

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO AND  
MAR-RIC TRANSITIONAL AND RECOVERY FACILITY**

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ ,  
20\_\_\_\_\_, by and between the COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, hereinafter called  
"County," and MAR-RIC TRANSITIONAL AND RECOVERY FACILITY, hereinafter  
called "Contractor";

**W I T N E S S E T H:**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 31000, County may  
contract with independent contractors for the furnishing of such services to or for  
County or any Department thereof;

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that Contractor be retained for the  
purpose of professional services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY AGREED BY THE PARTIES HERETO  
AS FOLLOWS:**

**1. Exhibits and Attachments**

The following exhibits and attachments are attached to this Agreement and  
incorporated into this Agreement by this reference:

Exhibit A—Services

Exhibit B—Payments and Rates

Attachment I—§ 504 Compliance

**2. Services to be performed by Contractor**

In consideration of the payments set forth herein and in Exhibit B, Contractor shall  
perform services for County in accordance with the terms, conditions, and  
specifications set forth herein and in Exhibit A.

**3. Payments**

In consideration of the services provided by Contractor in accordance with all terms,  
conditions, and specifications set forth herein and in Exhibit A, County shall make  
payment to Contractor based on the rates and in the manner specified in Exhibit B.  
County reserves the right to withhold payment if County determines that the quantity  
or quality of the work performed is unacceptable. In no event shall County's total  
fiscal obligation under this Agreement exceed FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY  
THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$460,136).

#### **4. Term and Termination**

Subject to compliance with all terms and conditions, the term of this Agreement shall be from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016.

This Agreement may be terminated by Contractor, the Chief of the Health System or designee at any time without a requirement of good cause upon thirty (30) days' written notice to the other party.

In the event of termination, all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, maps, photographs, reports, and materials (hereafter referred to as materials) prepared by Contractor under this Agreement shall become the property of County and shall be promptly delivered to County. Upon termination, Contractor may make and retain a copy of such materials. Subject to availability of funding, Contractor shall be entitled to receive payment for work/services provided prior to termination of the Agreement. Such payment shall be that portion of the full payment which is determined by comparing the work/services completed to the work/services required by the Agreement.

#### **5. Availability of Funds**

County may terminate this Agreement or a portion of the services referenced in the Attachments and Exhibits based upon unavailability of Federal, State, or County funds by providing written notice to Contractor as soon as is reasonably possible after County learns of said unavailability of outside funding.

#### **6. Relationship of Parties**

Contractor agrees and understands that the work/services performed under this Agreement are performed as an independent Contractor and not as an employee of County and that neither Contractor nor its employees acquire any of the rights, privileges, powers, or advantages of County employees.

#### **7. Hold Harmless**

7.1 **General Hold Harmless.** Contractor shall indemnify and save harmless County and its officers, agents, employees, and servants from all claims, suits, or actions of every name, kind, and description resulting from this Agreement, the performance of any work or services required of Contractor under this Agreement, or payments made pursuant to this Agreement brought for, or on account of, any of the following: (A) injuries to or death of any person, including Contractor or its employees/officers/agents; (B) damage to any property of any kind whatsoever and to whomsoever belonging; (C) any sanctions, penalties, or claims of damages resulting from Contractor's failure to comply, if applicable, with the requirements set forth in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and all Federal regulations promulgated thereunder, as amended; or (D) any other loss or cost, including but not limited to that caused by the concurrent active or passive negligence of County and/or its officers, agents, employees, or servants. However, Contractor's duty to indemnify and save harmless under this Section shall not apply to injuries or damage for which County has been found in a court of competent jurisdiction to be solely liable by reason of its own negligence or willful misconduct.



The duty of Contractor to indemnify and save harmless as set forth by this Section shall include the duty to defend as set forth in Section 2778 of the California Civil Code.

#### 7.2 Intellectual Property Indemnification.

Contractor hereby certifies that it owns, controls, or licenses and retains all right, title, and interest in and to any intellectual property it uses in relation to this Agreement, including the design, look, feel, features, source code, content, and other technology relating to any part of the services it provides under this Agreement and including all related patents, inventions, trademarks, and copyrights, all applications therefor, and all trade names, service marks, know how, and trade secrets ("IP Rights") except as otherwise noted by this Agreement. Contractor warrants that the services it provides under this Agreement do not infringe, violate, trespass, or constitute the unauthorized use or misappropriation of any IP Rights of any third party. Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless County from and against all liabilities, costs, damages, losses, and expenses (including reasonable attorney fees) arising out of or related to any claim by a third party that the services provided under this Agreement infringe or violate any third-party's IP Rights provided any such right is enforceable in the United States. Contractor's duty to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless under this Section applies only provided that: (a) County notifies Contractor promptly in writing of any notice of any such third-party claim; (b) County cooperates with Contractor, at Contractor's expense, in all reasonable respects in connection with the investigation and defense of any such third-party claim; (c) Contractor retains sole control of the defense of any action on any such claim and all negotiations for its settlement or compromise (provided Contractor shall not have the right to settle any criminal action, suit, or proceeding without County's prior written consent, not to be unreasonably withheld, and provided further that any settlement permitted under this Section shall not impose any financial or other obligation on County, impair any right of County, or contain any stipulation, admission, or acknowledgement of wrongdoing on the part of County without County's prior written consent, not to be unreasonably withheld); and (d) should services under this Agreement become, or in Contractor's opinion be likely to become, the subject of such a claim, or in the event such a third party claim or threatened claim causes County's reasonable use of the services under this Agreement to be seriously endangered or disrupted, Contractor shall, at Contractor's option and expense, either: (i) procure for County the right to continue using the services without infringement or (ii) replace or modify the services so that they become non infringing but remain functionally equivalent.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section to the contrary, Contractor will have no obligation or liability to County under this Section to the extent any otherwise covered claim is based upon: (a) any aspects of the services under this Agreement which have been modified by or for County (other than modification performed by, or at the direction of, Contractor) in such a way as to cause the alleged infringement at issue; (b) any aspects of the services under this Agreement which have been used by County in a manner prohibited by this Agreement.

The duty of Contractor to indemnify and save harmless as set forth by this Section shall include the duty to defend as set forth in Section 2778 of the California Civil Code.

**8. Assignability and Subcontracting**

Contractor shall not assign this Agreement or any portion thereof to a third party or subcontract with a third party to provide services required by Contractor under this Agreement without the prior written consent of County. Any such assignment or subcontract without County's prior written consent shall give County the right to automatically and immediately terminate this Agreement.

**9. Insurance**

Contractor shall not commence work or be required to commence work under this Agreement unless and until all insurance required under this Section has been obtained and such insurance has been approved by County's Risk Management, and Contractor shall use diligence to obtain such insurance and to obtain such approval. Contractor shall furnish County with certificates of insurance evidencing the required coverage, and there shall be a specific contractual liability endorsement extending Contractor's coverage to include the contractual liability assumed by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement. These certificates shall specify or be endorsed to provide that thirty (30) days' notice must be given, in writing, to County of any pending change in the limits of liability or of any cancellation or modification of the policy.

- (1) **Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance.** Contractor shall have in effect during the entire term of this Agreement workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance providing full statutory coverage. In signing this Agreement, Contractor certifies, as required by Section 1861 of the California Labor Code, (a) that it is aware of the provisions of Section 3700 of the California Labor Code, which require every employer to be insured against liability for workers' compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of the Labor Code, and (b) that it will comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of work under this Agreement.
- (2) **Liability Insurance.** Contractor shall take out and maintain during the term of this Agreement such bodily injury liability and property damage liability insurance as shall protect Contractor and all of its employees/officers/agents while performing work covered by this Agreement from any and all claims for damages for bodily injury, including accidental death, as well as any and all claims for property damage which may arise from Contractor's operations under this Agreement, whether such operations be by Contractor, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by either of them, or by an agent of either of them. Such insurance shall be combined single limit bodily injury and property damage for each occurrence and shall not be less than the amount specified below.



Such insurance shall include:

(a)	Comprehensive General Liability . . . . .	\$1,000,000
(b)	Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance . . . . .	\$1,000,000
(c)	Professional Liability. . . . .	\$1,000,000

County and its officers, agents, employees, and servants shall be named as additional insured on any such policies of insurance, which shall also contain a provision that (a) the insurance afforded thereby to County and its officers, agents, employees, and servants shall be primary insurance to the full limits of liability of the policy and (b) if the County or its officers, agents, employees, and servants have other insurance against the loss covered by such a policy, such other insurance shall be excess insurance only.

In the event of the breach of any provision of this Section, or in the event any notice is received which indicates any required insurance coverage will be diminished or canceled, County, at its option, may, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, immediately declare a material breach of this Agreement and suspend all further work and payment pursuant to this Agreement.

#### **10. Compliance With Laws**

All services to be performed by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement shall be performed in accordance with all applicable Federal, State, County, and municipal laws, ordinances, and regulations, including but not limited to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and the Federal Regulations promulgated thereunder, as amended (if applicable), the Business Associate requirements set forth in Attachment H (if attached), the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap in programs and activities receiving any Federal or County financial assistance. Such services shall also be performed in accordance with all applicable ordinances and regulations, including but not limited to appropriate licensure, certification regulations, provisions pertaining to confidentiality of records, and applicable quality assurance regulations. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and any applicable State, Federal, County, or municipal law or regulation, the requirements of the applicable law or regulation will take precedence over the requirements set forth in this Agreement.

Further, Contractor certifies that Contractor and all of its subcontractors will adhere to all applicable provisions of Chapter 4.106 of the San Mateo County Ordinance Code, which regulates the use of disposable food service ware.

Contractor will timely and accurately complete, sign, and submit all necessary documentation of compliance.

#### **11. Non-Discrimination and Other Requirements**

- A. *General non-discrimination.* No person shall be denied any services provided pursuant to this Agreement (except as limited by the scope of services) on the grounds of race, color, national origin, ancestry, age, disability (physical or mental), sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital or domestic partner status, religion, political beliefs or affiliation, familial or parental status (including pregnancy), medical condition (cancer-related), military service, or genetic information.
- B. *Equal employment opportunity.* Contractor shall ensure equal employment opportunity based on objective standards of recruitment, classification, selection, promotion, compensation, performance evaluation, and management relations for all employees under this Agreement. Contractor's equal employment policies shall be made available to County upon request.
- C. *Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.* Contractor shall comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, which provides that no otherwise qualified handicapped individual shall, solely by reason of a disability, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination in the performance of this Agreement. This Section applies only to contractors who are providing services to members of the public under this Agreement.
- D. *Compliance with County's Equal Benefits Ordinance.* With respect to the provision of benefits to its employees, Contractor shall comply with Chapter 2.84 of the County Ordinance Code, which prohibits contractors from discriminating in the provision of employee benefits between an employee with a domestic partner and an employee with a spouse. In order to meet the requirements of Chapter 2.84, Contractor must certify which of the following statements is/are accurate:
- ☐ Contractor complies with Chapter 2.84 by:
    - ☒ offering the same benefits to its employees with spouses and its employees with domestic partners.
    - ☐ offering, in the case where the same benefits are not offered to its employees with spouses and its employees with domestic partners, a cash payment to an employee with a domestic partner that is equal to Contractor's cost of providing the benefit to an employee with a spouse.
  - ☐ Contractor is exempt from having to comply with Chapter 2.84 because it has no employees or does not provide benefits to employees' spouses.
  - ☐ Contractor does not comply with Chapter 2.84, and a waiver must be sought.
- E. *Discrimination Against Individuals with Disabilities.* The Contractor shall



comply fully with the nondiscrimination requirements of 41 C.F.R. 60-741.5(a), which is incorporated herein as if fully set forth.

- F. *History of Discrimination.* Contractor must check one of the two following options, and by executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that the option selected is accurate:

- ☒ No finding of discrimination has been issued in the past 365 days against Contractor by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Fair Employment and Housing Commission, or any other investigative entity.
- ☐ Finding(s) of discrimination have been issued against Contractor within the past 365 days by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Fair Employment and Housing Commission, or other investigative entity. If this box is checked, Contractor shall provide County with a written explanation of the outcome(s) or remedy for the discrimination.

- G. *Violation of Non-discrimination provisions.* Violation of the non-discrimination provisions of this Agreement shall be considered a breach of this Agreement and subject the Contractor to penalties, to be determined by the County Manager, including but not limited to the following:

- i) termination of this Agreement;
- ii) disqualification of the Contractor from bidding on or being awarded a County contract for a period of up to 3 years;
- iii) liquidated damages of \$2,500 per violation; and/or
- iv) imposition of other appropriate contractual and civil remedies and sanctions, as determined by the County Manager.

To effectuate the provisions of this Section, the County Manager shall have the authority to examine Contractor's employment records with respect to compliance with this Section and/or to set off all or any portion of the amount described in this Section against amounts due to Contractor under this Agreement or any other agreement between Contractor and County.

Contractor shall report to the County Manager the filing by any person in any court of any complaint of discrimination or the filing by any person of any and all charges with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the Fair Employment and Housing Commission, or any other entity charged with the investigation of allegations within 30 days of such filing, provided that within such 30 days such entity has not notified Contractor that such charges are dismissed or otherwise unfounded. Such notification shall include the name of the complainant, a copy of such complaint, and

a description of the circumstance. Contractor shall provide County with a copy of their response to the Complaint when filed.

#### **12. Compliance with County Employee Jury Service Ordinance**

Contractor shall comply with Chapter 2.85 of the County's Ordinance Code, which states that a contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy providing that its employees, to the extent they live in San Mateo County, shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no fewer than five days of regular pay for jury service in San Mateo County, with jury pay being provided only for each day of actual jury service. The policy may provide that such employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with Contractor or that the Contractor may deduct from an employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service in San Mateo County. By signing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that it has and adheres to a policy consistent with Chapter 2.85. For purposes of this Section, if Contractor has no employees in San Mateo County, it is sufficient for Contractor to provide the following written statement to County: "For purposes of San Mateo County's jury service ordinance, Contractor certifies that it has no employees who live in San Mateo County. To the extent that it hires any such employees during the term of its Agreement with San Mateo County, Contractor shall adopt a policy that complies with Chapter 2.85 of the County's Ordinance Code."

#### **13. Retention of Records, Right to Monitor and Audit**

(a) Contractor shall maintain all required records for three (3) years after County makes final payment and all other pending matters are closed, and Contractor shall be subject to the examination and/or audit of County, a Federal grantor agency, and the State of California.

(b) Reporting and Record Keeping: Contractor shall comply with all program and fiscal reporting requirements set forth by appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, and as required by County.

(c) Contractor agrees upon reasonable notice to provide to County, to any Federal or State department having monitoring or review authority, to County's authorized representatives, and/or to any of their respective audit agencies access to and the right to examine all records and documents necessary to determine compliance with relevant Federal, State, and local statutes, rules, and regulations, to determine compliance with this Agreement, and to evaluate the quality, appropriateness, and timeliness of services performed.

#### **14. Merger Clause & Amendments**

This Agreement, including the Exhibits and Attachments attached to this Agreement and incorporated herein by reference, constitutes the sole Agreement of the parties to this Agreement and correctly states the rights, duties, and obligations of each party as of this document's date. In the event that any term, condition, provision, requirement, or specification set forth in the body of this Agreement conflicts with or is inconsistent with any term, condition, provision, requirement, or specification in any Exhibit and/or Attachment to this Agreement, the provisions of the body of the



Agreement shall prevail. Any prior agreement, promises, negotiations, or representations between the parties not expressly stated in this document are not binding. All subsequent modifications or amendments shall be in writing and signed by the parties.

**15. Controlling Law and Venue**

The validity of this Agreement and of its terms or provisions, the rights and duties of the parties under this Agreement, the interpretation of this Agreement, the performance of this Agreement, and any other dispute of any nature arising out of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California without regard to its choice of law rules. Any dispute arising out of this Agreement shall be venued either in the San Mateo County Superior Court or in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California.

**16. Notices**

Any notice, request, demand, or other communication required or permitted under this Agreement shall be deemed to be properly given when both: (1) transmitted via facsimile to the telephone number listed below or transmitted via email to the email address listed below; and (2) sent to the physical address listed below by either being deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, or deposited for overnight delivery, charges prepaid, with an established overnight courier that provides a tracking number showing confirmation of receipt.

**In the case of County, to:**

Name/Title: Stephen Kaplan, Director  
Address: 225 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue, San Mateo, CA 94403  
Telephone: (650) 573-2544  
Facsimile: (650) 573-2841  
Email: [skaplan@smcgov.org](mailto:skaplan@smcgov.org)

**In the case of Contractor, to:**

Name/Title: Rolando Andrade, CEO  
Address: 2749 Lindbrook Drive, Riverbank, CA 95367  
Telephone: (209) 869-2848  
Facsimile: (209) 869-3840  
Email: [marriccarehome@att.net](mailto:marriccarehome@att.net)

**17. Electronic Signature**

If both County and Contractor wish to permit this Agreement and future documents relating to this Agreement to be digitally signed in accordance with California law and County's Electronic Signature Administrative Memo, both boxes below must be checked. Any party that agrees to allow digital signature of this Agreement may

revoke such agreement at any time in relation to all future documents by providing notice pursuant to this Agreement.

For County: ☐ If this box is checked by County, County consents to the use of electronic signatures in relation to this Agreement.

For Contractor: ☐ If this box is checked by Contractor, Contractor consents to the use of electronic signatures in relation to this Agreement.

\*\*\*Signature page to follow\*\*\*



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, by their duly authorized representatives, have affixed their hands.

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
President, Board of Supervisors  
San Mateo County

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

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Said Board

MAR-RIC TRANSITIONAL AND RECOVERY FACILITY

  
Contractor's Signature

Date: July 10, 2014

(Revised 7/1/13)

EXHIBIT A – SERVICES  
MAR-RIC TRANSITIONAL AND RECOVERY FACILITY  
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In consideration of the payments set forth in Exhibit "B", Contractor shall provide the following services:

I. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED BY CONTRACTOR

In addition to the services required by license, Contractor shall provide under the general supervision of the department, services described below in a manner consistent with the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

- A. Provide up to nine (9) beds per month, as needed by County for individuals who are transitioning from locked facilities or psychiatric inpatient units, or who would otherwise require locked facility placement, in order to keep them in the community and out of more restrictive and more expensive locked facility placements. County shall assess and pre-approve all clients for these transitional services.
- B. Arrange for and provide documentation of ten (10) hours of continuing education or training per employee, per year, above and beyond what is required by Community Care Licensing. Trainings provided by Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) Resource Management throughout the year may be used for this purpose, as well as outside trainings.
- C. Maintain individual client records in accordance with County and state requirements. Allow County and staff access to the facility, to the extent authorized by law, for client assessment, monitoring, record review, and consultation.
- D. Participate in County's Management Information System. Supply needed documentation and information to the BHRS in a timely manner.
- E. Participate in required monthly supplemental services meetings and trainings as set up by BHRS Resource Management, as necessary.
- F. Must notify and submit a copy of any licensing report noting a deficiency issued by licensing agency to BHRS Resource Management within forty-eight (48) hours from date received. Failure to comply with this provision will result in suspension from the program.
- G. Retain and show proof of a bond issued by a surety company in accordance with Community Care licensing's regulations for a licensee who may be entrusted with care and/or control of client's cash resources.



## II. ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS

### A. Record Retention

Paragraph 13 of the Agreement notwithstanding, Contractor shall maintain medical records required by the California Code of Regulations. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Contractor shall maintain beneficiary medical and/or clinical records for a period of seven (7) years, except that the records of persons under age eighteen (18) at the time of treatment shall be maintained: a) until one (1) year beyond the person's eighteenth (18th) birthday or b) for a period of seven (7) years beyond the date of discharge, whichever is later. This rule does not supersede professional standards (Contractor is allowed to maintain records for a longer period of time if required by other regulations or licenses).

### B. Administering Satisfaction Surveys

Contractor shall facilitate the administration of satisfaction survey instruments as directed by the County, including outcomes and satisfaction measurement instruments.

### C. Cultural Competence

Implementations of these guidelines are based on the National Culturally and Linguistically Accessible Services (CLAS) Standards issued by the Department of Health and Human Services. For more information about these standards, please contact the Health Equity Initiatives Manager (HEIM) at 650-573-2714 or [jafrica@smcgov.org](mailto:jafrica@smcgov.org).

Out of county contractors must attest to compliance with all of the pertinent cultural competence requirements in their host County contract. Contractor shall submit documentation of their compliance to HEIM ([jafrica@smcgov.org](mailto:jafrica@smcgov.org)) by March 31<sup>st</sup>.

Technical Assistance – Contractors who are not able to comply with the cultural competence requirements, Contractor will meet with the Program Manager and HEIM ([jafrica@smcgov.org](mailto:jafrica@smcgov.org)) to plan for appropriate technical assistance.

### D. Licensing Reports

Contractor shall submit a copy of any licensing report issued by a licensing agency to BHRS Deputy Director of Youth Services, Adult and Older Adult Services, or the Manager of AOD Services or their designee, within ten (10) business days of Contractor's receipt of any such licensing report.

E. Documentation of Services

Contractor shall provide all pertinent documentation required for state and federal reimbursement (including initial and quarterly notices, assessment and service plans, and progress notes). Special attention must be paid to documentation requirements for residential treatment facilities. Documentation shall be completed in compliance with the BHRS Policies & Documentation Manual (as defined in Paragraph II. of this Exhibit A) which is located online at: <http://smchealth.org/SOCMHContractors> , and is incorporated by reference herein. Documentation for AOD services shall be in compliance with the Alcohol and Other Drug Services Provider Handbook which is located online at <http://www.aodsystems.com/SMC/Index.htm> , and is incorporated by reference herein.

Contractor shall provide all pertinent documentation required for Medi-Cal, Medicare, and any other federal and state regulation applicable to reimbursement (including initial and quarterly notices, assessment and service plans, and progress notes).

F. Certification

Contractor shall maintain all applicable certifications through San Mateo County to provide any of the following reimbursable services: Short-Doyle Medi-Cal, MediCal, Medicare, or Drug MediCal.

G. Ineligible Employees

BHRS requires that contractors identify the eligibility status of employees, interns or volunteers prior to hiring and on an annual basis thereafter. Results of the eligibility screenings are to be maintained in the employee files. This process is meant to ensure that any person delivering services to clients of BHRS are not currently excluded, suspended, debarred or have been convicted of a criminal offense as described below. The Contractor must notify BHRS Quality Management (by completing the BHRS Critical Incident Reporting form, Policy #93-11) should a current employee, intern or volunteer be identified as ineligible. Contractors are required to screen for ineligible employees, interns and volunteers by using the following websites:

1. Office or Inspector General

Contractor may not employ any persons deemed an Ineligible Person by the Office of the Inspector General in the provision of services for the County through this agreement. Any employee(s) of contractor determined to be an Ineligible Person will be removed from responsibility for, or involvement with County clients or operations. An "Ineligible Person" is an individual who (1) is currently excluded, suspended, debarred or otherwise ineligible to participate in Federal



health care programs, or (2) has been convicted of a criminal offense related to the provision of health care items or services and has not been reinstated in the Federal health care programs after a period of exclusion, suspension, debarment or ineligibility. Ineligibility may be verified by checking: [www.Exclusions.OIG.HHS.Gov](http://www.Exclusions.OIG.HHS.Gov).

H. Advance Directives

Contractor will comply with County policies and procedures relating to advance directives.

I. Availability and Accessibility of Service

Contractor shall offer hours of operation that are no less than the hours of operation offered to commercial enrollees, if the Contractor also serves enrollees of a commercial plan, or that are comparable to the hours the Contractor makes available for Medi-Cal services that are not covered by the County or another Mental Health Plan, if the Contractor serves only Medi-Cal clients.

J. Compliance Plan and code of Conduct

Contractor shall read and be knowledgeable of the compliance principles contained in the BHRS Compliance Plan and Code of Conduct. In addition, Contractor shall assure that Contractor's workforce is aware of compliance mandates, and are informed of the existence and how to use the Compliance Improvement Hotline Telephone Number (650) 573-2695.

K. Beneficiary Brochure and Provider Lists

Contractor agrees to provide Medi-Cal clients who are new to the BHRS System with a brochure (an original of which shall be provided by County) when a client first receives a specialty mental health service from the Contractor. Such brochure shall contain a description of County services available; a description of the process for obtaining County services, including the County's state-wide toll-free telephone number; a list of the County's providers; a description of the County's beneficiary problem resolution process, including the complaint resolution and grievance processes; and a description of the beneficiary's right to request a fair hearing at any time before, during or within ninety (90) days after the completion of the beneficiary problem resolution process.

L. Credentialing

Contractor is responsible for implementing a process to verify, at time of employment, the credentials of its clinical staff (or obtain a waiver). All clinical personnel must comply with HIPAA regulations to obtain a National Provider

Identifier (NPI) number. The license and NPI information shall be reported to the County through the completion of a County provided credentialing form and submitted to the BHRS Quality Management team. Thereafter, on a yearly basis, Contractor is responsible to conduct a re-credentialing check verifying the NPI number, and ensure that qualification standards have been met and all applicable licenses are current.

**M. Staff Termination**

Contractor shall inform County, in a timely fashion, when staff have been terminated. BHRS requires prompt notification to be able to terminate computer access and to safeguard access to electronic medical records by completing the BHRS Credentialing form.

**N. Fingerprint Compliance**

At County's sole discretion, Contractor certifies that its employees and/or its subcontractors, assignees, and volunteers who, during the course of performing services under this Agreement, have contact with children or any person under his or her care will be fingerprinted in order to determine whether they have a criminal history which would compromise the safety of children or individuals with whom Contractor's employees and/or its subcontractors, assignees, or volunteers have contact. If said employees and/or subcontractors, assignees, and volunteers have such a criminal history, they shall not have contact with children or others who receive services through this agreement. Fingerprint information received from the Department of Justice (DOJ) shall be retained or disposed of pursuant to DOJ directive.

**O. Minimum Staff Requirements**

Contractor shall have on file job descriptions (including minimum qualifications for employment and duties performed) for all personnel whose salaries, wages, and benefits are reimbursable in whole or in part under this Agreement. Contractor agrees to submit any material changes in such duties or minimum qualifications to County prior to implementing such changes or employing persons who do not meet the minimum qualifications currently on file. Contractor service personnel shall be direct employees, contractors, volunteers, or training status persons.

**P. Facility Administrator must arrange for, and provide documentation of, ten (10) hours of continuing education or training per employee, per year, above and beyond what is required by Community Care Licensing. Trainings provided by Resource Management throughout the year may be used for this purpose, as well as outside trainings.**



- Q. Contractor shall maintain individual client records in accordance with County and state requirements. Allow County and staff access to the facility, to the extent authorized by law, for client assessment, monitoring, record review, and consultation.

### III. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

GOAL 1: To minimize inappropriate or unnecessary state and psychiatric acute hospitalization to the extent clinically appropriate.

OBJECTIVE 1: At least sixty (60%) of clients will show a decrease in the percentage of hospital days compared to the year prior to their admission.

GOAL 2: To modify clients' dysfunctional maladaptive behavioral patterns and develop daily living skills which will enable them to live in a less restrictive, more independent setting.

OBJECTIVE 1: At least forty percent (40%) of all discharged clients will be discharged to a less restrictive, more independent level of care, which shall include all community-based supported housing.

All data shall be provided to County by Contractor bi-annually on June 1<sup>st</sup>, and December 1<sup>st</sup> for all clients.

\*\*\* END OF EXHIBIT A \*\*\*

**EXHIBIT B – PAYMENTS AND RATES  
MAR-RIC TRANSITIONAL AND RECOVERY FACILITY  
FY 2014 – 2016**

In full consideration of the services provided by Contractor in Exhibit A, County shall pay Contractor based on the following fee schedule:

**I. PAYMENTS**

In full consideration of the services provided by Contractor under this Agreement and subject to the provisions of Paragraph 3 of this Agreement, County shall pay Contractor in the manner described below:

**A. Maximum Obligation**

The maximum amount that County shall be obligated to pay for all services provided under this Agreement shall not exceed the amount stated in Paragraph 3 of this Agreement. Furthermore, County shall not pay or be obligated to pay more than the amounts listed below for each component of service required under this Agreement.

In any event, the maximum amount county shall be obligated to pay for all services rendered under this contract shall not exceed FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$460,136).

1. For the first (1<sup>st</sup>) year of the contract term (July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015), County shall pay Contractor at the rate of SIXTY-NINE DOLLARS AND NINETY-FOUR CENTS (\$69.94) per bed, per day for transitional residential mental health services. County shall pay Contractor for up to a maximum of nine (9) beds per month.
2. For the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) year of the contract term (July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016), County shall pay Contractor at the rate of SIXTY-NINE DOLLARS AND NINETY-FOUR CENTS (\$69.94) per bed, per day for transitional residential mental health services. County shall pay Contractor for up to a maximum of nine (9) beds per month.

- B. Payment for temporary absences shall be made according to the following state policies as outlined in Department of Mental Health Letter 86-01:**



1. Payment for temporary absence in the supplemental services program and for life support services in residential care facilities can be limited to seven (7) days per month. Such payment is allowable only when all of the following conditions are met:
  - a. the absence is consistent with the client's service and treatment plans;
  - b. the absence is necessary for the client's progress or maintenance at this level of care;
- C. Budget modifications may be approved by the Chief of the Health System or designee, subject to the maximum amount set forth in Paragraph I.C. of this Exhibit B.
- D. In the event that funds provided under this Agreement are expended prior to the end of the contract period, Contractor shall provide ongoing services under the terms of this Agreement through the end of the contract period without further payment from County.
- E. County anticipates revenues from various sources to be used to fund services provided by Contractor through this Agreement. Should actual revenues be less than the amounts anticipated for any period of this Agreement, the maximum payment obligation and/or payment obligations for specific services may be reduced at the discretion of the Chief of the Health System or designee.
- F. The Chief of the Health System is authorized to execute contract amendments which modify the County's maximum fiscal obligation by no more than \$25,000 (in aggregate), and/or modify the contract term and/or services so long as the modified term or services is/are within the current or revised fiscal provisions.
- G. Monthly Reporting
  1. Payment by County to Contractor shall be monthly. Claims that are received after the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) working day of the month are considered to be late submissions and may be subject to a delay in payment. Claims that are received 180 days or more after the date of service are considered to be late claims. County reserves the right to deny invoices with late claims or claims for which completed service reporting forms or electronic service files are not received. In addition contractor shall provide back-up to the invoice, which shall include individual client days and the level of service provided as well as a monthly admit and discharge sheet.

2. County reserves the right to modify the description of services as the County deems necessary. Invoices may be sent to:

Behavioral Health and Recovery Services  
Attn: Anita Galang  
225 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
San Mateo, CA 94403

- H. If County or Contractor finds that performance is inadequate, at the County's discretion, a meeting may be called to discuss the causes for the performance problem, and this Agreement may either be renegotiated, allowed to continue to end of term, or terminated pursuant to Paragraph 4 of this Agreement. Any unspent monies due to performance failure may reduce the following year's agreement, if any.
- I. In the event Contractor claims or receives payment from County for a service, reimbursement for which is later disallowed by County or the State of California or the United States Government, then Contractor shall promptly refund the disallowed amount to County upon request, or, at its option, County may offset the amount disallowed from any payment due or become due to Contractor under this Agreement or any other agreement.
- J. In the event this Agreement is terminated prior to June 30, 2016, the Contractor shall be paid for services already provided pursuant to this Agreement.
- K. Contractor may bill and retain any Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or State Supplemental Payment (SSP) income payable by clients for room and board costs.
- L. The Contractor shall not hold beneficiaries liable for debts in the event that the County becomes insolvent, for costs of covered services provided under this or other contracts, referral or other arrangement rather than from the County.
- M. Invoice Certification and Program Integrity

Anytime Contractor submits an invoice to the County for reimbursement for services provided under Exhibit A of this Agreement, Contractor shall certify by signature that the invoice is true and accurate by stating the invoice is submitted under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California.



The invoice must include the following language and signature line at the bottom of the form(s) and/or cover letter used to report the invoice:

"Under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, I hereby certify that this invoice for services complies with all terms and conditions referenced in the Agreement with San Mateo County.

Executed at \_\_\_\_\_ California, on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Agency \_\_\_\_\_"

\*\*\* END OF EXHIBIT B \*\*\*

ATTACHMENT I

**Assurance of Compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as Amended**

The undersigned (hereinafter called the "Contractor(s)") hereby agrees that it will comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, all requirements imposed by the applicable DHHS regulation, and all guidelines and interpretations issued pursuant thereto.

The Contractor(s) gives/give this assurance in consideration of for the purpose of obtaining contracts after the date of this assurance. The Contractor(s) recognizes/recognize and agrees/agree that contracts will be extended in reliance on the representations and agreements made in this assurance. This assurance is binding on the Contractor(s), its successors, transferees, and assignees, and the person or persons whose signatures appear below are authorized to sign this assurance on behalf of the Contractor(s).

The Contractor(s): (Check a or b)

- ☐ a. Employs fewer than 15 persons.
- ☒ b. Employs 15 or more persons and, pursuant to section 84.7 (a) of the regulation (45 C.F.R. 84.7 (a), has designated the following person(s) to coordinate its efforts to comply with the DHHS regulation.

Jaine Andrade  
Name of 504 Person - Type or Print

MAR-RIC Transitional and Recovery Facility  
Name of Contractor(s) - Type or Print

2749 Lindbrook Drive  
Street Address or P.O. Box

Riverbank, CA 95367  
City, State, Zip Code

I certify that the above information is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

[Signature]  
Signature

CEO  
Title of Authorized Official

July 10, 2014  
Date

\*Exception: DHHS regulations state that:

"If a recipient with fewer than 15 employees finds that, after consultation with a disabled person seeking its services, there is no method of complying with (the facility accessibility regulations) other than making a significant alteration in its existing facilities, the recipient may, as an alternative, refer the handicapped person to other providers of those services that are accessible."