



# RESOLUTION No. 24-261

## OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

### RESOLUTION APPROVING EXECUTION OF A RENEWAL CONTRACT WITH GHC OF AUBURN, LLC DBA SIENA SKILLED NURSING & REHABILITATION CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES INCLUDING THE PROVISION OF 24-HOUR SKILLED NURSING SERVICES AND SPECIAL TREATMENT PROGRAMS FOR CHRONIC MENTALLY ILL CLIENTS IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$450,000 FOR THE CONTRACT TERM OF JULY 1, 2024, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026

WHEREAS, GHC of Auburn, LLC DBA Siena Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation Center for Skilled Nursing Facility/Special Treatment Program (SNF/STP) and other Community Mental Health Services for Mentally Disordered Persons; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor provides intensive residential and therapeutic support to individuals who are experiencing a sustained mental health crisis; and

WHEREAS, the County wishes to enter into a renewal contract with GHC of Auburn, LLC DBA Siena Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation Center for the continuation of 24-hour Skilled Nursing Facility/Special Treatment Program (SNF/STP) and other Community Mental Health Services for referred Nevada County clients.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, that the contract by and between the County and GHC of Auburn, LLC DBA Siena Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, pertaining to the provision of SNF/STP and Community Mental Health Services for chronically mentally ill clients in the maximum amount of \$450,000, not to exceed \$225,000 per fiscal year, for the contract term of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2026, be and hereby is approved in substantially the form attached hereto, and that the Chair of the Board of Supervisors be and is hereby authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the County of Nevada. This contract is contingent upon the adoption of the fiscal year 2024/25 County Budget; the contract begins on July 1, 2024.

Funds to be disbursed from account: 1589-40110-493-8201 / 521520

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the 11th day of June 2024, by the following vote of said Board:

Ayes: Supervisors Heidi Hall, Edward C. Scofield, Susan Hoek,  
Lisa Swarthout and Hardy Bullock.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

Recuse: None.

ATTEST:

TINE MATHIASSEN

Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: \_\_\_\_\_



Hardy Bullock, Chair

**Administering Agency:** Nevada County Behavioral Health Department, Health and Human Services Agency

**Contract No.** RES 24-261

**Contract Description:** Skilled Nursing Facility/Special Treatment Program (SNF/STP) and other Community Mental Health Services for Mentally Disordered Persons

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT  
FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY**

**THIS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT** ("Contract") is made at Nevada City, California, as of June 11, 2024 by and between the County of Nevada, ("County"), and GHC of Auburn, LLC dba Siena Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation Center ("Contractor") (together "Parties", individual "Party"), who agree as follows:

1. **Services** Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Contract, Contractor shall provide the services described in Exhibit A. Contractor shall provide said services at the time, place, and in the manner specified in Exhibit A.
2. **Payment** County shall pay Contractor for services rendered pursuant to this Contract at the time and in the amount set forth in Exhibit B. The payments specified in Exhibit B shall be the only payment made to Contractor for services rendered pursuant to this Contract. Contractor shall submit all billings for said services to County in the manner specified in Exhibit B; or, if no manner be specified in Exhibit B, then according to the usual and customary procedures which Contractor uses for billing clients similar to County. **The amount of the contract shall not exceed Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$450,000).**
3. **Term** This Contract shall commence on July 1, 2024 All services required to be provided by this Contract shall be completed and ready for acceptance no later than the **Contract Termination Date** of: June 30, 2026.
4. **Facilities, Equipment and Other Materials** Contractor shall, at its sole cost and expense, furnish all facilities, equipment, and other materials which may be required for furnishing services pursuant to this Contract.
5. **Exhibits** All exhibits referred to herein and attached hereto are incorporated herein by this reference.
6. **Electronic Signatures** The Parties acknowledge and agree that this Contract may be executed by electronic signature, which shall be considered as an original signature for all purposes and shall have the same force and effect as an original signature. Without limitation, "electronic signature" shall include faxed or emailed versions of an original signature or electronically scanned and transmitted versions (e.g., via pdf) of an original signature.
7. **Time for Performance** Time is of the essence. Failure of Contractor to perform any services within the time limits set forth in Exhibit A or elsewhere in this Contract shall constitute material breach of this contract. Contractor shall devote such time to the performance of services pursuant to this Contract as may be reasonably necessary for the satisfactory performance of Contractor's obligations pursuant to this Contract. Neither Party shall be considered in default of this Contract to the extent performance is prevented or delayed by any cause, present or future, which is beyond the reasonable control of the Party.

8. **Liquidated Damages**

Liquidated Damages are presented as an estimate of an intangible loss to the County. It is a provision that allows for the payment of a specified sum should Contractor be in breach of contract. Liquidated Damages shall apply shall not apply to this contract. Liquidated Damages applicable to this contract are incorporated in Exhibit H, attached hereto.

9. **Relationship of Parties**

9.1. **Independent Contractor**

In providing services herein, Contractor, and the agents and employees thereof, shall work in an independent capacity and as an independent contractor and not as agents or employees of County. Contractor acknowledges that it customarily engages independently in the trade, occupation, or business as that involved in the work required herein. Further the Parties agree that Contractor shall perform the work required herein free from the control and direction of County, and that the nature of the work is outside the usual course of County's business. In performing the work required herein, Contractor shall not be entitled to any employment benefits, Workers' Compensation, or other programs afforded to County employees. Contractor shall hold County harmless and indemnify County against such claim by its agents or employees. County makes no representation as to the effect of this independent contractor relationship on Contractor's previously earned California Public Employees Retirement System ("CalPERS") retirement benefits, if any, and Contractor specifically assumes the responsibility for making such determination. Contractor shall be responsible for all reports and obligations including but not limited to: social security taxes, income tax withholding, unemployment insurance, disability insurance, workers' compensation and other applicable federal and state taxes.

9.2. **No Agent Authority** Contractor shall have no power to incur any debt, obligation, or liability on behalf of County or otherwise to act on behalf of County as an agent. Neither County nor any of its agents shall have control over the conduct of Contractor or any of Contractor's employees, except as set forth in this Contract. Contractor shall not represent that it is, or that any of its agents or employees are, in any manner employees of County.

9.3. **Indemnification of CalPERS Determination** In the event that Contractor or any employee, agent, or subcontractor of Contractor providing service under this Contract is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or CalPERS to be eligible for enrollment in CalPERS as an employee of County, Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless County for all payments on behalf of Contractor or its employees, agents, or subcontractors, as well as for the payment of any penalties and interest on such contributions, which would otherwise be the responsibility of County.

10. **Assignment and Subcontracting** Except as specifically provided herein, the rights, responsibilities, duties and services to be performed under this Contract are personal to Contractor and may not be transferred, subcontracted, or assigned without the prior written consent of County. Contractor shall not substitute or replace any personnel for those specifically named herein or in its proposal without the prior written consent of County.

Contractor shall cause and require each transferee, subcontractor, and assignee to comply with the insurance provisions **and information technology security provisions** set forth herein, to the extent such insurance provisions are required of Contractor under this Contract. Failure of Contractor to so cause and require such compliance by each transferee, subcontractor, and assignee shall



constitute a material breach of this Contract, and, in addition to any other remedy available at law or otherwise, shall serve as a basis upon which County may elect to suspend payments hereunder, or terminate this Contract, or both.

11. **Licenses, Permits, Etc.** Contractor represents and warrants to County that Contractor shall, at its sole cost and expense, obtain or keep in effect at all times during the term of this Contract, any licenses, permits, and approvals which are legally required for Contractor to practice its profession at the time the services are performed.
12. **Hold Harmless and Indemnification Contract** To the fullest extent permitted by law, each Party (the "Indemnifying Party") hereby agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold the other Party (the "Indemnified Party"), its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers, free and harmless from any and all losses, claims, liens, demands, and causes of action of every kind and character resulting from the Indemnifying Party's negligent act, willful misconduct, or error or omission, including, but not limited to, the amounts of judgments, penalties, interest, court costs, legal fees, and all other expenses incurred by the Indemnified Party arising in favor of any party, including claims, liens, debts, personal injuries, death, or damages to property (including employees or property of the Indemnified Party) and without limitation, all other claims or demands of every character occurring or in any way incident to, in connection with or arising directly or indirectly out of, the Contract. The Indemnifying Party agrees to investigate, handle, respond to, provide defense for, and defend any such claims, demand, or suit at the sole expense of the Indemnifying Party, using legal counsel approved in writing by Indemnified Party. Indemnifying Party also agrees to bear all other costs and expenses related thereto, even if the claim or claims alleged are groundless, false, or fraudulent. This provision is not intended to create any cause of action in favor of any third party against either Party or to enlarge in any way either Party's liability but is intended solely to provide for indemnification of the Indemnified Party from liability for damages, or injuries to third persons or property, arising from or in connection with Indemnifying Party's performance pursuant to this Contract. This obligation is independent of, and shall not in any way be limited by, the minimum insurance obligations contained in this Contract.
13. **Certificate of Good Standing** Contractors who are registered corporations, including those corporations that are registered non-profits, shall possess a Certificate of Good Standing also known as Certificate of Existence or Certificate of Authorization from the California Secretary of State, and shall keep its status in good standing and effect during the term of this Contract.
14. **Standard of Performance** Contractor shall perform all services required pursuant to this Contract in the manner and according to the standards observed by a competent practitioner of the profession in which Contractor is engaged in the geographical area in which Contractor practices its profession. All products of whatsoever nature which Contractor delivers to County pursuant to this Contract shall be prepared in a substantial first class and workmanlike manner and conform to the standards or quality normally observed by a person practicing in Contractor's profession.
15. **Contractor without additional compensation** Contractor's personnel, when on County's premises and when accessing County's network remotely, shall comply with County's regulations regarding security, remote access, safety and professional conduct, including but not limited to Nevada County Security Policy NCSP-102 Nevada County External User Policy and Account Application regarding data and access security. Contractor personnel will solely utilize County's privileged access management platform for all remote access support functions, unless other methods are granted in writing by County's Chief Information Officer or their designee.

16. If deemed applicable by law, performance of this Contract shall be in conformity with the provisions of California Labor Code, Division 2, Part 7, Chapter 1, commencing with section 1720 relating to prevailing wages which must be paid to workers employed on a public work as defined in Labor Code section 1720, et seq., and shall be in conformity with Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations section 200 et seq., relating to apprenticeship. Where applicable:
- Contractor shall comply with the provisions thereof at the commencement of Services to be provided herein, and thereafter during the term of this Contract. A breach of the requirements of this section shall be deemed a material breach of this contract. Applicable prevailing wage determinations are available on the California Department of Industrial Relations website at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/PWD>.
  - Contractor and all subcontractors must comply with the requirements of Labor Code section 1771.1(a) pertaining to registration of contractors pursuant to section 1725.5. Registration and all related requirements of those sections must be maintained throughout the performance of the Contract.
  - Contracts to which prevailing wage requirements apply are subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. Each Contractor and each subcontractor must furnish certified payroll records to the Labor Commissioner at least monthly.
  - The County is required to provide notice to the Department of Industrial Relations of any public work contract subject to prevailing wages within five (5) days of award.
17. **Accessibility** It is the policy of County that all County services, programs, meetings, activities and facilities shall be accessible to all persons, and shall be comply with the provisions of the Americans With Disabilities Act and Title 24, California Code of Regulations. To the extent this Contract shall call for Contractor to provide County contracted services directly to the public, Contractor shall certify that said direct services are and shall be accessible to all persons.
18. **Nondiscriminatory Employment** Contractor shall not discriminate in its employment practices because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, sex or sexual orientation, or any other legally protected category, in contravention of the California Fair Employment and Housing Act, Government Code section 12900 et seq.
19. **Drug-Free Workplace** Senate Bill 1120, (Chapter 1170, Statutes of 1990), requires recipients of State grants to maintain a "drug-free workplace". Every person or organization awarded a contract for the procurement of any property or services shall certify as required under Government Code Section 8355-8357 that it will provide a drug-free workplace.
20. **Political Activities** Contractor shall in no instance expend funds or use resources derived from this Contract on any political activities.
21. **Debarment** In order to prohibit the procurement of any goods or services ultimately funded by Federal awards from debarred, suspended or otherwise excluded parties, Contractor shall be screened at [www.sam.gov](http://www.sam.gov). to ensure Contractor, its principal and their named subcontractors are not debarred, suspended or otherwise excluded by the United States Government in compliance with the requirements of 7 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 3016.35, 28 CFR 66.35, 29 CFR 97.35, 34 CFR 80.35, 45 CFR 92.35 and Executive Order 12549
22. **Financial, Statistical and Contract-Related Records:**

- 22.1. **Books and Records** Contractor shall maintain statistical records and submit reports as required by County. Contractor shall also maintain accounting and administrative books and records, program procedures and documentation relating to licensure and accreditation as they pertain to this Contract. All such financial, statistical and contract-related records shall be retained for five (5) years or until program review findings and/or audit findings are resolved, whichever is later. Such records shall include but not be limited to bids and all supporting documents, original entry books, canceled checks, receipts, invoices, payroll records, including subsistence, travel and field expenses, together with a general ledger itemizing all debits and credits.
- 22.2. **Inspection** Upon reasonable advance notice and during normal business hours or at such other times as may be agreed upon, Contractor shall make all of its books and records, including general business records, available for inspection, examination or copying, to County, or to the State Department of Health Care Services, the Federal Department of Health and Human Services, the Controller General of the United States and to all other authorized federal and state agencies, or their duly authorized representatives.
- 22.3. **Audit** Contractor shall permit the aforesaid agencies or their duly authorized representatives to audit all books, accounts or records relating to this Contract, and all books, accounts or records of any business entities controlled by Contractor who participated in this Contract in any way. All such records shall be available for inspection by auditors designated by County or State, at reasonable times during normal business hours. Any audit may be conducted on Contractor's premises or, at County's option, Contractor shall provide all books and records within fifteen (15) days upon delivery of written notice from County. Contractor shall promptly refund any moneys erroneously charged and shall be liable for the costs of audit if the audit establishes an over-charge of five percent (5%) or more of the correct amount owed during the audit period.
23. **Cost Disclosure:** In accordance with Government Code Section 7550, should a written report be prepared under or required by the provisions of this Contract, Contractor agrees to state in a separate section of said report the numbers and dollar amounts of all contracts and subcontracts relating to the preparation of said report.
24. **Termination.**
- A. A material breach, as defined pursuant to the terms of this Contract or otherwise, in addition to any other remedy available at law or otherwise, shall serve as a basis upon which County may elect to immediately suspend payments hereunder, or terminate this Contract, or both, without notice.
  - B. If Contractor fails to timely provide in any manner the services materials and products required under this Contract, or otherwise fails to promptly comply with the terms of this Contract, or violates any ordinance, regulation or other law which applies to its performance herein, County may terminate this Contract by giving **five (5) calendar days written notice to Contractor.**
  - C. Either Party may terminate this Contract for any reason, or without cause, by giving **thirty (30) calendar days written notice** to the other, which notice shall be sent by registered mail in conformity with the notice provisions, below. In the event of termination not the fault of Contractor, Contractor shall be paid for services performed to the date of termination in accordance with the terms of this Contract. Contractor shall be excused for failure to perform services herein if such performance is prevented by acts of God, strikes, labor disputes or other forces over which Contractor has no control.

- D. County, upon giving **thirty (30) calendar days written notice** to Contractor, shall have the right to terminate its obligations under this Contract at the end of any fiscal year if County or the State of California, as the case may be, does not appropriate funds sufficient to discharge County's obligations coming due under this contract.
- E. Any notice to be provided under this section may be given by the Agency Director.
- F. Suspension: County, upon giving seven (7) calendar days written notice to Contractor, shall have the right to suspend this Contract, in whole or in part, for any time period as County deems necessary due to delays in Federal, State or County appropriation of funds, lack of demand for services to be provided under this contract, or other good cause. Upon receipt of a notice of suspension from County, Contractor shall immediately suspend or stop work as directed by County and shall not resume work until and unless County gives Contractor a written notice to resume work. In the event of a suspension not the fault of the Contractor, Contractor shall be paid for services performed to the date of the notice of suspension in accordance with the terms of this Contract.

In the event this Contract is terminated:

- 1) Contractor shall deliver copies of all writings prepared by it pursuant to this Contract. The term "writings" shall be construed to mean and include handwriting, typewriting, printing, Photostatting, photographing, and every other means of recording upon any tangible thing any form of communication or representation, including letters, words, pictures, sounds, or symbols, or combinations thereof.
- 2) County shall have full ownership and control of all such writings delivered by Contractor pursuant to this Contract.
- 3) County shall pay Contractor the reasonable value of services rendered by Contractor to the date of termination pursuant to this Contract not to exceed the amount documented by Contractor and approved by County as work accomplished to date; provided, however, that in no event shall any payment hereunder exceed the amount of the Contract specified in Exhibit B, and further provided, however, County shall not in any manner be liable for lost profits which might have been made by Contractor had Contractor completed the services required by this Contract. In this regard, Contractor shall furnish to County such financial information as in the judgment of County is necessary to determine the reasonable value of the services rendered by Contractor. The foregoing is cumulative and does not affect any right or remedy, which County may have in law or equity.
- 4) Patients shall be discharged from Contractor facility prior to the effective date of termination.

25. **Intellectual Property** Contractor will not publish or transfer any materials produced or resulting from activities supported by this Contract without the express written consent of County. All reports, original drawings, graphics, plans, studies and other data and documents, in whatever form or format, assembled or prepared by Contractor or Contractor's subcontractors, consultants, and other agents in connection with this Contract are "works made for hire" (as defined in the Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. Section 101 et seq., as amended) for County, and Contractor unconditionally and irrevocably transfers and assigns to County all right, title, and interest, including all copyrights and other intellectual property rights, in or to the "works made for hire." Unless required by law, Contractor shall not publish, transfer, discuss, or disclose any of the above-described works made for hire or any information gathered, discovered, or generated in any way through this Contract, without County's prior express written consent. To the extent County provides any of its own original photographs, diagrams, plans, documents, information, reports, computer code and all recordable media together with all copyright interests thereto, to Contractor during this Contract,



such information shall remain the property of County, and upon fifteen (15) days demand therefor, shall be promptly delivered to County without exception.

26. **Waiver** One or more waivers by one Party of any major or minor breach or default of any provision, term, condition, or covenant of this Contract shall not operate as a waiver of any subsequent breach or default by the other Party.
27. **Conflict of Interest** Contractor certifies that no official or employee of County, nor any business entity in which an official of County has an interest, has been employed or retained to solicit or aid in the procuring of this Contract. In addition, Contractor agrees that no such person will be employed in the performance of this Contract unless first agreed to in writing by County. This includes prior Nevada County employment in accordance with County's Personnel Code
28. **Entirety of Contract** This Contract contains the entire Contract of County and Contractor with respect to the subject matter hereof, and no other contract, statement, or promise made by any Party, or to any employee, officer or agent of any Party, which is not contained in this Contract, shall be binding or valid.
29. **Alteration** No waiver, alteration, modification, or termination of this Contract shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by all Parties, except as expressly provided in Section 24, Termination.
30. **Governing Law and Venue** This Contract is executed and intended to be performed in the State of California, and the laws of that State shall govern its interpretation and effect. The venue for any legal proceedings regarding this Contract shall be the County of Nevada, State of California. Each Party waives any federal court removal and/or original jurisdiction rights it may have.
31. **Compliance with Applicable Laws** Contractor and any subcontractors shall comply with any and all federal, state and local laws, codes, ordinances, rules and regulations which relate to, concern of affect the services or type of services to be provided by this Contract.
32. **Subrecipient** This contract  shall not  shall be subject to subrecipient status as such: the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 CFR Part 200 et al (commonly referred to as the "OMB Super Circular" or "Uniform Guidance"). A copy of these regulations is available at the link provided herein for the Code of Federal Regulations.  
**[https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2cfr200\\_main\\_02.tpl](https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2cfr200_main_02.tpl)**
33. **Confidentiality** Contractor, its employees, agents and or subcontractors may come in contact with documents that contain information regarding matters that must be kept confidential by County, including personally identifiable patient or client information. Even information that might not be considered confidential for the usual reasons of protecting non-public records should be considered by Contractor to be confidential.

Contractor agrees to maintain confidentiality of information and records as required by applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations and rules and recognized standards of professional practice.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, Contractor agrees to protect the confidentiality of any confidential information with which Contractor may come into contact in the process of performing its contracted services. This information includes but is not limited to all

written, oral, visual and printed patient or client information, including but not limited to: names, addresses, social security numbers, date of birth, driver's license number, case numbers, services provided, social and economic conditions or circumstances, agency evaluation of personal information, and medical data.

Contractor shall not retain, copy, use, or disclose this information in any manner for any purpose that is not specifically permitted by this Contract. Violation of the confidentiality of patient or client information may, at the option of County, be considered a material breach of this Contract.

34. **Additional Contractor Responsibilities**

- A. To the extent Contractor is a mandated reporter of suspected child and/or dependent adult abuse and neglect, it shall ensure that its employees, agents, volunteers, subcontractors, and independent contractors are made aware of, understand, and comply with all reporting requirements. Contractor shall immediately notify County of any incident or condition resulting in injury, harm, or risk of harm to any child or dependent adult served under this Contract.
- B. Contractor will immediately notify County of any active complaints, lawsuits, licensing or regulatory investigations, reports of fraud or malfeasance, or criminal investigations regarding its operations. Contractor agrees to work cooperatively with County in response to any investigation commenced by County with regard to this Contract or the clients served herein, including providing any/all records requested by County related thereto.
- C. Contractor shall employ reasonable background check procedures on all employees, prospective employees, volunteers and consultants performing work involving direct contact with minor children or dependent adults under this Contract, including fingerprinting and criminal records checks, sexual offender registry checks, and reference checks, including both personal and professional references.

35. **Information Technology Security Requirements** This contract  **shall not**  **shall** be subject to Exhibit F, "Information Technology Security," which is attached and incorporated by this reference. Contractor's failure to comply with the requirements in Exhibit F is a material breach of this Agreement.

36. **Notification** Any notice or demand desired or required to be given hereunder shall be in writing and deemed given when personally delivered or deposited in the mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to the Parties as follows:

<b>COUNTY OF NEVADA:</b>		<b>CONTRACTOR:</b>	
Nevada County Behavioral Health Department of Health and Human Services		GHC of Auburn, LLC c/o Generations Healthcare	
Address:	500 Crown Point Circle, Suite 100	Address	6 Hutton Center Drive, Suite 400
City, St, Zip	Grass Valley, CA 95945	City, St, Zip	Santa Ana, CA 92707
Attn:	Cari Yardley	Attn:	Marissa Brandel
Email:	Cari.Yardley@nevadacountyca.gov	Email:	Marissabrandel@lifegen.net
Phone:	(530) 470-2559	Phone:	714-241-5600

Any notice so delivered personally shall be deemed to be received on the date of delivery, and any notice mailed shall be deemed to be received five (5) days after the date on which it was mailed.

**Authority:** All individuals executing this Contract on behalf of Contractor represent and warrant that they are authorized to execute and deliver this Contract on behalf of Contractor.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** the Parties have executed this Contract to begin on the Effective Date.

**COUNTY OF NEVADA:**

By:  Date: 06/28/2024

Printed Name/Title: Honorable Hardy Bullock, Chair, of the Board of Supervisors

By: 

Attest: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, or designee

Approved As to Form – County Counsel:

By:  Date: 07/02/2024  
KIR Elliott (Jul 2, 2024 11:45 PDT)

**CONTRACTOR:** GHC of Auburn, LLC c/o Generations Healthcare

By:  Date: 06/24/2024  
Lois Mastrocola (Jun 24, 2024 15:04 PDT)

Name: Lois Mastrocola

\* Title: Chief Financial Officer

***\*If Contractor is a corporation, this Contract must be signed by two corporate officers; one of which must be the secretary of the corporation, and the other may be either the President or Vice President, unless an authenticated corporate resolution is attached delegating authority to a single officer to bind the corporation (California Corporations Code Sec. 313).***

**Exhibits**

- Exhibit A: [Schedule of Services](#)
- Exhibit B: [Schedule of Charges and Payments](#)
- Exhibit C: [Insurance Requirements](#)
- Exhibit D: [Behavioral Health Provisions](#)
- Exhibit E: [Schedule of HIPAA Provisions](#)
- Exhibit F: [Information Technology Security Summary Page](#)



EXHIBIT A  
SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

CONTRACTOR agrees to provide COUNTY with Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) services/Special Treatment Program (STP) services, or other such services as required by the licensure of the facility to mentally disabled adult persons ages 18 years and older pursuant to: Welfare and Institutions Code, Division 5, commencing with Section 5000; California Code of Regulations Title 22, Sections 72443-72475 and Title 9, Sections 786.0-786.23; California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), formerly the California Department of Mental Health (DMH), Policies and Directives; and other applicable statutes and regulations according to facilities licensure requirements.

Contractor shall provide services in accordance with the following provisions.

**A. SERVICE LOCATION(S)**

Services rendered pursuant to this Agreement shall be provided at the following location:

Siena Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation Center  
11600 Education Street  
Auburn, CA 95602

Legal Entity #: 802336

**B. PURPOSE**

To improve or prevent the deterioration of residents' current level of psychiatric functioning by providing collaborative wellness and recovery-based services. This Special Treatment Program (STP) provides adult ambulatory mental health inpatient care in a 24-hour delayed-egress facility.

**C. TARGET POPULATION**

Severely mentally ill adult clients aged 18 years and older, most of whom are conserved.

**D. SERVICES**

- A. Per Title 22, Special treatment programs shall provide programs to serve patients who have a chronic psychiatric impairment and whose adaptive functioning is moderately impaired. Special treatment program services are those therapeutic services which integrate individualized treatment plans, medication management and five key areas of improvement: self-help skills, interpersonal relationships, behavior intervention, prevocational skills, and pre-release planning.
- B. Residents set and achieve individualized goals by working with the program's professional staff, gaining coping skills, mental health awareness, and an overall sense of achievement. Utilizing the tools learned through groups focused on the five core areas, residents will have the opportunity to improve their overall mental and physical health while gaining the skills needed to succeed in the community.

- 1. Compliance with Medi-Cal Mental Health Plan (MHP) Requirements:

- 1.1. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable provisions of the COUNTY MHP or successor contract with the State of California which is in effect at the time services are provided, available from COUNTY upon request. All services, documentation, and reporting shall be provided in conformity with the requirements of all pertinent laws, regulations, and County requirements.
- 1.2. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal mental health requirements as set forth in Exhibit G entitled "Special Terms and Conditions," attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 1.3. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with all applicable provisions of the State of California Standard Agreement between COUNTY and DHCS for Managed Mental Health Care including, but not limited to, payment authorizations, utilization review, beneficiary brochure and provider lists, service planning, cooperation with the State Mental Health Plan's Quality Improvement (QI) Program, and cost reporting. A copy of the Standard Agreement will be provided to CONTRACTOR by COUNTY under separate cover upon request.

**1. Goals and Outcomes**

Contractor's program shall have the following goals and objectives:

1.1. Goals:

- 1.1.1. To aid patients in reconstituting from the crisis that precipitated their acute hospitalization, to prevent further disintegration that could lead to acute hospitalization, to prevent placement in more restrictive longer-term settings.
- 1.1.2. The facility shall offer no less than 27 program hours per week. Patients shall demonstrate improved functional behavior, as measured by movement through the facility levels of assessment phase.
- 1.1.3. To explore individual potential for improvement of quality of life, so as to significantly reduce recidivism to acute care facilities and prevent admission to other locked long-term care facilities or state hospitals.
- 1.1.4. To develop alternative therapeutic interventions for the target population that will enable them to remain in the community for significantly longer periods of time.
- 1.1.5. Clients shall have reduced medication levels, as measured through medication usage.
- 1.1.6. The Contractor's program shall offer benefit to clients through a variety of rehabilitation services such as (but not limited to) the following: individualized and group counseling; AA/NA/12 step groups; educational and GED prep sessions; wellness and recovery groups; art therapy; relapse prevention groups; nutritional counseling; life skills training; stress reduction; self-management skills; exercise group, social skills groups; DBT; CBT; peer support; vocational training and groups; personal motivation groups; pharmacology groups; and anger management.

1.2. Outcome Objectives:

- 1.2.1. Ninety percent (90%) of clients with a planned discharge (excluding clients who elope and do not return or who die) have improved their functioning
- 1.2.2. At least 90% of residents admitted will complete six months of residency or be successfully placed at a lower level of care. Patients who are discharged and readmitted within three weeks will be considered to have continuous residency.
- 1.2.3. For patients completing three months of residency, acute psychiatric hospitalization will be reduced 70% in the six months following discharge compared to the average six-month period in the two years prior to admission.
- 1.2.4. Recidivism: At least 60% of patients with a planned termination will not be admitted in an acute care psychiatric hospital within six months after discharge.

## **2. Target Population and Geographic Area**

- 2.1. Target Population: Contractor shall provide the services described herein to the following target population:
  - 2.1.1. Contractor shall serve patients who have a chronic psychiatric impairment and whose adaptive functioning is impaired as described and defined in Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 51335. 72443-72475.
  - 2.1.2. The population to be served by this program is mentally ill adults, from 18 and older, in need of structured, round-the-clock psychiatric care and treatment. Most of the patients will have episodic psychiatric illnesses of long duration, which may be accompanied by medical problems.
  - 2.1.3. As a result their histories may be characterized with multiple previous hospitalizations in acute care, locked long-term care and/or State hospital facilities, detention under permanent conservatorships, alienation from their families of origin or conflicting family relationships, history of interrupted or aborted educations experiences, multiple fragmented contacts with community mental health and social service agencies, reliance on public assistance and supplemental income, inability to structure time or pursue long-range goals with any degree of success, a lack of social and vocational skills common to the age grouping into which these patients fall, and finally, a generally consistent expressed and active resistance to treatment.
  - 2.1.4. These patients tend to consume a disproportionate share of limited mental health resources. Caring for this targeted population requires specialized IMP/STP facilities. This is the most efficient and effective means of insuring their well-being.
  - 2.1.5. Individuals that are temporarily or permanently conserved, or may sign a voluntary admission agreement

2.2. Service Locations and Hours of Operation

2.2.1. Contractor facility addresses:

Siena Skilled Nursing & Rehab Center: 11600 Education St, Auburn, CA 95603  
Anberry Nursing & Rehabilitation: 1685 Shaffer Road, Atwater, CA 95301

2.2.1. 24 hours, seven days a week.

**3. Requirements for Service Delivery**

- 3.1. Contractor shall admit patients with a DSM V diagnosis subject to bed availability, the order of a physician, and compliance with reasonable admission policies and procedures and individuals in need of 24-hour skilled nursing services. Patients who may have histories of, and without adequate treatment are at risk of displaying behavioral symptoms which preclude them from being admitted into a lower-level care facility, shall also be considered acceptable for admission. Frequency, scope, and severity of these behaviors are a determining factor to be negotiated on an individual patient basis between COUNTY and the Contractor. It is agreed by COUNTY and the Contractor that individuals whose mental illness is deemed appropriate for acute care, as well as individuals suffering exclusively from developmental disability, mental retardation, or physical illnesses (without a psychiatric component) shall not be considered for admission.
- 3.2. Contractor shall provide the basic service level (the minimum array of services provided to IMD patients) which fully comply with Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations. Section 72445 which includes, when appropriate, life skill training, money management, training on accessing community services, transitional programs, and discharge planning. It is further agreed by the Contractor that basic services shall also include reasonable access to required medical treatment and up-to-date psychopharmacology and transportation to needed off-site services and bilingual and bicultural programming, as appropriate.
- 3.3. Services: Contractor shall provide, operate, and maintain an IMD/STP program in accordance with the most current Title 22, California Code of Regulations related to Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) and Special Treatment Programs (STP) regulations, and the current Program Manual for Skilled Nursing Facilities with Special Treatment Programs from the State Department of Health Care Services.
- 3.4. Bed Hold Days: When a client is out of the facility for up to 168 hours (7 days) due to extenuating circumstances (e.g., hospitalization at a non-Fee-for-Service Hospital, or an authorized visit to the client's family), the Contractor shall be allowed to claim for bed hold days. With prior approval by the Contracting Officer's Representative ("COR"), bed hold days may be billed at the negotiated rate per day less the estimated cost of food (see Exhibit C for payment).
- 3.5. Contractor shall pay for ancillary costs at the direction of the COR based on the directive of the Department of Health Care Services.
- 3.6. Contractor shall perform the following additional activities, but are not limited to:
- 3.6.1. Actively participate in client discharge planning with County Adult Behavioral Health Services representative and client.



- 3.6.2. Participate in meetings as directed by the County, to support collaboration with the County, in order to ensure efficient process and operations.
- 3.6.3. Cultural Competence: COR shall meet the standards as delineated in the County's Cultural Competence Standards.
- 3.7. Admission Criteria:
  - 3.7.1. To be eligible for admission, a patient must be:
  - 3.7.2. At least 18 years of age.
  - 3.7.3. Diagnosed as having a disabling psychiatric disorder such as Schizophrenia or affective disorders and require treatment in a 24-hour locked residential setting; and
  - 3.7.4. Temporarily or permanently conserved.
  - 3.7.5. Program Monitor: COUNTY shall designate a Program Monitor, who will assure that the program goals and objectives are met in accordance with contract terms and conditions. The Contractor will be notified in writing of the COUNTY designee responsible for program monitoring, referrals, approvals, and certification.
  - 3.7.6. Screening/Referral Process:
    - 3.7.6.1. COUNTY program monitor or designee will authorize all admissions of patients admitted to the facility under the terms of this contract. COUNTY will designate in writing the responsible individual(s) who will coordinate and be responsible for screening, referrals, and monitoring of this Agreement.
    - 3.7.6.2. Patients with complicated medical problems or conditions shall be carefully and individually screened with consultation from the Contractor's program and medical staff prior to acceptance and admission.
  - 3.7.7. The following patients will not be acceptable for admission:
    - 3.7.7.1. Patients with an infectious disease for whom Contractor cannot provide proper isolation or who cannot cooperate with needed isolation procedures and restrictions.
    - 3.7.7.2. Any patient needing drug or alcohol detoxification.
    - 3.7.7.3. Those with a primary diagnosis of sociopathy or substance abuse.
    - 3.7.7.4. Patients under 18 years of age.
    - 3.7.7.5. Patients with incontinence will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis
    - 3.7.7.6. Patients on any life support equipment, i.e., oxygen or IV.
    - 3.7.7.7. Patients in which their medical or mental health needs cannot be provided with in the facility.
    - 3.7.7.8. Voluntary patients
    - 3.7.7.9. Patients that physically assaulted or harmed anyone in the last 30 days
    - 3.7.7.10. Patients that are currently suicidal
    - 3.7.7.11. Patients in restraints
  - 3.7.8. Personal Considerations:

- 3.7.8.1. Upon admission, Contractor shall inform the patient of Patient's Rights as well as the rules and regulations of the program. Patient shall also be informed of the charge for care.
- 3.7.8.2. Contractor shall maintain a policy of equal access to treatment and service or all applicants meeting admission criteria. Patient Certification: Certification and recertification procedures shall be completed by the facility staff and reviewed by the COUNTY. All patients must be certified and approved by COUNTY prior to admission. Contractor will not be paid for any patient that has not been certified and approved by COUNTY. Patients will be reviewed on a regular basis by COUNTY program monitor or designee.

3.8. Clinical Program Description:

- 3.8.1. The major components of the treatment program shall follow four, more or less defined segments of clinical recovery.
  - 3.8.2. Patient Orientation – The central focus of initial treatment will be to provide the patient with a safe, predictable, reality oriented physical and psychological environment. Treatment will address the reduction of presenting symptomatology, but from the start will begin to consider possible outcomes and placement options.
  - 3.8.3. Assessment and Treatment Planning – This process includes the interdisciplinary assessment of the patient and the development of an integrated treatment plan by the treatment team.
  - 3.8.4. Rehabilitation and Treatment Milieu – During their stay, the patients will participate in group and individual activities directed towards restoring and/or achieving increased levels of function and independence in order to promote rapid return to the community.
  - 3.8.5. Discharge Preparation – The final clinical segment will focus upon finalizing preparation of the patient for returning to community life in the least restrictive environment. Linkages will be established with community care providers and other support resources, and treatment will be scaled down with increasing privileges. Whenever possible and appropriate, coordination will be established with patients' families.
- 3.9. Discharge Criteria and Planning: The contractor shall designate staff to provide planning for client discharges to less restrictive levels of care and follow-up treatment to other licensed facilities in coordination with the County. The County Program Monitor reserves the right to discharge clients when they disagree with clinical judgment of the facility professional staff. Should such circumstances occur, it will be duly recorded in the client's medical record that the discharge was made against medical advice. Contractor shall complete the County identified level of care tool at quarterly reviews beginning at six months of stay and when clients are discharged.

- 3.10. Limitations of Service: Any applicant shall be served if financial support can be provided by the patient, his/her family, county, billing State or Federal funding, or any other third-party payer. The program is not designed for patients whose mental impairments or need for nursing care services are higher than those provided by the Contractor. Contractor may discharge to acute psychiatric services any patient whose level of impairment requires acute hospitalization.
- 3.11. Minimum Staffing Qualifications: Contractor shall comply with staffing requirements as are in Title 22, California Code of Regulations. Contractor shall have on file job description, 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 contract.
- 3.12. Prior Authorization:
  - 3.12.1. Process: COUNTY shall provide Contractor with a completed authorization form prior to each patient admission. A patient may be admitted on the basis of verbal authorization from the COUNTY designee by mutual consent of the COUNTY designee and Contractor. The COUNTY designee supplies a completed authorization form within ten (10) working days from the date of admission.
  - 3.12.2. Billing for Services: Contractor shall be responsible for applying for any third-party revenues, including the collection of SSI/SSP revenue.
- 3.13. Contractor shall perform linkage and referrals to community-based organizations including, but not limited to, primary care clinics and complementary healing centers, faith-based congregations, ethnic organizations and peer-directed programs such as Clubhouses.
- 3.14. Contractor's program and services shall be trauma-informed and accommodate the vulnerabilities of trauma survivors and allow services to be delivered in a way that will avoid inadvertently re-traumatizing people and will facilitate consumer participation in services.
- 3.15. To ensure equal access to quality care by diverse populations, each service provider receiving funds from this contract shall adopt the federal Office of Minority Health (OMH) Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Service (CLAS) national standards. The National CLAS standards are located at:  
<https://www.thinkculturalhealth.hhs.gov/clas>
- 3.16. Tuberculosis (TB) Testing. Contractor shall follow TB testing guidelines for all employees and client residents.

#### **4. Data Collection and Reporting Requirements**

- 4.1. Quarterly status reports

#### **5. Customer Satisfaction Surveys**

Contractor shall conduct semi-annual customer satisfaction surveys during the term of the contract.

The survey shall include at minimum the following:

- All major services provided
- A survey of current customers
- A survey of former customers
- Rating of specific services offered or provided to the customer

- A provision for comments in every survey.

5.1. Contractor shall conduct the survey, compile the data and submit report findings to the County semi- annually.

Contractor shall specify the total number of participants who responded to the survey compared to the total number of participants served.



**EXHIBIT B  
SCHEDULE OF CHARGES AND PAYMENTS**

The maximum payments during the term of this Contract shall not exceed Four Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$450,000) for the entire contract term of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026 unless sooner terminated as provided in this Agreement. Amount not to exceed \$225,000 for fiscal year 2024/25.

Subject to the satisfactory performance of the services required of Contractor pursuant to this Agreement, and to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, and following Contractor's submission of an appropriate claim, and such other documentation that the County may require, County shall pay Contractor according to the terms set forth below. Contractor agrees to accept the foregoing payments as full and complete payment for all services provided pursuant to this Agreement, irrespective of whether the cost of such services and related administrative expenses exceed such payments.

County shall pay Contractor the amount payable calculated based on the interim rates specified below for services that have been authorized and provided in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

<b>Item</b>	<b>Pay Point Description</b>	<b>Daily Rate per Client</b>
LTC Patch A	<p><b>Special Care Standard Rate</b> Adult Ambulatory Mental Health In-Patient Client/24-Hour Facility that includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basic Care Services</li> <li>• LTC Treatment Services</li> <li>• Case Management Services</li> </ul>	\$250/day
LTC Patch B	<p><b>Special Care Additional Services Rate</b> Adult Adaptive, Special, Extraordinary Needs Mental Health In-Patient Client/24-Hour Facility that includes Adaptive, Special, Extraordinary Needs Client/24-hours client facility that includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basic Care Services</li> <li>• LTC Treatment Services</li> <li>• Case Management Services</li> </ul>	\$275/day
LTC Patch C	<p><b>Special Care Additional Services Intense Rate</b> Adult Adaptive, Special, Extraordinary Needs Mental Health In-Patient Client/24-Hour Facility that includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basic Care Services</li> <li>• Treatment Services</li> <li>• Intense Case Management Services</li> <li>• High acuity-behavioral and medical</li> <li>• AWOL Risk</li> </ul>	\$300/day

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased Psychology and Psychiatry Intervention</li> <li>• Additional staffing required for safety/supervision</li> <li>• Specialty Psychiatry and/or Medical Services</li> </ul>	
**LTC Indigent Rate	<b>Clients with No Active Medi-Cal Benefits</b>	A - \$550/day B - \$575/day C - \$600/day
LTC Murphy Patch Rate	<b>Murphy Client</b>	A - \$450/day B - \$475/day C - \$500/day
**LTC Murphy Indigent Rate	<b>Murphey Clients With No Active Medi-Cal Benefits</b>	A - \$600/day B - \$625/day C - \$650/day

<b>Item</b>	<b>Pay Point Description</b>	<b>Daily Rate per Client</b>
STP Patch A	<b>Special Care Standard Rate</b> Adult Ambulatory Mental Health In-Patient Client/24-Hour Facility that includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basic Care Services</li> <li>• Treatment Services</li> <li>• Case Management Services</li> </ul>	\$325/day
STP Patch B	<b>Special Care Additional Services Rate</b> Adult Adaptive, Special, Extraordinary Needs Mental Health In-Patient Client/24-Hour Facility that includes Adaptive, Special, Extraordinary Needs Client/24-hours client facility that includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basic Care Services</li> <li>• Treatment Services</li> <li>• Case Management Services</li> </ul>	\$360/day
STP Patch C	<b>Special Care Additional Services Intense Rate</b> Adult Adaptive, Special, Extraordinary Needs Mental Health In-Patient Client/24-Hour Facility that includes Adaptive, Special, Extraordinary Needs Client/24-hours client facility that includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basic Care Services</li> </ul>	\$395/day

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Treatment Services</li> <li>• Case Management Services</li> <li>• High acuity</li> <li>• AWOL Risk</li> <li>• Additional staffing required</li> </ul>	
**STP Indigent Rate	<b>Client With No Active Medi-Cal Benefits</b>	A- \$600/day B- \$625/day C- \$650/day
STP Murphy Patch Rate	<b>Murphy Client</b>	A - \$475/day B - \$500/day C - \$525/day
**STP Murphy Indigent Rate	<b>Murphey Clients With No Active Medi-Cal Benefits</b>	A - \$650/day B - \$675/day C - \$700/day

Contractor shall remit invoices to:  
Nevada County Behavioral Health  
500 Crown Point Circle, Suite 120  
Grass Valley, CA 95945

- H. County shall authorize payment within forty-five (45) days of the receipt of Contractor’s appropriate claim, required reports, and any further documentation requested by the County for purposes of this Agreement.
- I. In the event that the Contractor fails to comply with any provision of this Agreement, County may withhold payment otherwise due to Contractor pursuant to this Agreement or any other agreement between Contractor and County until such noncompliance has been corrected.
- J. Claims submitted one hundred eighty (180) days after the date of service will be denied in accordance with State of California regulations concerning timely submission.

Late claims submitted with a written request within a reasonable timeframe before the one hundred eighty (180) day regulation cut off, if it is due to circumstances beyond the control of the Contractor, may be approved by the Behavioral Health Director for claim submission.

- K. 1.County will demand repayment from Contractor for compensation made to the Contractor, in the event that any goods and/or services related to such compensation are subsequently determined disallowable, regardless of reason.
- 2.Any such disallowance related to the current term of this Agreement will be due and payable immediately to the County. County will recoup from Contractor by offsetting any payment otherwise due Contractor pursuant to this Agreement or any other agreement between Contractor and County.
- 3. Any such disallowance related to the prior terms of this Agreement or any other agreement between Contractor and County will be due and payable within forty-five (45) days of mailing a demand letter from County to Contractor. Thereafter, unless otherwise negotiated with and approved

by the Director, County will recoup from Contractor the amount due, by offsetting any payment otherwise due Contractor pursuant to this Agreement or any other agreement between Contractor and County.

4. In the event that the aggregated payment otherwise due Contractor pursuant to this Agreement or any other agreement between Contractor and County is less than the amount due, and when all payments otherwise due Contractor have been exhausted, Contractor shall make payment to the County for any balance due based on a payment plan negotiated with and approved by the Behavioral Health Director.
- L. Any other provision of this Agreement notwithstanding, because this Agreement is funded by the State Contracts, the County's obligation to compensate Contractor pursuant to this Agreement is contingent upon, and subject to, the County's receipt of such funding from the State, and the absence or removal of any constraints imposed by the State upon such receipt and payment.
- M. Contractor shall use the funds provided by County exclusively for the purposes of performing the services required by this Agreement. No funds provided by County pursuant to this Agreement shall be used for any political activity or political contribution.
- N. Contractor shall hold harmless the State and clients in the event that the County does not pay for services in accordance with this Agreement.
- O. The Indigent Rate will apply when the Contractor admits a client from the County who is not enrolled nor covered for services under their traditional Medi-Cal benefits. The Indigent Rate shall never be less than the published Medi-Cal Rate plus the approved Patch Rate in effect at the time services are provided. When a County client is enrolled in a Managed Medi-Cal Plan which does not provide coverage for services, Contractor will work with the client's Conservator to disenroll from the Managed Medi-Cal Plan into traditional Medi-Cal, and such disenrollment shall be retroactively effective on the date of admission for services. However, if Medi-Cal does not provide retroactive eligibility, the non-covered days will be billed to the County at the Indigent Rate included in the rate section of this Agreement. Contractor will have one hundred eighty (180) days after the date of service to bill the Indigent Rate days to the County, no other billing timelines specified in this contract will apply. If Contractor receives payment from another payment source for the Indigent Rate days billed to and paid by the County, Contractor will refund the County for only the days paid by the other payment source.

Payment shall be made to CONTRACTOR for the number of days service is provided under this Agreement pursuant to the following conditions and terms:

1. For those COUNTY persons served under this Agreement ages 18 years and older, COUNTY shall be responsible to CONTRACTOR for the SNF/STP rate approved by California Department of Health Care Services which is currently identified as the standard rate listed in the rate table.
2. COUNTY shall also be responsible to CONTRACTOR for an additional Ancillary Services Rate as contained in the rate table above. SNF/STP rates shall be adjusted in accordance with DHCS annual published rates (AB 1629). The designated COUNTY and CONTRACTOR staff shall mutually determine the Enhanced Level of Care for COUNTY persons. The maximum daily rate to be paid by COUNTY to CONTRACTOR is a combination of the approved SNF/STP rate plus the applicable Ancillary Services Rate.
3. The specific number of bed days purchased in the service type categories (SNF/STP) may vary upon clinical need and availability, and no minimum is guaranteed. The specific cost per bed in

each of the aforementioned categories will be as contained in the above rate table. Any rate that is not listed (i.e., single room occupancy) will be negotiated and agreed upon by both parties prior to the period for which the rate will be charged.

4. Bed Hold. Bed Holds once authorized, will remain in effect until which time the patient returns to the facility or either party (County or facility) notifies the other of its desire to discontinue the bed hold. The bed hold day rate may be authorized for patients on unauthorized leave, AWOL, and status of COUNTY has been notified within one (1) business day of the patient's absence. Non-Medi-Cal eligible patients shall be charged the Bed Hold rate to reserve their bed.
5. Patient Fees and Third-Party Billing:
  - 5.1. COUNTY residents receiving services as described in Section 1 shall be charged for such services in accordance with their ability to pay, but such charges shall not exceed the actual cost of providing such services. CONTRACTOR shall determine patient fees for COUNTY residents based upon the ability to pay principle. CONTRACTOR shall establish policies and procedures for such fee assessment and collection including publication of current fee schedules for all billable services, which should be updated annually, covering all reimbursable costs. At no time is CONTRACTOR free to withhold services due to a COUNTY patient's inability to pay for all or a portion of services at the time they are required. After this Agreement's expiration or cancellation, CONTRACTOR will continue to bill patients monthly to collect all revenue for services rendered to COUNTY residents during the term of this Agreement. Patient fees collected from COUNTY residents shall be budgeted and utilized to offset the costs charged against this Agreement.
  - 5.2. Non-Medi-Cal beneficiaries receiving mental health services shall be charged fees in accordance with the DHCS Uniform Method of Determining Ability to Pay (UMDAP). CONTRACTOR shall report UMDAP fees paid to COUNTY annually. The patient's annual liability shall be calculated in accordance with UMDAP effective 10/1/1989.
  - 5.3. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for billing and collecting from all third-party revenue sources for COUNTY patients receiving services including, but not limited to, private insurance co-payments and Medi-Cal Share-of-Cost. CONTRACTOR shall recover the value of covered services rendered to beneficiaries whenever the beneficiaries are covered for the same services, either fully or partially, under any other State or Federal medical care program or under other contractual or legal entitlement including, but not limited to, a private group or indemnification program, but excluding instances of the tort liability of a third party or casualty liability insurance.
  - 5.4. CONTRACTOR shall first apply any COUNTY patient revenues collected (including, but not limited to: patient fees, third party reimbursements, private contracts, VA, food stamps, general assistance, social security payments or any other source of COUNTY patient revenues) to billable services as an offset to the costs charged against this Agreement. The remaining balance may be claimed against this contract funding.
  - 5.5. CONTRACTOR shall not submit a claim to, or demand or otherwise collect reimbursement from, the beneficiary or persons acting on behalf of the beneficiary for any specialty mental health or related administrative services provided under this contract, except to collect other health insurance coverage, share of cost, and co-payments.



**EXHIBIT C**  
**INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**  
**GHC OF AUBURN, LLC DBA SIENA SKILLED NURSING & REHABILITATION CENTER**

**Insurance.** Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by Contractor, its agents, representatives, or employees. Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

1. **Commercial General Liability (CGL):** Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than **\$2,000,000** per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location (ISO CG 25 03 or 25 04) or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
2. **Automobile Liability:** Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering, Code 1 (any auto), or if Contractor has no owned autos, Code 8 (hired) and 9 (non-owned), with limit no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
3. **Workers' Compensation:** Insurance as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury or disease.
4. **Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions)** Insurance covering medical malpractice and **social worker** case management malpractice, also sexual molestation/misconduct/abuse, and information privacy coverage with limit no less than **\$1,000,000** per occurrence or claim, **\$2,000,000** aggregate.
5. **Cyber Liability:** Insurance, with limit not less than **\$2,000,000** per occurrence or claim, **\$2,000,000** aggregate. Coverage shall be sufficiently broad to respond to the duties and obligations as is undertaken by Contractor in this Contract and shall include, but not be limited to, claims involving infringement of intellectual property, including but not limited to infringement of copyright, trademark, trade dress, invasion of privacy violations, information theft, damage to or destruction of electronic information, release of private information, alteration of electronic information, extortion and network security. The policy shall provide coverage for breach response costs as well as regulatory fines and penalties as well as credit monitoring expenses with limits sufficient to respond to these obligations.

If Contractor maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, County requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained by Contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to County.

**Other Insurance Provisions:**

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

1. **Additional Insured Status: County, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds** on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of the work or operations performed by or on behalf of Contractor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to Contractor's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or if not available, then through the addition of both CG 20 10, CG 20 25, CG 20 33, or CG 20 38; and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used.)



2. **Primary Coverage** For any claims related to this contract, **Contractor's insurance shall be primary** insurance primary coverage at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects County, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by County, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers shall be excess of Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
3. **Umbrella or Excess Policy** The Contractor may use Umbrella or Excess Policies to provide the liability limits as required in this agreement. This form of insurance will be acceptable provided that all of the Primary and Umbrella or Excess Policies shall provide all of the insurance coverages herein required, including, but not limited to, primary and non-contributory, additional insured, Self-Insured Retentions (SIRs), indemnity, and defense requirements. Umbrella or Excess policies shall be provided on a true "following form" or broader coverage basis, with coverage at least as broad as provided on the underlying Commercial General Liability insurance. No insurance policies maintained by the Additional Insureds, whether primary or excess, and which also apply to a loss covered hereunder, shall be called upon to contribute to a loss until the Contractor's primary and excess liability policies are exhausted.
4. **Notice of Cancellation** This policy shall not be changed without first giving thirty (30) days prior written notice and ten (10) days prior written notice of cancellation for non-payment of premium to County.
5. **Waiver of Subrogation** Contractor hereby grants to County a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer or said Contractor may acquire against County by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not County has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.
6. **Sole Proprietors** If Contractor is a Sole Proprietor and has no employees, they are not required to have Workers Compensation coverage. Contractor shall sign a statement attesting to this condition, and shall agree they have no rights, entitlements or claim against County for any type of employment benefits or workers' compensation or other programs afforded to County employees.
7. **Self-Insured Retentions** must be declared to and approved by the County. The County may require the Contractor to provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claims administration, and defense expenses within the retention. The Policy language shall provide, or be endorsed to provide, that the self-insured retention may be satisfied by either the named insured or County. The CGL and any policies, including Excess liability policies, may not be subject to a self-insured retention (SIR) or deductible that exceeds **\$25,000** unless approved in writing by the County. Any and all deductibles and SIRs shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor or subcontractor who procured such insurance and shall not apply to the Indemnified Additional Insured Parties. County may deduct from any amounts otherwise due Contractor to fund the SIR/deductible. Policies shall NOT contain any self-insured retention (SIR) provision that limits the satisfaction of the SIR to the Named. The policy must also provide that Defense costs, including the Allocated Loss Adjustment Expenses, will satisfy the SIR or deductible. County reserves the right to obtain a copy of any policies and endorsements for verification.
8. **Deductible and Self-Insured Retentions** Deductible and Self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by County. County may require Contractor to provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claims administration, and defense expenses within the retention. The policy language shall provide, or be endorsed to provide, that the self-insured retention may be satisfied by either the named insured or County.
9. **Acceptability of Insurers:** Insurance is to be placed with insurers authorized to conduct business in the State with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to County.
10. **Claims Made Policies** if any of the required policies provide coverage on a claims-made basis:

- a. The Retroactive Date must be shown and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
  - b. Insurance must be maintained, and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the contract of work.
  - c. If the coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another **claims-made policy form with a Retroactive Date**, prior to the contract effective date, Contractor must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of **five (5)** years after completion of contract work.
11. **Verification of Coverage** Contractor shall furnish County with original Certificates of Insurance including all required amendatory endorsements (or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause) and a copy of the Declarations and Endorsement Page of the CGL policy listing all policy endorsements to County before work begins. However, failure to obtain and provide verification of the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive Contractor's obligation to provide them. County reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time
  12. **Subcontractors** Contractor shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein, and Contractor shall ensure that County is an additional insured on insurance required from subcontractors. For CGL coverage subcontractors shall provide coverage with a format at least as broad as CG 20 38 04 13.
  13. **Special Risks or Circumstances** County reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.
  14. **Premium Payments** The insurance companies shall have no recourse against County and funding agencies, its officers and employees or any of them for payment of any premiums or assessments under any policy issued by a mutual insurance company.
  15. **Material Breach** Failure of Contractor to maintain the insurance required by this Contract, or to comply with any of the requirements of this section, shall constitute a material breach of the entire Contract.
  16. **Certificate Holder** The Certificate Holder on insurance certificates and related documents should read as follows:

County of Nevada  
950 Maidu Ave.  
Nevada City, CA 95959

Upon initial award of a Contract to your firm, you may be instructed to send the actual documents to a County contact person for preliminary compliance review.

Certificates which amend or alter the coverage during the term of the Contract, including updated certificates due to policy renewal, should be sent directly to Contract Administrator

**EXHIBIT D**  
**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROVISIONS**

Certain programs will be subject to specific local, state, or federal requirements depending on their scope of services or work provided. Not all provisions below will apply to all behavioral health programs, so please be familiar with the ones your specific program is held to.

**1. Laws, Statutes, and Regulations:**

- A. Contractor agrees to comply with the Bronzan-McCorquodale Act (Welfare and Institutions Code, Division 5, 6, and 9, Section 5600 et seq. and Section 4132.44), Title 9 and Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations, Title XIX of the Social Security Act, State Department of Health Care Services Policy Letters, and Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Sections 434.6 and 438.608 which relate to, concern or affect the Services to be provided under this Contact.
- B. Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control:  
Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), as amended, which provides that contracts and subcontracts of amounts in excess of \$100,000 shall contain a provision that Contractor and any subcontractor shall comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issues pursuant to the Clear Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act. Violations shall be reported to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.
- C. For the provision of services as provided herein, Contractor shall not employ or contract with providers or other individuals and entities excluded from participation in Federal Health Care Programs under either Section 1128 or 1128A of the Social Security Act and shall screen all individuals and entities employed or retained to provide services for eligibility to participate in Federal Health Care programs (see <http://oig.hhs.gov/exclusions/index.asp> and <http://files.medical.ca.gov/pubsdoco/SandILanding.asp> ). Contractor shall check monthly and immediately report to the department if there is a change of status.
- D. Dymally-Alatorre Bilingual Act:  
Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Dymally-Alatorre Bilingual Act which requires that state agencies, their contractors, consultants or services providers that serve a substantial number of non-English-speaking people employ a sufficient amount of bilingual persons in order to provide certain information and render certain services in a language other than English.
- E. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment:  
Contractor certifies that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 USC 1352. Contractor shall also disclose to Department of Health Care Services (“DHCS”) any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award.
- F. Ownership: Contractor shall provide written verification of compliance with CFR, Title 42, sections 455.101 and 455.104. This verification will be provided to Nevada County Behavioral Health (“NCBH”) by December 31 of each year and when prescribed below.

(a) Who must provide disclosures. The Medi-Cal agency must obtain disclosures from disclosing entities, fiscal agents, and managed care entities. Contractor and any of its subcontractors/network providers providing services pursuant to this Contract shall submit the disclosures below to NCBH regarding the network providers' (disclosing entities') ownership and control. Contractor's network providers must submit updated disclosures to NCBH upon submitting the provider application, before entering into or renewing the network providers' contracts, and within 35 days after any change in the provider's ownership and/or annually.

(b) Disclosures to be provided:

- The name and address of any person (individual or corporation) with an ownership or control interest in the disclosing entity, fiscal agent, or managed care entity. The address for corporate entities must include as applicable primary business address, every business location, and P.O. Box address.
- Date of birth and Social Security Number (in the case of an individual).
- Other tax identification number (in the case of a corporation) with an ownership or control interest in the disclosing entity (or fiscal agent or managed care entity) or in any subcontractor in which the disclosing entity (or fiscal agent or managed care entity) has a five (5) percent or more interest.
- Whether the person (individual or corporation) with an ownership or control interest in the disclosing entity (or fiscal agent or managed care entity) is related to another person with ownership or control interest in the disclosing entity as a spouse, parent, child, or sibling; or whether the person (individual or corporation) with an ownership or control interest in any subcontractor in which the disclosing entity (or fiscal agent or managed care entity) has a five (5) percent or more interest is related to another person with ownership or control interest in the disclosing entity as a spouse, parent, child, or sibling.
- The name of any other disclosing entity (or fiscal agent or managed care entity) in which an owner of the disclosing entity (or fiscal agent or managed care entity) has an ownership or control interest.
- The name, address, date of birth, and Social Security Number of any managing employee of the disclosing entity (or fiscal agent or managed care entity).

(c) When the disclosures must be provided.

- I. Disclosures from providers or disclosing entities. Disclosure from any provider or disclosing entity is due at any of the following times:
  - i. Upon the provider or disclosing entity submitting the provider application.
  - ii. Upon the provider or disclosing entity executing the provider Contract.
  - iii. Upon request of the Medi-Cal agency during the re-validation of enrollment process under § 455.414.
  - iv. Within 35 days after any change in ownership of the disclosing entity.
- II. Disclosures from fiscal agents. Disclosures from fiscal agents are due at any of the following times:
  - i. Upon the fiscal agent submitting the proposal in accordance with the State's procurement process.
  - ii. Upon the fiscal agent executing the contract with the State.
  - iii. Upon renewal or extension of the contract.
  - iv. Within 35 days after any change in ownership of the fiscal agent.

- III. Disclosures from managed care entities. Disclosures from managed care entities (MCOs, PIHPs, PAHPs, and HIOs), except PCCMs are due at any of the following times:
    - i. Upon the managed care entity submitting the proposal in accordance with the State's procurement process.
    - ii. Upon the managed care entity executing the contract with the State.
    - iii. Upon renewal or extension of the contract.
    - iv. Within 35 days after any change in ownership of the managed care entity.
    - v. Disclosures from PCCMs. PCCMs will comply with disclosure requirements under paragraph (c)(1) of this section.
  - (d) To whom must the disclosures be provided. All disclosures must be provided to the Med-Cal agency.
  - (e) Consequences for failure to provide required disclosures. Federal financial participation ("FFP") is not available in payments made to a disclosing entity that fails to disclose ownership or control information as required by this section.
- G. Contractor shall have a method to verify whether services billed to Medi-Cal were actually furnished to Medi-Cal beneficiaries. Contractor's verification method shall be based on random samples and will specify the percentage of total services provided that shall be verified. Contractor's verification process shall be submitted to and approved by the NCBH Quality Assurance Manager. Contractor will report the outcome of service verification activities to the NCBH Quality Assurance Manager quarterly.

**2. Client/Patient Records:**

Where this contract is for services relating to the mental health or the medical needs or condition of clients or patients:

- A. HEALTH RECORDS: Contractor shall maintain adequate mental and/or medical health records of each individual client/patient which shall include a record of services provided by the various professional personnel in sufficient detail to make possible an evaluation of services, and which shall contain all necessary data as required by NCBH and State or federal regulations, including but not limited to records of client/patient interviews and progress notes.
- B. TREATMENT PLAN: Contractor shall also maintain a record of services provided, including the goals and objectives of any treatment plan and the progress toward achieving those goals and objectives. County shall be allowed to review all client/patient record(s) during site visits, or at any reasonable time. Specialized mental health services provided by Contractor shall be in accordance and as defined by the California Code of Regulation Title 9, Chapter 11, and in compliance with Nevada County's Mental Health Plan.
- C. LOCATION / OWNERSHIP OF RECORDS: If Contractor works primarily in a County facility, records shall be kept in County's facility and owned by County. If Contractor works in another facility or a school setting, the records shall be owned and kept by Contractor and upon demand by County, a copy of all original records shall be delivered to County within a reasonable time from the conclusion of this Contract.
- D. CONFIDENTIALITY: Such records and information shall be maintained in a manner and pursuant to procedures designed to protect the confidentiality of the client/patient records. Contractor agrees to maintain confidentiality of information and records as required by applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and rules, and recognized standards of



professional practice and further agrees to hold County harmless from any breach of confidentiality.

- E. RETENTION OF RECORDS: Except as provided below, Contractor shall maintain and preserve all clinical records related to this Contract for seven (7) years from the date of discharge for adult clients, and records of clients under the age of eighteen (18) at the time of treatment must be retained until either one (1) year beyond the clients eighteenth (18th) birthday or for a period of seven (7) years from the date of discharge, whichever is later. Psychologists' records involving minors must be kept until the minor's 25<sup>th</sup> birthday. Contractor shall also contractually require the maintenance of such records in the possession of any third party performing work related to this Contract for the same period of time. Such records shall be retained beyond the seven year period, if any audit involving such records is then pending, until the audit findings are resolved. The obligation to ensure the maintenance of the records beyond the initial seven year period shall arise only if County notifies Contractor of the commencement of an audit prior to the expiration of the seven year period.

To the extent Contractor is a Managed Care Organization ("MCO"), a Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan, a Prepaid Ambulatory Health Plan ("PAHP"), or a Medi-Cal services provider, Contractor shall maintain and preserve all records related to this contract for ten (10) years from the start date of this Contract, pursuant to CFR 42 438.3(u). If the client or patient is a minor, the client's or patient's health service records shall be retained for a minimum of ten (10) years from the close of the State fiscal year in which the Contract was in effect, or the date the client or patient reaches 18 years of age, whichever is longer, regardless of when services were terminated with the client. Health service records may be retained in either a written or an electronic format. Contractor shall also contractually require the maintenance of such records in the possession of any third party performing work related to this contract for the same period of time. Such records shall be retained beyond the ten (10) year period if any audit involving such records is then pending, and until the audit findings are resolved. The obligation to ensure the maintenance of the records beyond the initial ten (10) year period shall arise only if County notifies Contractor of the commencement of an audit prior to the expiration of the ten (10) year period.

- F. REPORTS: Contractor shall provide reports to County from time to time as necessary, and as reasonably requested by County. Contractor agrees to provide County with reports that may be required by County, State or Federal agencies for compliance with this Contract.
- G. COPIES OF RECORDS: Upon termination of this Contract, Contractor agrees to cooperate with client/patients, County and subsequent providers with respect to the orderly and prompt transfer of client or patient records. This Contract does not preclude Contractor from assessing reasonable charges for the expense of transferring such records if appropriate. Said charges shall be twenty-five Cents (\$0.25) per page, plus the cost of labor, not to exceed Sixteen Dollars (\$16.00) per hour or pro rata fraction thereof, for actual time required to photocopy said records.
- H. CULTURAL COMPETENCE: Contractor shall provide services pursuant to this Contract in accordance with current State statutory, regulatory and policy provisions related to cultural and linguistic competence as defined in the DHCS's most recent Information Notice(s) regarding Cultural Competence Plan Requirements ("CCPR"), that establish standards and criteria for the entire County Mental Health System, including Medi-Cal services, Mental Health Services Act ("MHSA"), and Realignment as part of working toward achieving cultural and linguistic competence. The CCPR standards and criteria as cited in California Code of Regulations, Title, 9, Section 1810.410, are applicable to organizations/agencies that provide mental health services via Medi-Cal, MHSA, and/or Realignment.

- I. PATIENTS' RIGHTS: Patients' Rights shall be in compliance with Welfare and Institutions Code Division 5, Section 5325 et seq.; and California Code of Regulations, Title 9, Section 862 et seq and Title 42 CFR Section 438.100.
- J. HOURS OF OPERATION: Pursuant to Title 42 CFR, Section 438.206 (c)(1)(ii) if Contractor also serves individuals who are not Medi-Cal beneficiaries, the Contractor shall require that the hours of operation during which Contractor offers services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries are no less than and comparable to the hours of operation during which the Contractor offers services to non-Medi-Cal beneficiaries.
- K. WRITTEN MATERIALS: Contractor shall ensure that all written materials it provides or is otherwise required to make available to the client, including, but not limited to, all documents requiring signature or authorization of the client, shall be in a minimum of 12 point font, and a minimum of 18 point font for written materials required to be in large print, including but not limited to any Contractor Brochures, Consent to Treatment, Treatment Plans, etc.

**3. 42 C.F.R. Laws and Regulations:** MCO, Prepaid inpatient health plan ("PIHP"), PAHP

To the extent Contractor is a MCO, a PIHP, a PAHP, a Primary Care Case Manager, or a Medi-Cal Services Provider, Contractor shall comply with, and report to County any violation of or non-compliance with, the following requirements and restrictions:

- A. DEBARRED, SUSPENDED, CONTRACTORS: Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. Section 438.610, Contractor shall not knowingly have a relationship with the following:
  - a.1 An individual or entity that is debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from participating in procurement activities under the Federal Acquisition Regulation or from participating in non-procurement activities under regulations issued under Executive Order No. 12549 or under guidelines implementing Executive Order No. 12549.
  - a.2 An individual or entity who is an affiliate, as defined in the Federal Acquisition Regulation at 48 CFR 2.101, of a person described in this section.
- B. EMPLOYING/CONTRACTING WITH PROVIDERS WHO ARE EXCLUDED: Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. Section 438.214(d), Contractor shall not employ or contract with providers or other individuals and entities excluded from participation in federal health care programs (as defined in section 1128B(f) of the Social Security Act) under either Section 1128, 1128A, or 1156 of the Social Security Act. FFP is not available for amounts expended for providers excluded by Medicare, Medicaid, or the State Children's Health Insurance Program, except for emergency services.

The types of relationships prohibited by this section, are as follows:

- (a) A director, officer, or partner of Contractor.
- (b) A subcontractor of Contractor, as governed by 42 CFR §438.230.
- (c) A person with beneficial ownership of 5 percent or more of Contractor's equity.
- (d) A network provider or person with an employment, consulting, or other arrangement with Contractor for the provision of items and services that are significant and material to Contractor's obligations under this Contract.
- (e) Contractor shall not employ or contract with, directly or indirectly, such individuals or entities for the furnishing of health care, utilization review, medical social work,

administrative services, management, or provision of medical services (or the establishment of policies or provision of operational support for such services).

If County finds that Contractor is not in compliance, County:

- (a) Shall notify the Secretary of State of the noncompliance; and
- (b) May continue an existing Contract with Contractor unless the Secretary directs otherwise, which shall serve as a basis to immediately terminate this Contract; or
- (c) May not renew or otherwise extend the duration of an existing Contract with Contractor unless the Secretary provides to the State and to Congress a written statement describing compelling reasons that exist for renewing or extending the Contract despite the prohibited affiliations.
- (d) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit or otherwise affect any remedies available to the U.S. under sections 1128, 1128A or 1128B of the Act.

Unless specifically prohibited by this Contract or by federal or state law, Contractor may delegate duties and obligations of Contractor under this contract to subcontracting entities if Contractor determines that the subcontracting entities selected are able to perform the delegated duties in an adequate manner in compliance with the requirements of this contract.

Contractor shall maintain ultimate responsibility for adhering to and otherwise fully complying with all terms and conditions of its contract with the County, notwithstanding any relationship(s) that the Mental Health Plan may have with any subcontractor.

- C. RECOVERY OF OVERPAYMENTS: Contractor is responsible for the refund of any overpayments and shall notify County **within 30 calendar days** when it has identified payments in excess of amounts specified for reimbursement of Medicaid services authorized under this Contract.

County shall maintain the right to suspend payments to Contractor when County determines there is a credible allegation of fraud.

Contractor shall comply with County's retention policies for the treatment of recoveries of all overpayments from Contractor, including specifically the retention policies for the treatment of recoveries of overpayments due to fraud, waste, or abuse.

- D. REASONABLE ACCESS & ACCOMMODATIONS: Contractor shall ensure that it provides physical access, reasonable accommodations, and accessible equipment for Medicaid enrollees with physical or mental disabilities. [42 CFR 438.206(c)(3)].

- E. BENEFICIARY'S RIGHTS: Contractor shall inform Medi-Cal Beneficiaries of their following rights:

- Beneficiary grievance, appeal, and fair hearing procedures and timeframes as specified in 42 CFR 438.400 through 42 CFR 438.424.
- The beneficiary's right to file grievances and appeals and the requirements and timeframes for filing.
- The availability of assistance to the beneficiary with filing grievances and appeals.
- The beneficiary's right to request a State fair hearing after Contractor has made a determination on an enrollee's appeal, which is adverse to the beneficiary.

- The beneficiary's right to request continuation of benefits that Contractor seeks to reduce or terminate during an appeal or state fair hearing filing, if filed within the allowable timeframes, although the beneficiary may be liable for the cost of any continued benefits while the appeal or state fair hearing is pending if the final decision is adverse to the beneficiary.

- F. EXCLUSION LISTS AND STATUS: Contractor and any person with an ownership or control interest or who is an agent or managing employee of Contractor agrees to routine federal and state database checks pursuant to 42 C.F.R. 455.436 to confirm Contractor's identity and determining Contractor's exclusion status.

Consistent with the requirements of 42 C.F.R. Section 455.436, the Contractor must confirm the identify and determine the exclusion status of all providers (employees and network providers) and any subcontractor, as well as any person with an ownership or control interest, or who is an agent of managing employee of the of the Mental Health Plan through routine checks of Federal and State databases. This includes the Social Security Administration's Death Master File, the National Plan and Provider Enumeration System, the Office of Inspector General's List of Excluded Individuals/Entities, the System for Award Management, as well as the Department's Medi-Cal Suspended and Ineligible Provider List.

If the Contractor finds that a party is excluded, it must promptly notify the County and take action consistent with 42 C.F.R. Section 438.610(c). The Contractor shall not certify or pay any provider with Medi-Cal funds, and any such inappropriate payments or overpayments may be subject to recovery and/or be the basis for other sanctions by the appropriate authority.

- G. SERVICE VERIFICATIONS: Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. Section 438.608(a)(5), the Contractor, and/or any subcontractor, to the extent that the subcontractor is delegated responsibility by the Contractor for coverage of services and payment of claims under this Contract, shall implement and maintain arrangements or procedures that include provisions to verify, by sampling or other methods, whether services that have been represented to have been delivered by network providers were received by enrollees and the application of such verification processes on a regular basis.

**EXHIBIT "E"**  
**SCHEDULE OF HIPAA PROVISIONS**  
**FOR COVERED ENTITY CONTRACTORS**

HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (HIPAA):  
HEALTH CARE PROVIDER AGREEMENT

Contractor acknowledges that it is a "health care provider" and therefore is a Covered Entity, for purposes of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA") and the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act of 2009 ("HITECH") and therefore is directly subject to the privacy, security and breach notification requirements therein and the civil and criminal penalties and shall implement its standards.

Contractor agrees to:

1. Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations pertaining to the confidentiality of individually identifiable protected health information (PHI) or personally identifiable information (PII) including, but not limited to, requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act, the California Welfare and Institutions Code regarding confidentiality of client information and records and all relevant County policies and procedures.
2. Contractor shall not use or disclose PHI or PII other than as permitted or required by law.
3. Develop and maintain a written information privacy and security program that includes the designation of Privacy and Security Officer and establishes and maintains appropriate safeguards to prevent any use or disclosure of PHI other than as provided for by this Contract and applicable law. Safeguards shall include administrative, physical, and technical safeguards appropriate to the size and complexity of Contractor's operations and the nature and scope of its activities. Contractor will provide County with information concerning such safeguards as County may reasonably request from time to time.
4. Track disclosures and make available the information required to provide an accounting of disclosures if requested by the individual or County in accordance with 45 CFR §164.528.
5. Ensure sufficient training and utilize reasonable measures to ensure compliance with requirements of this Contract by Contractor's workforce members who use or disclose PHI (in any form) to assist in the performance of functions or activities under this contract; and discipline such employees who intentionally violate any provisions of this Contract, including termination of employment. Workforce member training shall be documented and such documents retained for the period of this Contract and made available to County for inspection if requested.
6. Take prompt corrective action in the event of any security incident or any unauthorized use or disclosure of PHI to cure any such deficiencies and to take any action required by applicable federal and state laws and regulations.
7. Report to County any security incident or any unauthorized use or disclosure of PHI (in any form). Security incidents include attempted or successful unauthorized access, use, disclosure, modification, or destruction of information or interference with system operations in an information system. Contractor shall make this report by the next business day following



discovery of the use, disclosure, or security incident. Any unauthorized use or disclosure or security incident shall be treated as discovered by Contractor on the first day on which such use or disclosure or security incident is known to Contractor, including any person, other than the individual committing the unauthorized use or disclosure or security incident, that is an employee, officer or other agent of Contractor, or who should reasonably have known such unauthorized activities occurred. Reports should be made by email to [privacy.officer@nevadacountyca.gov](mailto:privacy.officer@nevadacountyca.gov) or by calling (530) 265-1740

8. Make Contractor's internal practices, books, and records relating to the use and disclosure of Protected Health Information received from or created or received by Contractor on behalf of County available to County upon request. In addition, Contractor will make these items available to the Secretary of the United States Health and Human Services for purposes of determining County's or Contractor's compliance with HIPAA and its implementing regulations (in all events Contractor shall immediately notify County of any such request, and shall provide County with copies of any such materials).
9. Contractor agrees that this Contract may be amended from time to time by County if and to the extent required by the provision of 42 U.S.C. § 1171, et seq., enacted by HIPAA and regulations promulgated thereunder, in order to assure that this Contract is consistent therewith; and authorize termination of the Contract by County if County determines that Contractor has violated a material term of this Contract.
10. Ensure that Contractor will enter into "Business Associate Agreements" as required by HIPAA including provisions that the Business Associate agrees to comply with the same restrictions, conditions and terms that apply to Contractor with respect to this Contract and with applicable requirements of HIPAA and HITECH. The Business Associate Agreement must be a written contract including permissible uses and disclosures and provisions where the Business Associate agrees to implement reasonable and appropriate security measures to protect the information (PHI or ePHI) it creates, receives, maintains or transmits on behalf of Contractor or County with respect to this Contract.

**EXHIBIT F**  
**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SECURITY**

**1. Notification of Data Security Incident**

For purposes of this section, “Data Security Incident” is defined as unauthorized access to the Contractor’s business and/or business systems by a third party, which access could potentially expose County data or systems to unauthorized access, disclosure, or misuse. In the event of a Data Security Incident, Contractor must notify County **in writing as soon as possible and no later than 48 hours after Contractor determines a Data Security Incident has occurred**. Notice should be made to all parties referenced in the “Notices” section of the Agreement. Notice must reference this contract number. Notice under this section must include the date of incident, Contractor’s systems and/or locations which were affected, and County services or data affected. The duty to notify under this section is broad, requiring disclosure whether any impact to County data is known at the time, to enable County to take immediate protective actions of its data and cloud environments.

Failure to notify under this section is a material breach, and County may immediately terminate the Agreement for failure to comply.

**2. Data Location**

- 2.1 Contractor shall not store or transfer non-public County of Nevada data outside the United States. This prohibition includes backup data and Disaster Recovery locations. The Contractor will permit its personnel and contractors to access County of Nevada data remotely only as required to provide technical support. Remote access to data from outside the continental United States is prohibited unless expressly approved in advance and in writing by the County.
- 2.2 The Contractor must notify the County **in writing within 48 hours** of any location changes to Contractor’s data center(s) that will process or store County data. Notice should be made to all parties referenced in the “Notices” section of the Agreement.

**3. Data Encryption**

- 3.1 The Contractor shall encrypt all non-public County data in transit regardless of the transit mechanism.
- 3.2 The Contractor shall encrypt all non-public County data at rest.
- 3.3 Encryption algorithms shall be AES-128 or better.

**4. Cybersecurity Awareness and Training**

The County maintains a robust Cybersecurity Awareness and Training program intended to assist employees and contractors with maintaining current knowledge of changing cybersecurity threats and countermeasures. Any contractor that is assigned a County network account will be assigned User Awareness training and must complete it within the time period it is assigned. Training completion progress is monitored by sponsor departments and non-compliant users may have their account suspended or restricted.

The County conducts email Phish testing on a regular basis to expose account holders to the types of potential threats.

Contractor will maintain a Cybersecurity Awareness and Training program for training staff at a minimum of once a year. Contractor will maintain records of the program for review by the County when requested.

**SUMMARY OF CONTRACT**

GHC of Auburn, LLC dba Siena Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation Center

**Description of Services:** Skilled Nursing Facility/Special Treatment Program (SNF/STP) and other Comm Health Services for Mentally Disordered Persons

**SUMMARY OF MATERIAL TERMS**

**Max Multi-Year Price:** \$450,000

FY 24/25 =\$225,000

FY 25/26 =\$225,000

**Contract Start Date:** 7/1/2024

**Contract End Date:** 6/30/2026

**Liquidated Damages:** N/A

**INSURANCE POLICIES**

Commercial General Liability	(\$2,000,000)	Worker's Compensation	(Statutory Limits)
		Professional Errors and Omissions	(\$1,000,000)
Automobile Liability	(\$1,000,000)	Cyber Liability	(\$2,000,000)

**FUNDING**

1589-40110-493-8201/521520

**LICENSES AND PREVAILING WAGES**

**Designate all required licenses:** All licenses required by the State to maintain SNF-STP status

**NOTICE & IDENTIFICATION**

<b>COUNTY OF NEVADA:</b>		<b>CONTRACTOR:</b>	
Nevada County, Health and Human Services Administration		GHC of Auburn, LLC c/o Generations Healthcare	
Address:	500 Crown Point Circle, Suite 100	Address	6 Hutton Center Drive, Suite 400
City, St, Zip	Grass Valley, CA 95945	City, St, Zip	Santa Ana, CA 92707
Attn:	Cari Yardley	Attn:	Marissa Brandel
Email:	Cari.Yardley@nevadacountyca.gov	Email:	Marissabrandel@lifegen.net
Phone:	(530) 470-2559	Phone:	714-241-5600

<b>Contractor is a:</b> (check all that apply)				<b>EDD Worksheet Required</b> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Corporation:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Calif. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other <input type="checkbox"/>	LLC <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Additional Terms &amp; Conditions Included</b>	
<b>Non-Profit:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	Corp. <input type="checkbox"/>			<b>(Grant Specific)</b> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Partnership:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	Calif. <input type="checkbox"/>	Other <input type="checkbox"/>	LLP <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Subrecipient</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Person:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	Indiv. <input type="checkbox"/>	DBA <input type="checkbox"/>	Ass'n <input type="checkbox"/>	Other <input type="checkbox"/>	

**ATTACHMENTS**

<b>Exhibit A:</b> Schedule of Services	<b>Exhibit D:</b> Behavioral Health Provisions
<b>Exhibit B:</b> Schedule of Charges and Payments	<b>Exhibit E:</b> Schedule of HIPAA Provisions
<b>Exhibit C:</b> Insurance Requirements	<b>Exhibit F:</b> Information Technology Security