

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

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This Agreement is entered into by and between the City of San Antonio, a Texas Municipal Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "City"), on behalf of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (hereafter referred to as "Metro Health"), acting by and through the Director of Metro Health, pursuant to Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_ and The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler (hereinafter referred to as "CONTRACTOR"), an institution of The University of Texas System ("System") and an agency of the State of Texas. City and CONTRACTOR may be referred to herein collectively as the "Parties".

The Parties hereto severally and collectively agree, and by the execution hereof are bound, to the mutual obligations herein contained and to the performance and accomplishment of the tasks hereinafter described.

**WHEREAS**, the City's Tuberculosis (TB) Prevention and Control Program within Metro Health provides examination, diagnosis and treatment for individuals suspected or confirmed with active tuberculosis disease and latent TB infections; and

**WHEREAS**, Metro Health also provides screening and preventive medicine for those with a known exposure to TB or those from high risk populations; and

**WHEREAS**, additional services offered include case management, contact investigation and community intervention with prevention measures in order to reduce the rates and control the spread of TB disease; and

**WHEREAS**, CONTRACTOR is one of five regional training and medical consultation universities in the United States funded by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's Division of TB Elimination; and

**WHEREAS**, CONTRACTOR provides medical consultation services related to various aspects of TB control; and

**NOW THEREFORE**, this Agreement defines the terms between the City and CONTRACTOR for the provision of physician medical services by CONTRACTOR for active TB cases.

### **I.** **DEFINITIONS**

As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have meanings as set out below:

"City" is defined in the preamble of this Agreement and includes its successors and assigns.

"CONTRACTOR" is defined in the preamble of this Agreement and includes its successors.

"Director" shall mean the director of City's San Antonio Metropolitan Health District. "Project or

Program" shall mean the general scope of services of this Agreement.

## **II. TERM**

2.1 Unless sooner terminated in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the term of this Agreement shall commence on October 1, 2016, and shall terminate on September 30, 2017. This Agreement may be renewed by mutual consent of the parties for up to one (1) (1) year term ( a "Renewal Term"). Any renewals shall be in writing, and signed by the parties. The City Manager, her designee, or the Director of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District shall have the authority to execute renewals on behalf of the City without further City Council action, subject to appropriation of funds therefore.

2.2 It is expressly understood and agreed by the City and CONTRACTOR that City's obligations under this Agreement are contingent upon the actual receipt of adequate funds to meet the City's liability hereunder. Lack of funding is not and shall not be considered a breach of this Agreement. If City does not receive adequate funds to pay obligations under this Agreement, then this Agreement shall terminate and neither CONTRACTOR nor City shall have any further obligations hereunder.

## **III. SCOPE OF SERVICES**

3.1 CONTRACTOR agrees to provide the services described in this Article III entitled Scope of Services in exchange for the compensation described in Article IV Compensation.

3.2 CONTRACTOR agrees to provide a Licensed Medical Physician (Physician) specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of TB to provide services at the Metro Health City Chest Clinic (Clinic) as described in this Article III. CONTRACTOR may change Physicians but shall ensure one of its Physicians is available during clinic hours. CONTRACTOR shall ensure a Physician is available for consultations by telephone during periods when the physical presence of a Physician cannot be provided. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide a minimum of ten (10) business day notice if unable to provide coverage, with the exception of an unforeseen emergency.

3.3 CONTRACTOR agrees to notify City upon identifying the Physicians who shall provide services as described in this Article III so City may ensure any Physicians performing services are credentialed for filing claims and billing with Metro Health.

3.4 CONTRACTOR agrees to perform the following services:

3.4.1 CONTRACTOR shall provide through the services of a Physician specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of TB the following professional physician medical services to include:

- a. Providing clinical service coverage and patient care for the Clinic for all active TB cases and active TB case contacts referred to the Clinic which includes persons identified as having exposure to known active TB cases and are at risk for being infected or developing TB disease. Active TB case contacts identified as having a latent tuberculosis infection will be referred for services and treatment and shall not be provided treatment services under this Agreement. Medical and clinical services will include but not be limited to: guiding the treatment of active tuberculosis utilizing available resources including mycobacterial cultures, genotyping, drug susceptibility testing, radiographic facilities, first and second-line drugs. Services to be provided include organization and supervision of treatment, utilizing recommended treatment regimens, initiating treatment, conducting appropriate baseline and follow-up evaluations, identification and management of patients at increased risk of treatment failure and relapse, as well as providing treatment in special situations such as HIV infection, diabetes, children, extrapulmonary tuberculosis, pregnancy, or liver disease.
- b. Providing non-treatment activities to include but not limited to, Board and Cohort review. Non-treatment activities could also include professional guidance and recommendations for the investigation of contacts or persons with infectious tuberculosis. Examples could include input on decisions to initiate or expand a contact investigation, investigating sites of transmission, assigning priorities to contacts, and conducting contact investigations in special circumstances such as outbreaks, congregate settings, correctional facilities, health-care settings, schools, or shelters.

3.5 All work performed by CONTRACTOR hereunder shall be performed to the satisfaction of Director. The determination made by Director shall be final, binding and conclusive on all Parties hereto. City shall be under no obligation to pay for any work performed by CONTRACTOR, which is not satisfactory to Director. City shall have the right to terminate this Agreement, in accordance with Article VII Termination, in whole or in part, should CONTRACTOR's work not be satisfactory to Director; however, City shall have no obligation to terminate and may withhold payment for any unsatisfactory work, as stated herein, even should City elect not to terminate.

#### IV. **COMPENSATION TO CONTRACTOR**

4.1 In consideration of CONTRACTOR's performance in a satisfactory and efficient manner, as determined solely by Director, of all services and activities set forth in this Agreement, City agrees to pay CONTRACTOR an amount not to exceed ONE HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$120,000.00) as total compensation to be paid to CONTRACTOR in the manner set forth in Section 4.2.

4.2 City agrees to pay CONTRACTOR upon receipt of an invoice submitted in accordance with this section. CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices monthly in the amount of \$10,000.00 throughout the term of this Agreement. Each invoice shall outline the work completed during the previous period in accordance with the stated scope of work for the contract term described in Article III above and the amount due and owing. City shall pay the invoice from CONTRACTOR within 30 days after the date on which City receives the invoice. The total payments hereunder shall not exceed the amount set forth in Section 4.1 above, without prior approval and agreement of all parties, evidenced in writing.

4.3 Invoices shall include Purchase Order number provided by City and submit via email to City's Accounts Payable inbox ([ap@sanantonio.gov](mailto:ap@sanantonio.gov)) or by mail at the following address:

City of San Antonio  
Attn: Accounts Payable  
PO Box 839976  
San Antonio, TX 78283-3976

4.4 No additional fees or expenses of CONTRACTOR shall be charged by CONTRACTOR nor be payable by City. The parties hereby agree that all compensable expenses of CONTRACTOR have been provided for in the total payment to CONTRACTOR as specified in Section 4.1 above. Total payments to CONTRACTOR cannot exceed that amount set forth in Section 4.1 above, without prior approval and agreement of all Parties, evidenced in writing and approved by the San Antonio City Council by passage of an ordinance therefore.

4.5 Final acceptance of work products and services require written approval by City, as determined by the Director as the City's approval official. Payment will be made to CONTRACTOR following written approval of the final work products and services by Director. City shall not be obligated or liable under this Agreement to any party, other than CONTRACTOR, for the payment of any monies or the provision of any goods or services.

4.6 All services required under this Agreement will be performed to City's satisfaction, and City will not be liable for any payment under this Agreement for services which are unsatisfactory and which have not been approved by City. The payment for services provided hereunder will not be paid until required reports, data, and documentation have been received and approved by the City, as determined by the Director as the City's approval official.

## **V.**

### **OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS**

5.1 Ownership of Intellectual Property. CONTRACTOR and City agree that any and all writings, documents, maps or information in whatsoever form and character produced by CONTRACTOR pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement (the "Project") shall be and remain the sole and exclusive proprietary property of City. The Project shall be deemed a "work for hire" within the meaning of the copyright laws of the United States, and ownership of the Project and all rights therein shall be solely vested in City. CONTRACTOR hereby grants, sells, assigns, and conveys to City all rights in and to the Project and the tangible and intangible property rights relating to or arising out of the Project, including, without limitation, any and all copyright, patent and trade secret rights. All intellectual property rights including, without limitation, patent, copyright, trade secret, trademark, brand name, color schemes, designs, screens, displays, user interfaces, data structures, organization, sequences of operation, trade dress, and other proprietary rights (the "Intellectual Property Rights") in the Project shall be solely vested in City. As owner of the tangible and intangible intellectual property, City shall have the right to reproduce, publish, authorize others to reproduce or publish, or otherwise use such material. CONTRACTOR agrees to execute all documents reasonably requested by City to perfect and establish City's right to the intellectual Property Rights. In the event City shall be unable, after reasonable effort, to secure CONTRACTOR'S signature on any documents relating to Intellectual Property Rights in the Project, including without limitation, any letters, patent, copyright, or other protection relating to Project, for any reason whatsoever, CONTRACTOR

hereby irrevocably designates and appoints City and its duly authorized officers and agents as CONTRACTOR's agent and attorney-in-fact, to act for and in CONTRACTOR's behalf and stead to execute and file any such application or applications and to do all other lawfully permitted acts to further the prosecution and issuance of letters patent, copyright or other analogous protection thereon with the same legal force and effect as if executed by CONTRACTOR. Provided, however, nothing herein contained is intended nor shall it be construed to require CONTRACTOR to transfer any ownership interest in CONTRACTOR's best practice and benchmarking information to the City.

5.2 In the event that CONTRACTOR desires to copyright material or to permit any third-party to do so, CONTRACTOR must obtain City's prior written approval to do so and must appropriately acknowledge City's support in any such materials.

5.3 CONTRACTOR shall not use any City data or information collected, or observed during the term of this Agreement for publication, or reviews or presentations unless approval is obtained in writing from the City.

5.4 In accordance with Texas law, CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that all local government records as defined in Chapter 201, Section 201.003 (8) of the Texas Local Government Code created or received in the transaction of official business or the creation or maintenance of which were paid for with public funds are declared to be public property and subject to the provisions of Chapter 201 of the Texas Local Government Code and Subchapter J, Chapter 441 of the Texas Government Code. Thus, CONTRACTOR agrees that no such local government records produced by or on the behalf of CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement shall be the subject of any copyright or proprietary claim by CONTRACTOR.

## **VI.**

### **REQUESTS FOR and RETENTION of RECORDS**

6.1 CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors, if any, shall properly, accurately and completely maintain all documents, papers, and records, and other evidence pertaining to the services rendered hereunder (hereafter referred to as "documents"), and shall make such materials available to the City at their respective offices, at all reasonable times and as often as City may deem necessary during the Agreement period, including any extension or renewal hereof, and the record retention period established herein, for purposes of audit, inspection, examination, and making excerpts or copies of same by City and any of its authorized representatives.

6.2 CONTRACTOR shall retain any and all documents produced as a result of services provided hereunder for a period of four (4) years (hereafter referred to as "retention period") from the date of termination of the Agreement. If, at the end of the retention period, there is litigation or other questions arising from, involving or concerning this documentation or the services provided hereunder, CONTRACTOR shall retain the records until the resolution of such litigation or other such questions. CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that City shall have access to any and all such documents at any and all times, as deemed necessary by City, during said retention period. City may, at its election, require CONTRACTOR to return said documents to City prior to or at the conclusion of said retention.

6.3 The Public Information Act, Government Code Section 552.021, requires the City to make public information available to the public. Under Government Code Section 552.002(a), public

information means information that is collected, assembled or maintained under a law or ordinance or in connection with the transaction of official business: 1) by a governmental body; or 2) for a governmental body and the governmental body owns the information or has a right of access to it. Therefore, if Contractor receives inquiries regarding documents within its possession pursuant to this Contract, Contractor shall within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving the requests forward such requests to City for disposition. If the requested information is confidential pursuant to state or federal law, the Contractor shall submit to City the list of specific statutory authority mandating confidentiality no later than three (3) business days of Contractor's receipt of such request. For the purposes of communicating and coordinating with regard to public information requests, all communications shall be made to the designated public information liaison for each Party. Each Party shall designate in writing to the other Party the public information liaison for its organization and notice of a change in the designated liaison shall be made promptly to the other Party.

## **VII.**

### **TERMINATION**

7.1 For purposes of this Agreement, "termination" of this Agreement shall mean termination by expiration of the Agreement term as stated in Article II Term, or earlier termination pursuant to any of the provisions hereof.

7.2 Termination Without Cause. This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon 30 calendar days written notice, which notice shall be provided in accordance with Article VIII Notice.

7.3 Termination For Cause. Upon written notice, which notice shall be provided in accordance with Article VIII. Notice, City may terminate this Agreement as of the date provided in the notice, in whole or in part, upon the occurrence of one (1) or more of the following events, each of which shall constitute an Event for Cause under this Agreement:

7.3.1 The sale, transfer, pledge, conveyance or assignment of this Agreement without prior approval, as provided in Article XII. Assignment and Subcontracting.

7.4 Defaults With Opportunity for Cure. Should CONTRACTOR default in the performance of this Agreement in a manner stated in this section 7.4 below, same shall be considered an event of default. City shall deliver written notice of said default specifying such matter(s) in default. CONTRACTOR shall have ten (10) business days after receipt of the written notice, in accordance with Article VIII. Notice, to cure such default. If CONTRACTOR fails to cure the default within such ten-day cure period, City shall have the right, without further notice, to terminate this Agreement in whole or in part as City deems appropriate, and to contract with another contractor to complete the work required in this Agreement. City shall also have the right to offset the cost of said new Agreement with a new contractor against CONTRACTOR's future or unpaid invoice(s), subject to the duty on the part of City to mitigate its losses to the extent required by law.

7.4.1 The sale, transfer, pledge, conveyance or assignment of this Agreement without prior approval, as provided in Article XII. Assignment and Subcontracting;

7.4.2 Bankruptcy or selling substantially all of company's assets;

7.4.3 Failing to perform or failing to comply with any covenant herein required;

7.4.4 Performing unsatisfactorily as determined by City;

7.4.5 The failure to meet reporting requirements as set out and determined by City;

7.4.6 Notification of any investigation, claim or charge by a local, state or federal agency involving fraud, theft or the commission of a felony.

7.5 Termination By Law. If any state or federal law or regulation is enacted or promulgated which prohibits the performance of any of the duties herein, or, if any law is interpreted to prohibit such performance, this Agreement shall automatically terminate as of the effective date of such prohibition.

7.6 Regardless of how this Agreement is terminated, CONTRACTOR shall affect an orderly transfer to City or to such person(s) or firm(s) as the City may designate, at no additional cost to City, all completed or partially completed documents, papers, records, charts, reports, and any other materials or information produced as a result of or pertaining to the services rendered by CONTRACTOR, or provided to CONTRACTOR, hereunder, regardless of storage medium, if so requested by City, or shall otherwise be retained by CONTRACTOR in accordance with Article VI. Records Retention. Any record transfer shall be completed within thirty (30) calendar days of a written request by City and shall be completed at CONTRACTOR's sole cost and expense. Payment of compensation due or to become due to CONTRACTOR is conditioned upon delivery of all such documents, if requested.

7.7 Within thirty (30) calendar days of the effective date of completion, or termination or expiration of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall submit to City its claims, in detail, for the monies owed by City for services performed under this Agreement through the effective date of termination. Failure by CONTRACTOR to submit its claims within said thirty (30) calendar days shall negate any liability on the part of City and constitute a **Waiver** by CONTRACTOR of any and all right or claims to collect moneys that CONTRACTOR may rightfully be otherwise entitled to for services performed pursuant to this Agreement.

7.8 Upon the effective date of expiration or termination of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall cease all operations of work being performed by CONTRACTOR or any of its subcontractors pursuant to this Agreement.

7.9 Termination not sole remedy. In no event shall City's action of terminating this Agreement, whether for cause or otherwise, be deemed an election of City's remedies, nor shall such termination limit, in any way, at law or at equity, City's right to seek damages from or otherwise pursue CONTRACTOR for any default hereunder or other action.

**VIII.**  
**NOTICE**

8.1 Except where the terms of this Agreement expressly provide otherwise, any election, notice or communication required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be in writing and deemed to have been duly given if and when delivered personally (with receipt acknowledged), or three (3) days after depositing same in the U.S. mail, first class, with proper postage prepaid, or upon receipt if sending the same by certified mail, return receipt requested, or upon receipt when sent by a commercial courier service (such as Federal Express or DHL Worldwide Express) for expedited delivery to be confirmed in writing by such courier, at the addresses set forth below or to such other address as either party may from time to time designate in writing.

If intended for City, to:

City Clerk	AND	City of San Antonio
City of San Antonio		Director, San Antonio Metropolitan Health District
P.O. Box 839966		332 W. Commerce, Suite 307
San Antonio, Texas 78283-3966		San Antonio, Texas 78205

If intended for CONTRACTOR, to:

Jeff Levin, MD  
Vice President for Clinical and Academic Affairs  
11937 US Hwy 271  
Tyler, TX 75708-3154

**IX.**  
**RESERVED**

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**AUDIT**

10.2 The City reserves the right to conduct, or cause to be conducted an audit or review of all funds received under this Agreement during normal business hours with advanced written notice as deemed necessary by City, not to exceed two times per 12 month period. The City Internal Audit Staff, a Certified Public Accounting (CPA) firm, or other personnel as designated by the City, may perform such audit(s) or reviews. The City reserves the right to determine the scope of every audit. In accordance herewith, CONTRACTOR agrees to make available to City all accounting and Project records. CONTRACTOR acknowledges that this provision shall not limit the City from additional follow-up to audits or reviews, as necessary, or from investigating items of concern that may be brought to the City's attention which are other than routine.

10.3 CONTRACTOR shall during normal business hours with advance written notice, and not



to exceed two times per twelve month period by City and/or the applicable state or federal governing agency or any other auditing entity, make available the books, records, documents, reports, and evidence with respect to all matters covered by this Agreement and shall continue to be so available for a minimum period of three (3) years or whatever period is determined necessary based on the Records Retention guidelines, established by applicable law for this Agreement. Said records shall be maintained for the required period beginning immediately after Agreement termination, save and except there is litigation or if the audit report covering such agreement has not been accepted, then the CONTRACTOR shall retain the records until the resolution of such issues has satisfactorily occurred. The auditing entity shall have the authority to audit, examine and make excerpts, transcripts, and copies from all such books, records, documents and evidence, including all books and records used by CONTRACTOR in accounting for expenses incurred under this Agreement, all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, records of personnel, conditions of employment and other data relating to matters covered by this Agreement.

10.4 When an audit or examination determines that the CONTRACTOR has expended funds or incurred costs which are questioned by the City and/or the applicable state or federal governing agency, the CONTRACTOR shall be notified and provided an opportunity to address the questioned expenditure or costs.

10.5 Should any expense or charge that has been reimbursed be subsequently disapproved or disallowed as a result of any site review or audit, the CONTRACTOR will promptly refund such amount to the City no later than thirty (30) business days from the date of notification of such disapproval or disallowance by the City. At its sole option, Metro Health may instead deduct such undisputed claims from subsequent reimbursements under this Agreement; however, in the absence of prior notice by City of the exercise of such option, CONTRACTOR shall provide to City a full refund of such amount no later than thirty (30) business days from the date of notification of such disapproval or disallowance by the City. If CONTRACTOR is obligated under the provision hereof to refund a disapproved or disallowed cost incurred, such refund shall be required and be made to City by check, cashier's check or money order. Should the City, at its sole discretion, deduct such undisputed claims from subsequent reimbursements, the CONTRACTOR is forbidden from reducing Project expenditures and CONTRACTOR must use its own funds to maintain the Project.

10.6 CONTRACTOR agrees and understands that all expenses, fees, and penalties associated with the collection of delinquent debts owed by CONTRACTOR shall be the sole responsibility of the CONTRACTOR and shall not be paid from any Project funds received by the CONTRACTOR under this Agreement. Delinquent debts that would otherwise be identified as allowable costs may be paid with Project funds with approval of Metro Health.

## **XI.**

### **ADMINISTRATION OF AGREEMENT and RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF FUNDS**

11.1 Metro Health is assigned monitoring, fiscal control, and evaluation of certain projects funded by the City with general or grant funds, including the Project covered by this Agreement. Therefore, CONTRACTOR agrees to permit City and/or State to evaluate, through monitoring, reviews, inspection or other means, the quality, appropriateness, and timeliness of services delivered under this Agreement and to assess CONTRACTOR's compliance with applicable legal

and programmatic requirements. At such times and in such form as may be required by Metro Health, the CONTRACTOR shall furnish to Metro Health and the Grantor of the Funds, if applicable, such statements, reports, records, data, all policies and procedures and information as may be requested by Metro Health and shall permit the City and Grantor of the Funds, if applicable, to have interviews with its personnel, board members and program participants pertaining to the matters covered by this Agreement. CONTRACTOR agrees that the failure of the City to monitor, evaluate, or provide guidance and direction shall not relieve the CONTRACTOR of any liability to the City for failure to comply with the Terms of the Project or the terms of this Agreement.

11.2 Unless disclosure is authorized by the City, CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain in confidence all information pertaining to the Project or other information and materials prepared for, provided by, or obtained from City including, without limitation, reports, information, project evaluation, project designs, other related information (collectively, the "Confidential Information") and to use the Confidential Information for the sole purpose of performing its obligations pursuant to this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall protect the Confidential Information and shall take all reasonable steps to prevent the unauthorized disclosure, dissemination, or publication of the Confidential Information. If disclosure is required (i) by law or (ii) by order of a governmental agency or court of competent jurisdiction, CONTRACTOR shall, where possible, give the Director of Metro Health prior written notice that such disclosure is required with a full and complete description regarding such requirement. CONTRACTOR certifies that it has established specific procedures designed to meet the obligations of this Article, including, but not limited to execution of agreements regarding the treatment of Confidential Information with CONTRACTOR's employees and subcontractors prior to any disclosure of the Confidential Information. This Article shall not be construed to limit the State's or the City's or its authorized representatives' right to obtain copies, review and audit records or other information, confidential or otherwise, under this Agreement. Upon termination or expiration of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall return to City all copies of materials related to the Project, including the Confidential Information. All confidential obligations contained herein (including those pertaining to information transmitted orally) shall survive the termination of this Agreement for the period noted above. The Parties shall ensure that their respective employees, agents, and contractors are aware of and shall comply with the aforementioned obligations. The foregoing shall not apply when, after and to the extent the Confidential Information disclosed, as documented by competent evidence:

- A. is not disclosed in writing or reduced to writing and marked with an appropriate confidentiality legend within thirty (30) days after disclosure; is already in the recipient party's possession at the time of disclosure as evidenced by written records in the possession of the receiving party prior to such time;
- B. is or later becomes part public domain through no fault of recipient party;

- C. is received from a third party having no obligations of confidentiality to the disclosing party;
- D. is independently developed by the recipient party by its personnel having no access to the Confidential Information.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with standard practices of confidentiality of patient information as required by Metro Health and mandated by The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and Texas State privacy laws. CONTRACTOR will enter into a Business Associate Agreement with the City which is attached hereto as Attachment and incorporated herein as part of this Agreement for all purposes.

City policies regarding authorization for access to confidential information and review of medical records will be followed by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR assumes full responsibility for any breach of confidence by its staff or its participating medical professionals with regard to activities under this Agreement.

11.3 Prohibited Political Activity. CONTRACTOR agrees that no funds provided from or through the City shall be contributed or used to conduct political activities for the benefit of any candidate for elective public office, political party, organization or cause, whether partisan or non-partisan, nor shall the personnel involved in the administration of the Project provided for in this Agreement be assigned to work for or on behalf of any partisan or non-partisan political activity.

11.4 CONTRACTOR agrees that no funds provided under this Agreement may be used in any way to attempt to influence, in any manner, a member of Congress or any other State or local elected or appointed official.

11.5 The prohibitions set forth in Sections 11.3 and 11.4 above include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (A) an activity to further the election or defeat of any candidate for public office or for any activity undertaken to influence the passage, defeat or final content of local, state or federal legislation;
- (B) working or directing other personnel to work on any political activity during paid for with City funds, including, but not limited to activities such as taking part in voter registration drives, voter transportation activities, lobbying, collecting contributions, making speeches, organizing or assisting at meetings or rallies, or distributing political literature;
- (C) coercing personnel, whether directly or indirectly, to work on political activities on their personal time, including activities such as taking part in voter registration drives, voter transportation activities, lobbying, collecting contributions, making speeches, organizing or assisting at meetings or rallies, or distributing political literature; and

- (D) using facilities or equipment paid for, in whole or in part with City funds for political purposes including physical facilities such as office space, office equipment or supplies, such as telephones, computers, fax machines, during and after regular business hours.

11.6 CONTRACTOR agrees that in any instance where an investigation of the above is ongoing or has been confirmed, fees paid to the CONTRACTOR under this Agreement may, at the City's discretion, be withheld until the situation is resolved, or the appropriate member of the CONTRACTOR's personnel is terminated.

11.7 Sections 11.4 through 11.8 shall not be construed to prohibit any person from exercising his or her right to express his or her opinion or to limit any individual's right to vote. Further, CONTRACTOR and staff members are not prohibited from participating in political activities on their own volition, if done during time not paid for with Agreement funds.

11.8 Adversarial proceedings. Except in circumstances where the following is in conflict with federal law or regulations pertaining to this grant, the CONTRACTOR agrees to that under no circumstances will the funds received under this Agreement be used, either directly or indirectly, to pay costs or attorney fees incurred in any adversarial proceeding against the City or any other public entity.

## **XII.** **INSURANCE**

12.1 CONTRACTOR and the City each maintain a self-insurance fund for general liability and worker's compensation claims and causes of action to meet their statutory obligations to each party's employees.

12.2 With respect to CONTRACTOR, it is the stated policy of the State of Texas not to acquire commercial general liability insurance for torts committed by employees of the State who are acting within the scope of their employment. Rather, Chapter 101 of the Civil Practice and Remedies Code states that a governmental unit in the state is liable for property damage, personal injury and death proximately caused by the wrongful act or omission or negligence of an employee acting within his scope of employment. Liability of the state government under this chapter is limited to money damages in a maximum amount of \$250,000.00 for each person and \$500,000.00 for each single occurrence for bodily injury or death and \$100,000.00 for each single occurrence for injury to or destruction of property. Employees of the University of Texas System are provided Workers' Compensation coverage under a self-insuring, self-managed program as authorized by the Texas Labor Code, Chapter 503.

## **XIII.** **INDEMNIFICATION**

13.1 CONTRACTOR and the City acknowledge they are political subdivisions of the State of Texas and are subject to, and comply with the applicable provisions of the Texas Tort Claims Act, as set out in the Civil Practice and Remedies Code, Section 101.001, *et. seq.*, and the

remedies authorized therein regarding claims or causes of action that may be asserted by third parties for accident, injury or death. CONTRACTOR and City shall each promptly notify the other in writing of any claim or demands that become known against them in relation to or arising out of activities under this Agreement.

#### **XIV.**

##### **SMALL, MINORITY OR WOMAN OWNED BUSINESS ADVOCACY POLICY**

14.1 CONTRACTOR is hereby advised that it is the policy of the City of San Antonio that Small, Minority or Woman-owned Business Enterprises shall have the maximum practical opportunity to participate in the performance of public contracts. CONTRACTOR agrees that it will adhere to its established policies regarding small, minority, or women-owned business policy regarding procurement, construction and professional service contracts.

14.2 In the event that the CONTRACTOR utilizes subcontractors to perform any part of this agreement the CONTRACTOR will ensure that each subcontractor is aware that they must comply with the City of San Antonio's Small Business Economic Development Advocacy Ordinance (the "SBEDA Program"), which is posted on the City's Economic Development Department website and is also available in hard copy form upon request to the City.

#### **XV.**

##### **ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTING**

15.1 CONTRACTOR shall supply qualified personnel as may be necessary to complete the work to be performed under this Agreement. Persons retained to perform work pursuant to this Agreement shall be the employees or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR, its employees or its subcontractors shall perform all necessary work.

15.2 It is City's understanding that this Agreement is made in reliance thereon that CONTRACTOR does not intend to use subcontractors in the performance of this Agreement.

15.3 Any work or services approved for subcontracting hereunder shall be subcontracted only by written contract and, unless specific waiver is granted in writing by the City, shall be subject by its terms to each and every provision of this Agreement. Compliance by subcontractors with this Agreement shall be the responsibility of CONTRACTOR. City shall in no event be obligated to any third party, including any subcontractor of CONTRACTOR, for performance of services or payment of fees. Any references in this Agreement to an assignee, transferee, or subcontractor, indicate only such an entity as has been approved by the City Council.

15.4 Except as otherwise stated herein, CONTRACTOR may not sell, assign, pledge, transfer or convey any interest in this Agreement, nor delegate the performance of any duties hereunder, by transfer, by subcontracting or any other means, without the consent of the City Council, as evidenced by passage of an ordinance. As a condition of such consent, if such consent is granted, CONTRACTOR shall remain liable for completion of the services outlined in this Agreement in the event of default by the successor CONTRACTOR, assignee, transferee or subcontractor.

15.5 Any attempt to transfer, pledge or otherwise assign this Agreement without said written approval, shall be void ab initio and shall confer no rights upon any third person. Should CONTRACTOR assign, transfer, convey, delegate, or otherwise dispose of any part of all or any part of its right, title or interest in this Agreement, City may, at its option, cancel this Agreement and all rights, titles and interest of CONTRACTOR shall thereupon cease and terminate, in accordance with Article VII. Termination, notwithstanding any other remedy available to City under this Agreement. The violation of this provision by CONTRACTOR shall in no event release CONTRACTOR from any obligation under the terms of this Agreement, nor shall it relieve or release CONTRACTOR from the payment of any damages to City, which City sustains as a result of such violation.

## **XVI.**

### **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

16.1 CONTRACTOR covenants and agrees that it is an independent contractor and not an officer, agent, servant or employee of City; that CONTRACTOR shall have exclusive control of and exclusive right to control the details of the work performed hereunder and all persons performing same, and shall be responsible for the acts and omissions of its officers, agents, employees, contractors, subcontractors and consultants; that the doctrine of respondent superior shall not apply as between City and CONTRACTOR, its officers, agents, employees, contractors, subcontractors and consultants, and nothing herein shall be construed as creating the relationship of employer-employee, principal-agent, collaborators or joint venturers between City and CONTRACTOR. The parties hereto understand and agree that the City shall not be liable for any claims which may be asserted by any third party occurring in connection with the services to be performed by the CONTRACTOR under this Agreement and that the CONTRACTOR has no authority to bind the City.

## **XVII.**

### **NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY**

17.1 CONTRACTOR hereby acknowledges that it is the policy of the City of San Antonio to assist in increasing the competitiveness and qualifications of small, women, African American, and minority-owned business enterprises in order to afford greater opportunities for obtaining and participating in contracts, related subcontracts, and leases and concessions awarded by the City. CONTRACTOR agrees that CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate against any individual or group on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, veteran status, age or disability, unless exempted by state or federal law, or as otherwise established herein and will not engage in prospective employees because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, veteran status, age or disability.

17.2 The CONTRACTOR shall comply with all federal, State, or local laws, rules, and orders prohibiting discrimination, and shall not engage in employment practices which have the effect of discriminating against any employee or applicant for employment, and will take affirmative steps to ensure that applicants are employed and employees are treated during employment

without regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, handicap, or political belief or affiliation. Consistent with the foregoing, CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with Executive Order 11246, entitled "Equal Employment Opportunity", as amended by Executive Order 11375, and as supplemented by regulations at 41 C.F.R. Part 60. CONTRACTOR further agrees to abide by all applicable provisions of San Antonio City ordinance number 69403 on file in the City Clerk's Office. Additionally, CONTRACTOR certifies that it will comply fully with the following nondiscrimination, minimum wage and equal opportunity provisions, including but not limited to:

- a) Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended;
- b) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended;
- c) The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended;
- d) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended; (Title 20 USC sections 1681-1688);
- e) Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended;
- f) Equal Pay Act of 1963, P.L. 88-38; and
- g) All applicable regulations implementing the above laws.

## **XVIII.**

### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

18.1 CONTRACTOR acknowledges that it is informed that the Charter of the City of San Antonio and its Ethics Code prohibit a City officer or employee, as those terms are defined in Part B, Section 10 of the Ethics Code, from having a financial interest in any contract with the City or any City agency such as city owned utilities. An officer or employee has a "prohibited financial interest" in a contract with the City or in the sale to the City of land, materials, supplies or service, if any of the following individual(s) or entities is a party to the contract or sale: a City officer or employee; his parent, child or spouse; a business entity in which the officer or employee, or his- parent, child or spouse owns- ten (10) percent or more of the voting stock or shares of the business entity, or ten (10) percent or more of the fair market value of the business entity; a business entity in which any individual or entity above listed is a subcontractor on a City contract, a collaborator or a parent or subsidiary business entity.

18.2 Pursuant to the subsection above, CONTRACTOR warrants and certifies, and this Agreement is made in reliance thereon, that it, its officers, employees and agents are neither officers nor employees of the City. CONTRACTOR further warrants and certifies that it has tendered to the City a Discretionary Contracts Disclosure Statement compliance with the City's Ethics Code.

## **XIX.**

## **AMENDMENTS**

19.1 Except where the terms of this Agreement expressly provide otherwise, any alterations, additions or deletions to the terms hereof: shall be effected by amendment, in writing, executed by both City and CONTRACTOR

## **XX. SEVERABILITY**

20.1 If any clause or provision of this Agreement is held invalid, illegal or unenforceable under present or future federal, state or local laws, including but not limited to the City Charter, City Code, or ordinances of the City of San Antonio, Texas, then and in that event it is the intention of the parties hereto that such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other clause or provision hereof and that the remainder of this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable clause or provision was never contained herein; it is also the intention of the parties hereto that in lieu of each clause or provision of this Agreement that is invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, there be added as a part of the Agreement a clause or provision as similar in terms to such invalid, illegal or unenforceable clause or provision as may be possible, legal, valid and enforceable.

## **XXI. LICENSES/CERTIFICATIONS**

21.1 CONTRACTOR warrants and certifies that CONTRACTOR and any other person designated to provide services hereunder has the requisite training, license and/or certification to provide said services, and meets all competence standards promulgated by all other authoritative bodies, as applicable to the services provided herein.

## **XXII. COMPLIANCE**

22.1 CONTRACTOR shall provide and perform all services required under this Agreement in compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.

## **XXIII. NONWAIVER OF PERFORMANCE**

23.1 Unless otherwise specifically provided for in this Agreement, a waiver by either Party of a breach of any of the terms, conditions, covenants or guarantees of this Agreement shall not be construed or held to be a waiver of any succeeding or preceding breach of the same or any other term, condition, covenant or guarantee herein contained. Further, any failure of either Party to insist in any one or more cases upon the strict performance of any of the covenants of this Agreement, or to exercise any option herein contained, shall in no event be construed as a waiver or relinquishment for the future of such covenant or option. In fact, no waiver, change, modification or discharge by either party hereto of any provision of this Agreement shall be



deemed to have been made or shall be effective unless expressed in writing and signed by the party to be charged. In case of City, such changes must be approved by the City Council, as described in Article XIX. Amendments. No act or omission by a Party shall in any manner impair or prejudice any right, power, privilege, or remedy available to that Party hereunder or by law or in equity, such rights, powers, privileges, or remedies to be always specifically preserved hereby.

**XXIV.**  
**LAW APPLICABLE**

24.1 THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED UNDER AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

**XXV.**  
**LEGAL AUTHORITY**

25.1 The signer of this Agreement for CONTRACTOR represents, warrants, assures and guarantees that he has full legal authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of CONTRACTOR and to bind CONTRACTOR to all of the terms, conditions, provisions and obligations herein contained.

**XXVI.**  
**PARTIES BOUND**

26.1 This Agreement shall be binding on and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, and successors and assigns, except as otherwise expressly provided for herein.

**XXVII.**  
**CAPTIONS**

27.1 The captions contained in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only, and in no way limit or enlarge the terms and/or conditions of this Agreement.

**XXVIII.**  
**DEBARMENT**

28.1 CONTRACTOR certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in any State or Federal Program.

28.2 CONTRACTOR shall provide immediate written notice to City, in accordance with Article VIII. Notice, if, at any time during the term of this contract, including any renewals

hereof, CONTRACTOR learns that its certification was erroneous when made or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

**XXIX.**  
**ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

29.1 This Agreement, together with its authorizing ordinance and its exhibits, if any, constitute the final and entire agreement between the parties hereto and contain all of the terms and conditions agreed upon. No other agreements, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Agreement shall be deemed to exist or to bind the parties hereto, unless same be in writing, dated subsequent to the date hereto, and duly executed by the parties, in accordance with Article XIX. Amendments.

**EXECUTED** to be effective October 1, 2016 as signed by the parties below.

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH  
SCIENCE CENTER AT TYLER

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Vincent R. Nathan, PhD, M.P.H  
Title: Interim Health Director  
San Antonio Metropolitan Health District

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Kris Kavasch  
Title: Vice President, Finance, Chief Financial  
Officer

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Attorney

WITNESSETH:

HIPAA BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT

This HIPAA Business Associate Agreement is entered into by and between the City of San Antonio ("Covered Entity"), and the University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler, a Business Associate ("BA").

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio and BA have entered into a Professional Services Contract to provide physician services ("Service Contract"), effective October 1, 2016, whereby BA provides health care services to the Covered Entity; and

WHEREAS, Covered Entity and BA may need to use, disclose and/or make available certain information pursuant to the terms of the Service Contract, some of which may constitute Protected Health Information ("PHI"); and

WHEREAS, Covered Entity and BA intend to protect the privacy and provide for the security of PHI disclosed to each other pursuant to the Service Contract in compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191 ("HIPAA") and regulations promulgated thereunder by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (the "HIPAA Regulations") and other applicable laws; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Agreement is to satisfy certain standards and requirements of HIPAA and the HIPAA Regulations, including, but not limited to, Title 45, Section 164.504(e) of the Code of Federal Regulations ("C.F.R."), as the same may be amended from time to time;

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

A. Definitions. For the purposes of this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings ascribed to them:

(1) "Disclosure" with respect to PHI, shall mean the release, transfer, provision of access to or divulging any other manner of PHI outside the entity holding the PHI.

(2) "Individual" shall have the same meaning as the term "Individual" in 45 C.F.R. 164.501 and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative accordance with 45 C.F.R. 164.502(g).

(3) "Parties" shall mean Covered Entity and BA.

(4) "Privacy Rule" shall mean the Standards Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information at 45 C.F.R part 160 and Part 164, subparts A and E.

(5) "Protected Health Information" or "PHI" shall have the same meaning as the term "protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. 164.501, limited to the information created or received by BA from or on behalf of Covered Entity.

(6) "Required By Law" shall have the same meaning as the term "required by law" in 45 CFR § 164.501.

(7) "Secretary" shall mean the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services or his designee.

(8) "PHI Breach" shall mean an acquisition, access, use, or disclosure of PHI in a manner not permitted by the Privacy Rules and such action compromises the security or privacy of the PHI.

B. BA Obligations and Activities. BA agrees that it shall:

(1) Not use or disclose the PHI other than as permitted or required by this Agreement or as Required by Law;

(2) Establish and maintain appropriate administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect, consistent with the services provided under this Agreement, the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the electronic protected health information that it creates, receives, maintains, or transmits on behalf of covered entity;

(3) Mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to BA of a use or disclosure of PHI by BA in violation of the requirements of this Agreement;

(4) Report to Covered Entity any use or disclosure of PHI of which BA is aware or becomes aware that is not provided for or allowed by this Agreement as well as any security incident that BA becomes aware of;

(5) Ensure that any of its agents or subcontractors with which BA does business and to whom it provides PHI received from, created or received by BA on behalf of Covered Entity are aware of and agree to the same restrictions and conditions that apply through this Agreement to BA with respect to such information, and further agree to implement reasonable and appropriate administrative, physical and technical safeguards to protect such information;

(6) Provide access, at the request of Covered Entity, and in a reasonable time and manner as agreed by the Parties, to PHI in a Designated Record Set to Covered Entity or, as directed by Covered Entity, to an Individual in order to meet the requirements 45 C.F.R. §164.524;

(7) Make any amendment(s) to PHI in a Designated Record that the covered Entity directs or agrees to pursuant to 45 C.F.R. 164.526 at the request of the Covered Entity or an Individual, and in a reasonable time and manner agreed to by the Parties;

- (8) Make available to the Covered Entity or to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services internal practices, books and records, including policies and procedures and PHI, relating to the use and disclosure of PHI received from, or created or received by the BA on behalf of the Covered Entity, for purposes of the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in determining Covered Entity's compliance with the Privacy Rule;
- (9) Document such disclosures of PHI, and information related to such disclosures, as would be required for Covered Entity to respond to a request from an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 C.F.R. 164.528;
- (10) Provide Covered Entity or an Individual, in a reasonable time and manner as agreed to by the Parties, information collected in accordance with Section B(9) of this Agreement, to permit Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 C.F.R. 164.528.
- (11) Will immediately, and in no event later than 14 days of discovery, notify Covered Entity of any breach of PHI and will coordinate with Covered Entity to identify, record, investigate, and report to an affected individual and US Department of Health and Human Services, as required, any covered PHI breach.

C. Permitted Uses and Disclosures by BA

- (1) Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, BA may use or disclose PHI to perform functions, activities, or services for, or on behalf of Covered Entity as specified in the Service Contract, provided that such use or disclosure would not violate the Privacy Rule if done by Covered Entity.
- (2) Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, BA may disclose PHI for the proper management and administration of the BA, provided that disclosures are Required By Law, or BA obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom the information is disclosed that it will remain confidential and used or further disclosed only as Required By Law or for the purpose for which it was disclosed to the person, and the person notifies the BA of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached.
- (3) Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, BA may use PHI to provide Data Aggregation Services to Covered Entity as permitted by 45 C.F.R. 164.504(e)(2)(i)(B).
- (4) BA may use PHI to report violations law to appropriate Federal and State authorities, consistent with 45 C.F.R. 502(j)(1).

D. Obligations of Covered Entity. Covered Entity shall inform BA of its privacy practices and restrictions as follows. Covered Entity shall:

(1) notify BA of any limitations in its notice of privacy practices in accordance with 45 C.F.R. 164.520, to the extent that such limitation may affect BA's use or disclosure of PHI;

(2) notify BA of any changes in, or revocation of, permission by any Individual to use or disclose PHI, to the extent that such changes may affect BA's use or disclosure of PHI;

(3) notify BA of any restriction to the use or disclosure of PHI that Covered Entity has agreed to in accordance with 45 C.F.R. 164.522 to the extent that such changes may affect BA's use or disclosure of PHI.

(4) coordinate with BA regarding any PHI breach and make timely notification to affected individuals within 60 days of discovery.

E. Permissible Requests by Covered Entity.

Covered Entity shall not request BA to use or disclose PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under the Privacy Rule if done by Covered Entity, except that the Business Associate may use or disclose PHI for data aggregation or management and administrative activities of the BA.

F. Term and Termination.

(1) The term of this Agreement shall commence on the date on which it is fully executed or contract start date of October 1, 2016, whichever is later. This Agreement shall terminate when all PHI encompassed by this Agreement is destroyed or returned to Covered Entity or, if it is infeasible to return or destroy the PHI, protections are extended to such information in accordance with the termination provisions in this Section.

(2) Termination for Cause. Upon Covered Entity's knowledge of a material breach by BA, Covered Entity shall either (a) provide an opportunity for BA to cure the breach in accordance with the terms of the Service Contract or, if the BA does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time for cure specified in the Service Contract, end the violation and terminate this Agreement and the Contract; or (b) immediately terminate this Agreement and the Service Contract if BA has breached a material term of this Agreement and cure is not possible. If neither termination nor cure is feasible, Covered Entity shall report the violation to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

(3) Effect of Termination.

(a) Except as provided below in paragraph (b) of this Section F(3), upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, BA shall return or destroy all PHI received from the Covered Entity, or created or received by BA on

behalf of Covered Entity. This provision shall apply to PHI that is in the possession of BA or its subcontractors or agents. BA shall not any copies of PHI.

(b) In the event that BA determines that returning or destroying PHI is infeasible, BA shall provide to Covered Entity written notification of the condition that makes the return or destruction of PHI infeasible. Upon BA's conveyance of such written notification, BA shall extend the protections of this Agreement to such PHI and limit further uses and disclosures of such PHI to those purposes that make its return or destruction infeasible, for so long as BA maintains such PHI.

(4) Notwithstanding any other provision under this Agreement, the Parties agree that the Service Contract may be terminated by either Party without penalty should the other Party violate a material obligation under this Agreement.

G. Amendment to Comply with Law. The Parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Agreement from time to time as is necessary for Covered Entity to comply with the requirements of the Privacy Rule and HIPAA.

H. Survival. The respective rights and obligations of the BA under Sections B, C(2) and (4), and F(3) shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

I. Interpretation. Any ambiguity in this Agreement shall be interpreted to permit Covered Entity to comply with the Privacy Rule.

J. Regulatory References. A reference in this Agreement to a section in the Privacy Rule means the section as in effect or amended.

K. No Third Party Beneficiaries. Nothing express or implied in this Agreement is intended to confer, nor shall anything herein confer upon any person other than Covered Entity, BA, and their respective successors or assigns, any rights, remedies, obligations, or liabilities whatsoever.

L. INDEMNIFICATION. *BA acknowledges that it is subject to, and complies with, the applicable provisions of the Texas Tort Claims Act, as set out in the Civil Practice and Remedies Code, Section 101.001, et. seq., and the remedies authorized therein regarding claims or causes of action that may be asserted by third parties for accident, injury or death.*

M. Reimbursement. BA will reimburse Covered Entity for reasonable costs incurred responding to a PHI breach by BA or any of BA's subcontractors.

N. Waiver. No provision of this Agreement or any breach thereof shall be deemed waived unless such waiver is in writing and signed by the party claimed to have waived such provision or breach. No waiver of a breach shall constitute a waiver of or excuse any different or subsequent breach.

- O. Assignment. Neither party may assign (whether by operation or law or otherwise) any of its rights or delegate or subcontract any of its obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Covered Entity shall have the right to assign its rights and obligations hereunder to any entity that is an affiliate or successor of Covered Entity, without the prior approval of Business Associate.
- P. Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the complete agreement between Business Associate and Covered Entity relating to the matters specified in this Agreement, and supersedes all prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written, with respect to such matters. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of the Service Contracts or any such later agreement(s), the terms of this Agreement shall control unless the terms of such Service Contract comply with the Privacy Standards and the Security Standards. No oral modification or waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be binding on either party. This Agreement is for the benefit of, and shall be binding upon the parties, their affiliates and respective successors and assigns. No third party shall be considered a third-party beneficiary under this Agreement, nor shall any third party have any rights as a result of this Agreement.
- Q. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

EXECUTED to be effective October 1, 2016 as signed by the parties below.

**COVERED ENTITY**

**BUSINESS ASSOCIATE:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Vincent R. Nathan, PhD, MPH  
Title: Interim Health Director  
  
San Antonio Metropolitan Health District

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Name: Kris Kavasch  
Title: Vice President, Finance, Chief Financial Officer

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Date

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Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Attorney