhibit J

The parties agree that the Department's Standard Exhibit J is not applicable to this Agreement.

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Contractor Initials DS AR

Date 11/23/2022

New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services

Exhibit K

DHHS Information Security Requirements

A. Definitions

The following terms may be reflected and have the described meaning in this document:

1. "Breach" means the loss of control, compromise, unauthorized disclosure, unauthorized acquisition, unauthorized access, or any similar term referring to situations where persons other than authorized users and for an other than authorized purpose have access or potential access to personally identifiable information, whether physical or electronic. With regard to Protected Health Information, " Breach" shall have the same meaning as the term "Breach" in section 164.402 of Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations.

2. "Computer Security Incident" shall have the same meaning "Computer Security Incident" in section two (2) of NIST Publication 800-61, Computer Security Incident Handling Guide, National Institute of Standards and Technology, U.S. Department of Commerce.

3. "Confidential Information" or "Confidential Data" means all confidential information disclosed by one party to the other such as all medical, health, financial, public assistance benefits and personal information including without limitation, Substance Abuse Treatment Records, Case Records, Protected Health Information and Personally Identifiable Information.

   Confidential Information also includes any and all information owned or managed by the State of NH - created, received from or on behalf of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) or accessed in the course of performing contracted services - of which collection, disclosure, protection, and disposition is governed by state or federal law or regulation. This information includes, but is not limited to Protected Health Information (PHI), Personal Information (PI), Personal Financial Information (PFI), Federal Tax Information (FTI), Social Security Numbers (SSN), Payment Card Industry (PCI), and or other sensitive and confidential information.

4. "End User" means any person or entity (e.g., contractor, contractor's employee, business associate, subcontractor, other downstream user, etc.) that receives DHHS data or derivative data in accordance with the terms of this Contract.

5. "HIPAA" means the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

6. "Incident" means an act that potentially violates an explicit or implied security policy, which includes attempts (either failed or successful) to gain unauthorized access to a system or its data, unwanted disruption or denial of service, the unauthorized use of a system for the processing or storage of data; and changes to system hardware, firmware, or software characteristics without the owner's knowledge, instruction, or consent. Incidents include the loss of data through theft or device misplacement, loss or misplacement of hardcopy documents, and misrouting of physical or electronic

mail, all of which may have the potential to put the data at risk of unauthorized access, use, disclosure, modification or destruction.

7. "Open Wireless Network" means any network or segment of a network that is not designated by the State of New Hampshire's Department of Information Technology or delegate as a protected network (designed, tested, and approved, by means of the State, to transmit) will be considered an open network and not adequately secure for the transmission of unencrypted PI, PFI, PHI or confidential DHHS data.

8. "Personal Information" (or "PI") means information which can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, such as their name, social security number, personal information as defined in New Hampshire RSA 359-C:19, biometric records, etc., alone, or when combined with other personal or identifying information which is linked or linkable to a specific individual, such as date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, etc.

9. "Privacy Rule" shall mean the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information at 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164, promulgated under HIPAA by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

10. "Protected Health Information" (or "PHI") has the same meaning as provided in the definition of "Protected Health Information" in the HIPAA Privacy Rule at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.

11. "Security Rule" shall mean the Security Standards for the Protection of Electronic Protected Health Information at 45 C.F.R. Part 164, Subpart C, and amendments thereto.

12. "Unsecured Protected Health Information" means Protected Health Information that is not secured by a technology standard that renders Protected Health Information unusable, unreadable, or indecipherable to unauthorized individuals and is developed or endorsed by a standards developing organization that is accredited by the American National Standards Institute.

I. RESPONSIBILITIES OF DHHS AND THE CONTRACTOR

A. Business Use and Disclosure of Confidential Information.

1. The Contractor must not use, disclose, maintain or transmit Confidential Information except as reasonably necessary as outlined under this Contract. Further, Contractor, including but not limited to all its directors, officers, employees and agents, must not use, disclose, maintain or transmit PHI in any manner that would constitute a violation of the Privacy and Security Rule.

2. The Contractor must not disclose any Confidential Information in response to a

request for disclosure on the basis that it is required by law, in response to a subpoena, etc., without first notifying DHHS so that DHHS has an opportunity to consent or object to the disclosure.

3. If DHHS notifies the Contractor that DHHS has agreed to be bound by additional restrictions over and above those uses or disclosures or security safeguards of PHI pursuant to the Privacy and Security Rule, the Contractor must be bound by such additional restrictions and must not disclose PHI in violation of such additional restrictions and must abide by any additional security safeguards.
4. The Contractor agrees that DHHS Data or derivative there from disclosed to an End User must only be used pursuant to the terms of this Contract.
5. The Contractor agrees DHHS Data obtained under this Contract may not be used for any other purposes that are not indicated in this Contract.
6. The Contractor agrees to grant access to the data to the authorized representatives of DHHS for the purpose of inspecting to confirm compliance with the terms of this Contract.

II. METHODS OF SECURE TRANSMISSION OF DATA

1. Application Encryption. If End User is transmitting DHHS data containing Confidential Data between applications, the Contractor attests the applications have been evaluated by an expert knowledgeable in cyber security and that said application's encryption capabilities ensure secure transmission via the internet.
2. Computer Disks and Portable Storage Devices. End User may not use computer disks or portable storage devices, such as a thumb drive, as a method of transmitting DHHS data.
3. Encrypted Email. End User may only employ email to transmit Confidential Data if email is encrypted and being sent to and being received by email addresses of persons authorized to receive such information.
4. Encrypted Web Site. If End User is employing the Web to transmit Confidential Data, the secure socket layers (SSL) must be used and the web site must be secure. SSL encrypts data transmitted via a Web site.
5. File Hosting Services, also known as File Sharing Sites. End User may not use file hosting services, such as Dropbox or Google Cloud Storage, to transmit Confidential Data.
6. Ground Mail Service. End User may only transmit Confidential Data via *certified* ground mail within the continental U.S. and when sent to a named individual.
7. Laptops and PDA. If End User is employing portable devices to transmit Confidential Data said devices must be encrypted and password-protected.
8. Open Wireless Networks. End User may not transmit Confidential Data via an open

wireless network. End User must employ a virtual private network (VPN) when remotely transmitting via an open wireless network.

9. Remote User Communication. If End User is employing remote communication to access or transmit Confidential Data, a virtual private network (VPN) must be installed on the End User's mobile device(s) or laptop from which information will be transmitted or accessed.

10. SSH File Transfer Protocol (SFTP), also known as Secure File Transfer Protocol. If End User is employing an SFTP to transmit Confidential Data, End User will structure the Folder and access privileges to prevent inappropriate disclosure of information. SFTP folders and sub-folders used for transmitting Confidential Data will be coded for 24-hour auto-deletion cycle (i.e. Confidential Data will be deleted every 24 hours).

11. Wireless Devices. If End User is transmitting Confidential Data via wireless devices, all data must be encrypted to prevent inappropriate disclosure of information.

III. RETENTION AND DISPOSITION OF IDENTIFIABLE RECORDS

The Contractor will only retain the data and any derivative of the data for the duration of this Contract. After such time, the Contractor will have 30 days to destroy the data and any derivative in whatever form it may exist, unless, otherwise required by law or permitted under this Contract. To this end, the parties must:

A. Retention

1. The Contractor agrees it will not store, transfer or process data collected in connection with the services rendered under this Contract outside of the United States. This physical location requirement shall also apply in the implementation of cloud computing, cloud service or cloud storage capabilities, and includes backup data and Disaster Recovery locations.

2. The Contractor agrees to ensure proper security monitoring capabilities are in place to detect potential security events that can impact State of NH systems and/or Department confidential information for contractor provided systems.

3. The Contractor agrees to provide security awareness and education for its End Users in support of protecting Department confidential information.

4. The Contractor agrees to retain all electronic and hard copies of Confidential Data in a secure location and identified in section IV. A.2

5. The Contractor agrees Confidential Data stored in a Cloud must be in a FedRAMP/HITECH compliant solution and comply with all applicable statutes and regulations regarding the privacy and security. All servers and devices must have currently-supported and hardened operating systems, the latest anti-viral, anti-hacker, anti-spam, anti-spyware, and anti-malware utilities. The environment, as a

whole, must have aggressive intrusion-detection and firewall protection.

6. The Contractor agrees to and ensures its complete cooperation with the State's Chief Information Officer in the detection of any security vulnerability of the hosting infrastructure.

B. Disposition

1. If the Contractor will maintain any Confidential Information on its systems (or its sub-contractor systems), the Contractor will maintain a documented process for securely disposing of such data upon request or contract termination; and will obtain written certification for any State of New Hampshire data destroyed by the Contractor or any subcontractors as a part of ongoing, emergency, and or disaster recovery operations. When no longer in use, electronic media containing State of New Hampshire data shall be rendered unrecoverable via a secure wipe program in accordance with industry-accepted standards for secure deletion and media sanitization, or otherwise physically destroying the media (for example, degaussing) as described in NIST Special Publication 800-88, Rev 1, Guidelines for Media Sanitization, National Institute of Standards and Technology, U. S. Department of Commerce. The Contractor will document and certify in writing at time of the data destruction, and will provide written certification to the Department upon request. The written certification will include all details necessary to demonstrate data has been properly destroyed and validated. Where applicable, regulatory and professional standards for retention requirements will be jointly evaluated by the State and Contractor prior to destruction.

2. Unless otherwise specified, within thirty (30) days of the termination of this Contract, Contractor agrees to destroy all hard copies of Confidential Data using a secure method such as shredding.

3. Unless otherwise specified, within thirty (30) days of the termination of this Contract, Contractor agrees to completely destroy all electronic Confidential Data by means of data erasure, also known as secure data wiping.

IV. PROCEDURES FOR SECURITY

A. Contractor agrees to safeguard the DHHS Data received under this Contract, and any derivative data or files, as follows:

1. The Contractor will maintain proper security controls to protect Department confidential information collected, processed, managed, and/or stored in the delivery of contracted services.

2. The Contractor will maintain policies and procedures to protect Department confidential information throughout the information lifecycle, where applicable, (from creation, transformation, use, storage and secure destruction) regardless of the media used to store the data (i.e., tape, disk, paper, etc.).

3. The Contractor will maintain appropriate authentication and access controls to contractor systems that collect, transmit, or store Department confidential information where applicable.

4. The Contractor will ensure proper security monitoring capabilities are in place to detect potential security events that can impact State of NH systems and/or Department confidential information for contractor provided systems.

5. The Contractor will provide regular security awareness and education for its End Users in support of protecting Department confidential information.

6. If the Contractor will be sub-contracting any core functions of the engagement supporting the services for State of New Hampshire, the Contractor will maintain a program of an internal process or processes that defines specific security expectations, and monitoring compliance to security requirements that at a minimum match those for the Contractor, including breach notification requirements.

7. The Contractor will work with the Department to sign and comply with all applicable State of New Hampshire and Department system access and authorization policies and procedures, systems access forms, and computer use agreements as part of obtaining and maintaining access to any Department system(s). Agreements will be completed and signed by the Contractor and any applicable sub-contractors prior to system access being authorized.

8. If the Department determines the Contractor is a Business Associate pursuant to 45 CFR 160.103, the Contractor will execute a HIPAA Business Associate Agreement (BAA) with the Department and is responsible for maintaining compliance with the agreement.

9. The Contractor will work with the Department at its request to complete a System Management Survey. The purpose of the survey is to enable the Department and Contractor to monitor for any changes in risks, threats, and vulnerabilities that may occur over the life of the Contractor engagement. The survey will be completed annually, or an alternate time frame at the Departments discretion with agreement by the Contractor, or the Department may request the survey be completed when the scope of the engagement between the Department and the Contractor changes.

10. The Contractor will not store, knowingly or unknowingly, any State of New Hampshire or Department data offshore or outside the boundaries of the United States unless prior express written consent is obtained from the Information Security Office leadership member within the Department.

11. Data Security Breach Liability. In the event of any security breach Contractor shall make efforts to investigate the causes of the breach, promptly take measures to prevent future breach and minimize any damage or loss resulting from the breach. The State shall recover from the Contractor all costs of response and recovery from

the breach, including but not limited to: credit monitoring services, mailing costs and costs associated with website and telephone call center services necessary due to the breach.

12. Contractor must, comply with all applicable statutes and regulations regarding the privacy and security of Confidential Information, and must in all other respects maintain the privacy and security of PI and PHI at a level and scope that is not less than the level and scope of requirements applicable to federal agencies, including, but not limited to, provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. § 552a), DHHS Privacy Act Regulations (45 C.F.R. §5b), HIPAA Privacy and Security Rules (45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164) that govern protections for individually identifiable health information and as applicable under State law.

13. Contractor agrees to establish and maintain appropriate administrative, technical, and physical safeguards to protect the confidentiality of the Confidential Data and to prevent unauthorized use or access to it. The safeguards must provide a level and scope of security that is not less than the level and scope of security requirements established by the State of New Hampshire, Department of Information Technology. Refer to Vendor Resources/Procurement at https://www.nh.gov/doit/vendor/index.htm for the Department of Information Technology' policies, guidelines, standards, and procurement information relating to vendors.

14. Contractor agrees to maintain a documented breach notification and incident response process. The Contractor will notify the State's Privacy Officer and the State's Security Officer of any security breach immediately, at the email addresses provided in Section VI. This includes a confidential information breach, computer security incident, or suspected breach which affects or includes any State of New Hampshire systems that connect to the State of New Hampshire network.

15. Contractor must restrict access to the Confidential Data obtained under this Contract to only those authorized End Users who need such DHHS Data to perform their official duties in connection with purposes identified in this Contract.

16. The Contractor must ensure that all End Users:

    a. comply with such safeguards as referenced in Section IV A. above, implemented to protect Confidential Information that is furnished by DHHS under this Contract from loss, theft or inadvertent disclosure.

    b. safeguard this information at all times.

    c. ensure that laptops and other electronic devices/media containing PHI, PI, or PFI are encrypted and password-protected.

    d. send emails containing Confidential Information only if encrypted and being sent to and being received by email addresses of persons authorized to receive such information.

e. limit disclosure of the Confidential Information to the extent permitted by law.

f. Confidential Information received under this Contract and individually identifiable data derived from DHHS Data, must be stored in an area that is physically and technologically secure from access by unauthorized persons during duty hours as well as non-duty hours (e.g., door locks, card keys, biometric identifiers, etc.).

g. only authorized End Users may transmit the Confidential Data, including any derivative files containing personally identifiable information, and in all cases, such data must be encrypted at all times when in transit, at rest, or when stored on portable media as required in section IV above.

h. in all other instances Confidential Data must be maintained, used and disclosed using appropriate safeguards, as determined by a risk-based assessment of the circumstances involved.

i. understand that their user credentials (user name and password) must not be shared with anyone. End Users will keep their credential information secure. This applies to credentials used to access the site directly or indirectly through a third party application.

Contractor is responsible for oversight and compliance of their End Users. DHHS reserves the right to conduct onsite inspections to monitor compliance with this Contract, including the privacy and security requirements provided in herein, HIPAA, and other applicable laws and Federal regulations until such time the Confidential Data is disposed of in accordance with this Contract.

V. LOSS REPORTING

The Contractor must notify the State's Privacy Officer and Security Officer of any Security Incidents and Breaches immediately, at the email addresses provided in Section VI.

The Contractor must further handle and report Incidents and Breaches involving PHI in accordance with the agency's documented Incident Handling and Breach Notification procedures and in accordance with 42 C.F.R. §§ 431.300 - 306. In addition to, and notwithstanding, Contractor's compliance with all applicable obligations and procedures, Contractor's procedures must also address how the Contractor will:

1. Identify Incidents;
2. Determine if personally identifiable information is involved in Incidents;
3. Report suspected or confirmed Incidents as required in this Exhibit or P-37;
4. Identify and convene a core response group to determine the risk level of Incidents and determine risk-based responses to Incidents; and

5. Determine whether Breach notification is required, and, if so, identify appropriate Breach notification methods, timing, source, and contents from among different options, and bear costs associated with the Breach notice as well as any mitigation measures.

Incidents and/or Breaches that implicate PI must be addressed and reported, as applicable, in accordance with NH RSA 359-C:20.

VI. PERSONS TO CONTACT

A. DHHS Privacy Officer:

DHHSPrivacyOfficer@dhhs.nh.gov

B. DHHS Security Officer:

DHHSInformationSecurityOffice@dhhs.nh.gov