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# **Stanislaus County**

# Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS)

# NARCOTIC TREATMENT PROGRAM (NPT)/OPIOID TREATMENT (OTP)

This open enrollment established qualified programs to provide services to clients in Stanislaus County. Stanislaus County BHRS has developed a set of minimum qualifications (MQ) required for providers listed below.

Open Enrollment Point Person: Dawn Vercelli, dvercelli@stanbhrs.org

# Estimated/Proposed Timeline

- July 31, 2023
  - Open Enrollment documents posted on Stancounty.com/bhrs under Quick Links NPT/OTP Open Enrollment.
- August 14, 2023
  - Deadline to submit questions to <u>CBHRS@stanbhrs.org</u>
- August 21, 2023
  - Questions & Answers will be posted on Stancounty.com/bhrs under Quick Links NPT/OTP.
- September 22, 2023
  - All required documents need to be submitted via email to <u>CBHRS@stanbhrs.org</u> or mailed to Stanislaus County BHRS ATTN: Contract Services at 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto, CA 95350.
- Facility walk-through will be conducted during October, November, and December.

# Minimum Qualifications

- Submit financial reports that include detailed information about NTPs facility's financial condition (e.g., audited/unaudited financial statements, as applicable, statement of income and retained earnings, letters of reference, etc.)
- Submit an estimated budget (daily rates, capacity, food, laundry, etc.)
- Submit a copy of the NTP License, and:
  - Copy of provisional certification from Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
  - Proof of federal registration by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)
    - Proof of federally required accreditation from an approved accrediting body
- Submit a copy of the NTP Program Drug Medi-Cal Certification.
- Procure and maintain the insurance requirements detailed in Exhibit B "Insurance Requirements for Professional Services."
- Demonstrate the ability to provide NTP Treatment services in accordance with this Scope of Work and the Youth Treatment Guidelines, including, but not limited to:
  - Ability to comply with NTP/OTP Title 9, Division 4, Chapter 4, Subchapter 1. 6. of the California Code of Regulations, and;



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- DEA requirements, Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Chapter 2, which includes programs to become accredited by an approved accrediting body
- Ability to comply with Minimum Quality Drug Treatment Standards (MQDTS)
- o Ability to comply with Youth Treatment Guidelines
- Ability to establish and maintain a computer system with:
  - Windows 10 OS (32 bit or 64 bit);
  - Antivirus solution (i.e. Sophos, Norton, McAfee);
  - Firewall (Windows Firewall on);
  - WiFi capability when connecting via wireless Contractor must not use free WiFi spots that do not require a password but rather use their own wireless connection with WPA2 (WiFi Protected Access 2) protocol to establish a secure connection;
  - Parallels Client (to connect to EHR) which is a free software that is provided to the contractor
  - The above computer system will insure Contractor can access the County's Electronic Health Record (EHR) and State Databases for the submission of information required under the terms and conditions of this Agreement, including but not limited to the submission of:
    - Drug Medi-Cal claims;
    - CalOMS (California Outcomes Measurements System) treatment admission, annual updates, and discharge data, including client demographic data;
    - ASAM (American Society of Addiction Medicine) Level of Care data;
    - Initial contact data for each Medi-Cal beneficiary; and
    - DATAR (Drug Alcohol Treatment Access Report) waiting list record.
- Ability to offer culturally competent services including: interpreter services and adequately trained staff.

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### SCOPE OF WORK

Contractor agrees to provide substance use disorder services to eligible beneficiaries of Stanislaus County within the scope of services defined in this contract.

Exhibit A	Scope of Work			
Exhibit B	Insurance			
Exhibit C	Modality of Covered Service Descriptions			
Exhibit D	Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Requirements			
Exhibit E	Substance Abuse Block Grant (SABG) Requirements			

Exhibits included in this Agreement are listed below:

These exhibits contain provisions that require strict adherence to various contracting laws and policies. Some provisions herein are conditional and only apply if specified conditions exist.

As a subcontractor under the Agreement(s) between the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and County as the Mental Health Plan (MHP), Contractor shall perform the delegated activities and reporting responsibilities specified in compliance with County's agreement obligations, as applicable. Contractor shall also be required to comply with the requirements stated within the Agreement(s), as it pertains to subcontractors, by this reference incorporated herein. A copy of the Agreement(s) shall be made available to Contractor. Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable Medicaid laws, regulations, including applicable sub-regulatory guidance and contract provisions. If Contractor is found to be non-compliant or inadequate in the provision of services under this agreement, County may terminate the Agreement in alignment with Section 4, Term of the Agreement, or specify other remedies as necessary.

A. PROGRAM SPECIFIC SERVICES

Contractor shall provide American Society of Addiction Medicine ASAM level(s):

- 1. 1.0 Opioid Treatment Program (OTP)
  - a. That includes accepting youth with Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT)/ State Opioid Treatment Authority (SOTA) approval on case by case basis AND when approved, providing Medication Assisted Treatment Services for youth.

# B. GENERAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Contractor shall provide Drug Medi-Cal substance use disorder treatment services at State certified locations to eligible beneficiaries of Stanislaus County, as identified in this Agreement, including all exhibits.
- 2. Contractor shall provide services as described in Exhibit C, Stanislaus County, Behavioral Health & Recovery DMC-ODS Modality of Covered Service

Descriptions and comply with Exhibit D, DHCS DMC-ODS Requirements and Exhibit E, SABG Requirements, attached hereto and incorporated by this reference.

- 3. Contractor shall comply with Drug Medi-Cal and County policies and procedures and Document Guidelines.
- 4. Contractor shall comply with the Stanislaus County Substance Use Disorder Provider Guidelines, by this reference incorporated herein, made available by County on the BHRS Extranet -> SUD->Provider Guidelines. No formal amendment of this agreement is required for changes to the Provider Guidelines to apply.
- 5. Contractor shall participate in SUD Program Monitoring annually, at minimum, including, but not limited to, the following:
  - a. Minimum Quality Drug Treatment Standards (MQDTS) Monitoring tools made available by the County on the Stanislaus County website -> County Services -> BHRS -> Quick Links -> Contract Services -> MQDTS Monitoring.
  - SUD Program Monitoring Instrument is made available by the Stanislaus County website located at <u>www.StanCounty.com</u> -> County Services -> BHRS -> Contract Services -> Quick Links -> FY 2019/2020 SUD Monitoring Tools.
  - c. Onsite Review
  - d. Any deficiencies or areas for improvement identified by County shall be corrected by Contractor via corrective action plans.
- 6. Contractor shall comply with BHRS DMC-ODS Practice Guidelines posted on the BHRS Extranet -> SUD -> DMC-ODS Practice Guidelines.
- 7. Contractor shall establish and maintain, at Contractor's cost, the following computer system:
  - a. Windows 10 OS (32 bit or 64 bit);
  - b. Antivirus solution (i.e. Sophos, Norton, McAfee);
  - c. Firewall (Windows Firewall on);
  - d. WiFi capability when connecting via wireless Contractor must not use free
  - e. WiFi spots that do not require a password but rather use their own wireless connection with WPA2 (WiFi Protected Access 2) protocol to establish a secure connection;
  - f. Parallels Client (to connect to EHR) which is a free software that is provided to the contractor
  - g. The above computer system will insure Contractor can access the County's Electronic Health Record (EHR) and State Databases for the submission of

- h. information required under the terms and conditions of this Agreement, including but not limited to the submission of:
  - Drug Medi-Cal claims;

• CalOMS (California Outcomes Measurements System) treatment admission, annual updates, and discharge data, including client demographic data;

- ASAM (American Society of Addiction Medicine) Level of Care data;
- Initial contact data for each Medi-Cal beneficiary; and
- DATAR (Drug Alcohol Treatment Access Report) waiting list record.
- 8. Contractor shall complete all required data entry in accordance with DMC-ODS Intergovernmental Agreement, County policies and procedures, and BHRS DMCODS Documentation Guidelines posted on the BHRS Extranet.
- 9. Contractor shall provide agreed upon number of comprehensive SUD assessment slots. Following completion of comprehensive SUD assessment, contractor will assist client in scheduling first service at the appropriate level of care based on ASAM indication and medical necessity.
- 10. Contractor shall actively participate in the following meetings, committees or collaborations: BHRS Behavioral Health Equity Committee (BHEC), SUD Quality Improvement Council (QIC), SUD Peer Review, SUD Providers meeting (Program coordinators and managers only), and any other meetings, committees or collaborations found appropriate between Contractor and Contract monitor.

# C. BILLING AND PAYMENT

- 1. In consideration of Contractor's provision of services under the terms of this Agreement, the total maximum amount payable for all salaries, benefits and other operating costs shall not exceed **\$TBD** during the term of this Agreement. County shall reimburse Contractor.
- 2. County shall reimburse Contractor for any undisputed invoices, which County and Contractor agree represent the costs of delivering the services required under the terms of this Agreement for the period covered by the invoice, within 30 days of invoice receipt. Contractor agrees that the monthly invoices represent an estimate of the actual program costs and not a final settlement for the costs of delivering the services under the terms of this Agreement. Contractor shall manage the program operations and program costs to insure the provision of services for the full term of this Agreement.
- 3. Monthly invoices shall be equal to the monthly program costs for delivering the services required under the terms of this Agreement. Contractor shall provide a monthly expenditure report to accompany the invoice in support of the program costs.
- 4. Contractor shall submit invoices electronically to <u>abhrs@stanbhrs.org</u> or by mail to the following address:

Stanislaus County Behavioral Health & Recovery Services (BHRS) 800 Scenic Drive, Building 4 Modesto, CA 95350 Attention: Accounts Payable

Contractor is expected to generate a total minimum amount of **\$TBD** in MediCal Federal Financial Participation (FFP) during the term of this Agreement. The Net Cost to BHRS for the provision of services under the terms of this Agreement shall be **\$TBD**, which is calculated by subtracting the FFP of **\$TBD** from the maximum amount of **\$TBD**.

- 6. FFP revenue projections are based on year to date actual approved and authorized Medi-Cal units of service. Denied, disallowed, and unauthorized units shall be considered as non-contributory towards Contractor's generation of FFP. Contractor shall be liable for any increase in the stated "Net Cost to BHRS" as a result of any denied, disallowed and unauthorized units. Actual and projected FFP revenue shall be monitored regularly by County and Contractor during the term of this Agreement. In the event the FFP revenue projected through the term of this Agreement does not meet the budgeted amount necessary to support the program expenditures, Contractor shall submit a plan to increase the FFP revenue or reduce the operating costs of delivering the services required in this Agreement. Contractor shall be at risk for shortfalls in FFP revenue and is therefore accountable for submitting/entering services that are eligible for reimbursement into the County Electronic Health Record (EHR).
- 7. Contractor shall submit a fiscal year-end cost report to County, upon request from County, generally in November following the close of a fiscal year. County shall process a preliminary settlement to the Contractor's actual costs of delivering the services and estimated Medi-Cal units of service produced during the term of this Agreement in approximately January. County and Contractor shall agree that the approved units of services from the County Electronic Health Record and the actual program costs are the actual services and costs used for purposes of this contract and final cost report settlement. After completing its preliminary settlement, County shall notify Contractor if funds are due to the Contractor. If funds are due to County, County shall invoice Contractor and Contractor shall return the overpayment to County. During the multiple phases of the cost report reconciliation and settlement process, FFP revenue loss on any denied, disallowed and unauthorized units resulting in the Contractor exceeding the Net County Cost specified herein in Section D of Exhibit A, as well as any units denied, disallowed and unauthorized as a result of state or federal audits shall be billed to the Contractor. Settlement is limited to the Contract Maximum and is also limited to the Net County Cost after applying the FFP revenue.

#### D. CULTURAL COMPETENCY

1. Contractor shall ensure that cultural competency is integrated into the provision of services. The terms of this section of the Agreement shall be reviewed during contract monitoring meetings.

- 2. County will provide the Cultural Competence Plan Requirement (CCPR) and its updates to Contractor when submitted to the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS).
- 3. Contractor shall adhere to the provisions of the County CCPR, as submitted and updated, and provide information as required for submitting and updating the CCPR.
- 4. Contractor shall document evidence that interpreter services are offered and provided for threshold languages at all points of contact. Contractor shall also document the response to the offer of interpreter services.
- 5. Contractor shall have a representative participate in the County Behavioral Health Equity Committee (BHEC).
- 6. Contractor shall document its certified bilingual staff, including their title and languages and shall have the documentation readily available. Protocols on how to request interpreters shall be in place and documentation shall be provided.
- 7. Contractor shall have knowledge of the County's Cultural Competence Program. Contractor shall either adopt the County's Cultural Competence Program or if they maintain their own program, they shall provide evidence that their program aligns with the County's program and expectations. Evidence shall be provided at annual reviews or at on-going monitoring activities.
- 8. Cultural Competence training opportunities will be shared by the County. If Contractor develops their own trainings or attends offsite trainings, approval from the County's Training Department shall be documented to ensure that the training meets cultural competence guidelines.
- 9. Contractor is responsible for tracking all contracted staff's cultural competence trainings and documentation shall be readily available during monitoring visits and at on-going monitoring activities. Documentation should include evidence of monitoring and oversight, including but not limited to attendance tracking, records, sign in sheets, protocols, and action steps for staff that has not met cultural competence requirements as delineated in the County's Cultural Competence Program.
- E. TERM

These services shall commence on TBD and continue through TBD.

F. DUPLICATE COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same agreement.

# EXHIBIT B

# **Insurance Requirements for Professional Services**

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 the Contractor, its agents, representatives, or employees.

# MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- 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 \$1,000,000 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.
- Automobile Liability: If the Contractor or the Contractor's officers, employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors utilize a motor vehicle in performing any of the work or services under the Agreement 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 appropriates to the Contractor's profession, with limits not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence or claim, \$2,000,000 aggregate.

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

# Application of Excess Liability Coverage

Contractors may use a combination of primary, and excess insurance policies which provide coverage as broad as ("follow form" over) the underlying primary policies, to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions.

# Other Insurance Provisions

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

# Additional Insured Status

The County, its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL and the Auto policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability and Auto Liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance (**at least** as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or **both** CG 20 10, CG 20 26, CG 20 33, or CG 20 38; <u>and</u> CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used).

# Primary Coverage

For any claims related to this contract, the **Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary** insurance primary coverage **at least** as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County, its officers, officials, employees, agents or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

**Reporting:** Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the County or its officers, officials, employee's, agents or volunteers.

# Notice of Cancellation

Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage not be cancelled, except with notice to the County in accordance with policy terms and conditions. If policy does not allow for notice, notification of cancellation shall be the responsibility of the contractor.

# Waiver of Subrogation

Contractor hereby grants to County a waiver of any right to subrogation (except for Professional Liability) which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the 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 the County has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

# Self-Insured Retentions

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, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.

# Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with California admitted insurers (licensed to do business in California) with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A-VII or a Standard & Poor's rating of at least BBB, however, if no California admitted insurance company provides the required insurance, it is acceptable to provide the required insurance through a United States domiciled carrier that meets the required Best's rating and that is listed on the current List of Approved Surplus Line Insurers (LASLI) maintained by the California Department of Insurance.

# **Claims Made Policies**

If any of the required policies provide coverage on a claims-made basis:

1. The Retroactive Date must be shown and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.

2. Insurance must be maintained, and evidence of insurance must be provided for **at least** five (5) years after completion of the contract of work.

3. If 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, the Contractor must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of contract work.

# Verification of Coverage

Contractor shall furnish the County with a copy of original certificates and amendatory endorsements, or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause. **All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the County before work commences.** However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The 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.

# 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.

# 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.

# Insurance Limits

The limits of insurance described herein shall not limit the liability of the Contractor and Contractor's officers, employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors. Contractor's obligation to defend, indemnify and hold the County, its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers harmless under the provisions of this paragraph is not limited to or restricted by any requirement in the Agreement for Contractor to procure and maintain a policy of insurance.

[SIGNATURES SET FORTH ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE]

\_\_\_\_\_ Exempt from Auto – By initialing, I certify Contractor's officers, employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors will not utilize a vehicle in the performance of their work with the County.

Exempt from WC – By initialing, I certify Contractors is exempt from providing workers' compensation coverage as required under section 1861 and 3700 of the California Labor Code.

I acknowledge the insurance requirements listed above.

Print Name:	Date:
Signature:	Date:
Contractor Name:	

For CEO-Risk Management Division use only

N/A Exception:	/		
Approved by CEO for Risk Management:	Kandt	Date: _	3/17/2023

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# **EXHIBIT C MODALITY OF COVERED SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS**

### Stanislaus County, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System Modality of Covered Service Descriptions

Covered services under the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) shall be furnished in an amount, duration, and scope that is no less than the amount, duration, and scope for the same services furnished to beneficiaries under fee-for-service Medicaid, as set forth in 42 CPR 440.230. Contractors shall ensure that the services are sufficient in amount, duration, or scope to reasonably be expected to achieve the purpose for which the services are furnished. Contractors may not arbitrarily deny or reduce the amount duration, or scope of a required service solely because of diagnosis, type of illness, or condition of the beneficiary (IA III.C, Covered Services).

Contractors are required to ensure services are provided timely. For outpatient, intensive outpatient and residential services, the Contractor shall ensure a face-to-face appointment within 10 business days of the initial service request. For OTPs, the Contractor shall ensure a face-to-face appointment within 3 business days of the initial service request. Beneficiaries screened as having an urgent (non-emergency) SUD need will be referred for a face-to-face appointment with within two business days.

Placement in an appropriate level of care must be determined through an assessment based on the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) criteria and determined by the contractor's Licensed Practitioner of the Healing Arts (LPHA).

# DRUG MEDI-CAL SERVICES:

# OUTPATIENT SERVICES (ASAM LEVEL 1.0)

Outpatient treatment services (also known as Outpatient Drug Free or ODF) are provided to beneficiaries when medically necessary consist of up to nine (9) hours per week of medically necessary services for adults and six (6) hours per week of services for adolescents. Services may exceed the maximum based on individual medical necessity. Outpatient Treatment Service may be provided in person, by telehealth, or by telephone. Clinicians are required to either offer medication for addiction treatment (MAT, also known as medication-assisted treatment) directly, or have effective referral mechanisms in place to the most clinically appropriate MAT service. Outpatient treatment services include the following service components:

- Assessment
- Care Coordination
- Counseling (individual and group)
- Family Therapy
- Medication Services
- MAT for Opioid Use Disorder (OUD)
- MAT for Alcohol Use Disorder (AUD) and non-opioid SUDs
- Patient Education
- Recovery Services
- SUD Crisis Intervention Services

# INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT SERVICES (ASAM LEVEL 2.1)

Outpatient treatment services are provided to beneficiaries when medically necessary consisting of up to nine (9) hours per week for adults and six (6) hours per week for adolescents. Services may exceed the maximum based on individual medical necessity. Outpatient Treatment Services may be provided in person, by telehealth, or by telephone. Clinicians are required to either offer

medication for addiction treatment (MAT, also known as medication-assisted treatment) directly, or have effective referral mechanisms in place to the most clinically appropriate MAT service. Outpatient treatment services include the following service components:

- Assessment
- Care Coordination
- Counseling (individual and group)
- Family Therapy
- Medication Services
- MAT for Opioid Use Disorder (OUD)
- MAT for Alcohol Use Disorder (AUD) and non-opioid SUDs
- Patient Education
- Recovery Services
- SUD Crisis Intervention Services

# PERINATAL/NON-PERINATAL RESIDENTIAL SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT SERVICES (EXCLUDING ROOM AND BOARD) (ASAM LEVELS 3.1, 3.3 and 3.5)

Residential Treatment Services are provided by DMC-certified providers who must be licensed and enrolled in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations. This includes residential facilities licensed by California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), residential facilities licensed by the Department of Social Services.

All clinicians delivering Residential Treatment under DMC-ODS must also be designated as capable of delivering care consistent with ASAM Criteria. Clinicians must also have a DHCS Level of Care (LOC) Designation and/or an ASAM LOC Certification that indicates that the program is capable of delivering care consistent with the ASAM Criteria.

In order to participate in the DMC-ODS program, Clinician providers licensed by a state agency other than DHCS must be DMC-certified. In addition, facilities licensed by a state agency other than DHCS must have an ASAM LOC Certification for each level of care provided by the facility under the DMC-ODS program by January 1, 2024. DMC-ODS counties will be responsible for ensuring and verifying that DMC-ODS clinicians s delivering ASAM Levels of care obtain an ASAM LOC Certification for each level of care provided effective January 1, 2024.

Residential Treatment services can be provided in facilities of any size. The statewide goal for the average length of stay for residential treatment services provide by Clinicians is 30 days. The goal for a statewide average length of stay for residential services of 30 days is not a quantitative treatment limitation or hard "cap" on individual stays; lengths of stay in residential treatment settings shall be determined by individualized clinical need. However, Clinicians shall ensure that beneficiaries receiving residential treatment are transitions to another level of care when clinically appropriate based on treatment progress. DMC-ODS Clinicians shall adhere to the length of stay monitoring requirements set forth by DHCS and length of say performance measures established by DHCS and reported by external quality review organization.

DMC-ODS Clinicians shall implement coverage and ensure access for residential SUD treatment services as follows:

- At least one ASAM level of care upon implementation
- ASAM level 3.5 available with two years of DMC-ODS implementation
- ASAM Levels 3.1-3.5 available within three years of DMC-ODS implementation

Residential Treatment Services Include the following services:

- Assessment
- Care Coordination
- Counseling (individual and group)
- Family Therapy
- Medication Services
- MAT for Opioid Use Disorder (OUD)
- MAT for Alcohol Use Disorder (AUD) and non-opioid SUDs
- Patient Education
- Recovery Services
- SUD Crisis Intervention Services

# NARCOTIC TREATMENT PROGRAMS

NTP, also described in the ASAM criteria as an OTP, is an outpatient program that provides Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved medications and biological products to treat SUDs when ordered by a physician as medically necessary.

NTPs are required to administer, dispense, or prescribe medications to patients covered under the DMC-ODS formulary including methadone, buprenorphine (transmucosal and long-acting injectable), naltrexone (oral and long-acting injectable), disulfiram, and naloxone. If the NTP is unable to directly administer or dispense medically necessary medications covered under the DMC-ODS formulary, the NTP must prescribe the medication for dispensing at a pharmacy or refer the beneficiary to a provider capable of dispensing the medication.

The NTP shall offer the beneficiary a minimum of fifty (50) minutes of counseling services per calendar month. NTPs shall comply with all federal and state NTP licensing requirements. If the NTP cannot comply with all federal and state NTP requirements, then the NTP must assist the beneficiary in choosing another MAT provider, ensure continuity of care, and facilitate a warm hand-off to ensure engagement. NTP services are provided in DHCS-licensed NTP facilities pursuant to the California Code of Regulations, Title 9, Chapter 4, Division 4, and title 42 of the CFR. Counseling services provided in the NTP modality can be provided in person, by telehealth, or by telephone.

However, the medical evaluation for methadone treatment which consists of a medical history, laboratory tests, and a physical exam) must be conducted in-person. NTP Services include the following service components:

- Assessment
- Care Coordination
- Counseling (individual and group)
- Family Therapy
- Medical Psychotherapy
- Medication Services
- MAT for OUD
- MAT for AUD and other non-opioid SUDs
- Patient Education
- Recovery Services
- SUD Crisis Intervention Services

# WITHDRAWAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Withdrawal Management Services are provided to beneficiaries experiencing withdrawal in the following outpatient and residential settings:

- Level 1-WM: Ambulatory withdrawal management without extended on-site monitoring (Mild withdrawal with daily or less than daily outpatient supervision)
- Level 2-WM: Ambulatory withdrawal management with extended on-site monitoring (Moderate withdrawal with daytime withdrawal management and support and supervision in a non-residential setting)
- Level 3.2-WM: Clinically managed residential withdrawal management (24-hour support for moderate withdrawal symptoms that are not manageable in outpatient setting)

Withdrawal Management Services include the following service components:

- Assessment
- Care Coordination
- Medication Services
- MAT for OUD
- MAT for AUD and other non-opioid SUDs
- Observation
- Recovery Services

Withdrawal Management Services may be provided in an outpatient, residential or inpatient setting. If beneficiary is receiving Withdrawal Management in a residential setting, each beneficiary shall reside at the facility. All beneficiaries receiving Withdrawal Management services, regardless in which type of setting, shall be monitored during the detoxification process. Providers are required to either offer MAT directly or have effective referral mechanisms to the most clinically appropriate MAT services in place (defined as facilitating access to MAT off-site for beneficiaries while they are receiving withdrawal management services if not provided on-site. Providing a beneficiary, the contact information for a treatment program is insufficient).

Withdrawal management services are urgent and provided on a short-term basis. When provided as part of withdrawal management services, service activities, such as the assessment, focus on the stabilization and management of psychological and physiological symptoms associated with withdrawal, engagement in care and effective transitions to a level of care where comprehensive treatment services are provided. A full ASAM Criteria assessment shall not be required as a condition of admission to a facility providing Withdrawal Management. To facilitate an appropriate care transition, a full ASAM assessment, brief screening, or other tool to support referral to additional services is appropriate. If it has not already been completed in relation to the Withdrawal Management episode, the full ASAM Criteria assessment shall be completed within 30 days of the beneficiary's first visit with an LPHA or registered/certified counselor for non-Withdrawal Management services (or 60 days for beneficiaries under 21, or beneficiaries experiencing homelessness), as described above.

# MEDICATIONS FOR ADDICTION TREAMENT (also known as MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT OR MAT)

MAT includes all FDA-approved medications and biological products to treat AUD, OUD, and any SUD. MAT may be provided in clinical or non-clinical settings and can be delivered as a standalone service or as a service delivered as part of a level of care listed in this "Covered DMC-ODS Services" section. MAT may be provided with the following service components:

- Assessment
- Care Coordination
- Counseling (individual and group)
- Family Therapy
- Medication Services
- Patient Education
- Recovery Services
- SUD Crisis Intervention Services
- Withdrawal Management Services

# **RECOVERY SERVICES**

Recovery Services are designed to support recovery and prevent relapse with the objective of restoring the beneficiary to their best possible functional level. Recovery Services emphasize the beneficiary's central role in managing their health, effective self-management support strategies, and organize internal and community resources to provide ongoing self-management support to beneficiaries.

Beneficiaries may receive Recovery Services based on self-assessment or provider assessment of relapse risk. Beneficiaries do not need to be diagnosed as being in remission to access Recovery Services. Beneficiaries may receive Recovery Services while receiving MAT services, including NTP services. Beneficiaries may receive Recovery Services immediately after incarceration with a prior diagnosis of SUD. Services may be provided in person, be telehealth, or by telephone. Recovery Services can be delivered and claimed as a standalone service, concurrently with the other levels of care.

Recovery Services include the following service components:

- Assessment
- Care Coordination
- Counseling (individual and group)
- Family Therapy
- Medication Services
- MAT for Opioid Use Disorder (OUD)
- MAT for Alcohol Use Disorder (AUD) and non-opioid SUDs
- Patient Education
- Recovery Services
- SUD Crisis Intervention Services

# **CARE COORDATION**

Care coordination previously referred to as "case management" shall be provided to a client in conjunction with all levels of treatment. It may also be delivered and claimed as standalone service. DMC-ODS Clinicians, through executed memorandum of understanding, shall implement care coordination services with other SUD, physical, and/or mental health services in order to ensure a client-centered and whole-person approach to wellness.

Care coordination consists of activities to provide coordination of SUD care, mental health care, and medical care, and to support the beneficiary with linkages to services and supports designed to restore the beneficiary to their best possible functional level. Care coordination can be provided in clinical or non-clinical setting (including the community) and can be provided face-to-face, by telehealth, or by telephone. Care coordination includes one or more of the following components:

• Coordinating with medical and mental health care providers to monitor and support comorbid health conditions.

- Discharge planning, including coordinating with UD treatment providers to support transition between levels of care and to recovery resources, referrals to mental health providers, and referrals to primary or specialty medical providers.
- Coordinating with ancillary services. Including individualized connection, referral, and linkages to community-based services and supports including but not limited to educational, social, prevocational, vocational, housing, nutritional, criminal justice, transportation, childcare, child development, family/marriage education, cultural sources, and mutual aid support groups.

#### **CLINICIAN CONSULTATION**

Clinical Consultation replaces and expands the previously referred to "physician consultation". Clinical Consultation consists of DMC-ODS LPHAs, consulting with LPHAs, such as addiction medicine physicians, addiction psychiatrists, licensed clinicians, or clinical pharmacists, to support the provision of care.

Clinical Consultation is not a direct service provided to DMC-ODS beneficiaries. Rather, Clinician Consultation is designed to support DMC-ODS licensed clinicians with complex cases and may address medication selection, dosing, side effect management, adherence, drug-drug interactions, or level of care considerations. It includes consultations between clinicians designed to assist DMCS clinicians with seeking expert advice on treatment needs for specific DMC-ODS beneficiaries. DMC-ODS Counties may contract with one or more physicians, clinicians, or pharmacists specialized in addiction in order to provide consultation services. These consultations can occur in person, by telehealth, and by telephone.

#### NON-DMC FUNDED SERVICES:

Room and Board for residential treatment and withdrawal management services is not eligible for reimbursement through DMC. These costs will be covered with other non-DMC funding sources.

Recovery residences will be available by or before April 1, 2021, to DMC and non-DMC eligible beneficiaries who are actively engaged in outpatient SUD treatment or recovery services. The costs of these support services will be covered with other non-DMC funding sources.

#### FOR THE UNINSURED/UNDER-INSURED (I.E. MEDICARE):

Uninsured/under-insured eligible beneficiaries will have access to the same services as DMC beneficiaries with costs reimbursed through other sources.

# EXHIBIT D DHCS DRUG MEDI-CAL ORGANIZED DELIVERY SYSTEM (DMC-ODS)

1. County has elected to opt into the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) to provide covered DMC-ODS services described under this Agreement to eligible Medi-Cal individuals that reside within borders of Stanislaus County. County and Contractor shall comply with all State and federal statutes and regulations, the terms of this Agreement, BHINs, and any other applicable authorities. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and a State or federal statute or regulation, or a BHIN, Contractor shall adhere to the applicable statue, regulation, or BHIN. All subcontracts shall fulfill the requirements or activity delegated under the subcontract in accordance with 42 CFR §438.230.

# 2. All contracts or written arrangements between County and Contractor shall specify the following:

- 2.1 The delegated activities or obligations, and related reporting responsibilities, are specified in the contract or written agreement.
- 2.2 Contractor agrees to perform the delegated activities and reporting responsibilities specified in compliance with the County's Agreement obligations.
- 2.3 The contract or written arrangement shall either provide for revocation of the delegation of activities or obligations, or specify other remedies in instances where the Department or the County determine that Contractor has not performed satisfactorily.
- 2.4 Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable Medicaid laws, regulations, including applicable sub-regulatory guidance and contract provisions.

# 3. Contractor agrees:

- 3.1 DHCS, CMS, the Health and Human Services (HHS) Inspector General, the Comptroller General, or their designees have the right to audit, evaluate, and inspect any books, records, contracts, computer or other electronic systems of the Contractor that pertain to any aspect of services and activities performed, or determination of amounts payable under this Agreement at any time.
- 3.2 The Contractor will make available, for purposes of an audit, evaluation, or inspection, its premises, physical facilities, equipment, books, records, contracts, computer or other electronic systems relating to its Medicaid beneficiaries.
- 3.3 DHCS, CMS, the HHS Inspector General, the Comptroller General, or their designees' right to audit the subcontractor will exist through ten years from the final date of the contract period or from the date of completion of any audit, whichever is later.
- 3.4 If DHCS, CMS, or the HHS Inspector General determines that there is a reasonable possibility of fraud or similar risk, the Department, CMS, or the HHS Inspector General may inspect, evaluate, and audit the subcontractor at any time.

# 4. **Provider Selection and Monitoring**

- 4.1 Credentialing and re-credentialing requirements.
  - 4.1.1 Contractor shall follow the state's established uniform credentialing and re-credentialing policy that addresses behavioral and substance use disorders, outlined in DHCS Information Notice 18-019.
  - 4.1.2 Contractor shall follow a documented process for credentialing and recredentialing of network providers.

- 4.1.3 Attestation: All providers who deliver covered services must include a signed and dated statement attesting to the following:
  - 4.1.3.1 Any limitations or inabilities that affect the provider's ability to perform any of the position's essential functions, with or without accommodation;
  - 4.1.3.2 A history of loss of license or felony conviction;
  - 4.1.3.3 A history of loss or limitation of privileges or disciplinary activity;
  - 4.1.3.4 A lack of present illegal drug use; and
  - 4.1.3.5 Accuracy and completeness
- 4.2 Contractor shall receive training on the DMC-ODS requirements, at least annually. County shall report compliance with this section to DHCS annually as part of the DHCS County Monitoring process.
- 4.3 Contractor shall be trained in the ASAM Criteria prior to providing services. At minimum, providers and staff conducting assessments are required to complete the two e-Training modules entitled "ASAM Multidimensional Assessment" and "From Assessment to Service Planning and Level of Care". A third module entitled, "Introduction to The ASAM Criteria" is recommended for all county and provider staff participating in the Waiver. With assistance from the state, counties will facilitate ASAM provider trainings.
- 4.4 Residential services shall be provided in DHCS or Department of Social Services (DSS) licensed residential facilities that also have DMC certification and have been designated by DHCS as capable of delivering care consistent with ASAM treatment criteria.
- 4.5 Contractor shall implement mechanisms to detect both underutilization of services and overutilization of services.
- 4.6 County shall monitor appropriate and timely intervention of occurrences that raise quality of care concerns. Contractor shall take appropriate follow-up action when such an occurrence is identified. The results of the intervention shall be evaluated by County at least annually.
- 4.7 County shall conduct performance-monitoring activities throughout Contractor's operations. These activities shall include, but not be limited to, beneficiary and system outcomes, utilization management, utilization review, provider appeals, credentialing and monitoring, resolution of beneficiary grievances and an on-site review at least annually.
- 4.8 If County identifies deficiencies or areas for improvement, Contractor shall take corrective actions and implement these corrective actions.

# 5. Scope of Practice

5.1 Professional staff shall be licensed, registered, certified, or recognized under California scope of practice statutes. Professional staff shall provide services within their individual scope of practice and receive supervision required under their scope of practice laws. Licensed Practitioners of the Healing Arts (LPHA) include:

- 5.1.1 Physician
- 5.1.2 Nurse Practitioners
- 5.1.3 Physician Assistants
- 5.1.4 Registered Nurses
- 5.1.5 Registered Pharmacists
- 5.1.6 Licensed Clinical Psychologists
- 5.1.7 Licensed Clinical Social Worker
- 5.1.8 Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor
- 5.1.9 Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists
- 5.1.10 Licensed Eligible Practitioners working under the supervision of Licensed Clinicians
- 5.2 Any counselor or registrant providing intake, assessment of need for services, treatment or recovery planning, individual or group counseling to participants, patients, or residents in a DHCS licensed or certified program is required to comply with the requirements in Cal. Code Regs., tit. 9, div. 4, chapter 8. (Document 3H)
- 5.3 Non-professional staff shall receive appropriate onsite orientation and training prior to performing assigned duties. A professional and/or administrative staff shall supervise non-professional staff.
- 5.4 Physicians shall receive a minimum of five hours of continuing medical education related to addiction medicine each year.
- 5.5 Professional staff (LPHAs) shall receive a minimum of five hours of continuing education related to addiction medicine each year.
- 5.6 SUD Medical Director responsibilities shall, at a minimum, include all of the following:
  - 5.6.1 Ensure that medical care provided by physicians, registered nurse practitioners, and physician assistants meets the applicable standard of care.
  - 5.6.2 Ensure that physicians do not delegate their duties to non-physician personnel.
  - 5.6.3 Develop and implement written medical policies and standards for the provider.
  - 5.6.4 Ensure that physicians, registered nurse practitioners, and physician assistants follow the provider's medical policies and standards.
  - 5.6.5 Ensure that the medical decisions made by physicians are not influenced by fiscal considerations.
  - 5.6.6 Ensure that provider's physicians and LPHAs are adequately trained to perform diagnosis of substance use disorders for beneficiaries and determine the medical necessity of treatment for beneficiaries.
  - 5.6.7 Ensure that provider's physicians are adequately trained to perform other physician duties, as outlined in this section.
  - 5.6.8 Develop and implement written medical policies and standards for the provider.
  - 5.6.9 Written Provider code of conduct for employees and volunteers/interns shall be established which addresses at least the following:

5.6.9.1 Use of drugs and/or alcohol

- 5.6.9.2 Prohibition of social/business relationship with beneficiaries or their family members for personal gain
- 5.6.9.3 Prohibition of sexual contact with beneficiaries
- 5.6.9.4 Conflict of interest
- 5.6.9.5 Providing services beyond scope
- 5.6.9.6 Discrimination against beneficiaries or staff
- 5.6.9.7 Verbally, physically, or sexually harassing, threatening or abusing beneficiaries, family members or other staff
- 5.6.9.8 Protection of beneficiary confidentiality
- 5.6.9.9 Cooperate with complaint investigations
- 5.6.10 Written roles and responsibilities and a code of conduct for the Medical Director shall be clearly documented, signed and dated by a provider representative and the physician.
- 5.6.11 The SUD Medical Director may delegate his/her responsibilities to a physician consistent with the provider's medical policies and standards; however, the SUD Medical Director shall remain responsible for ensuring all delegated duties are properly performed.

#### 6. Covered Services

- 6.1 DMC-ODS services shall be available to all beneficiaries that reside in the ODS County and enrolled in the DMC-ODS Plan.
- 6.2 Contractor shall not bill beneficiaries for covered services under a contractual, referral or other arrangement with County in excess of the amount that would be owed by the individual if County had directly provided the services (42 U.S.C. 1396u–2(b)(6)(C)).

# 7. Culturally Competent Services and Cultural and Linguistic Proficiency

- 7.1 Contractor is responsible to provide culturally competent services. Contractor shall ensure that their policies, procedures, and practices are consistent with the principles outlined and are embedded in the organizational structure, as well as being upheld in day-to-day operations. Translation services shall be available for beneficiaries, as needed.
- 7.2 To ensure equal access to quality care by diverse populations, each service provider receiving funds from this Agreement shall adopt the federal Office of Minority Health Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Service (CLAS) national standards (Document 3V) and comply with 42 CFR 438.206(c)(2).

#### 8. Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)

8.1 DMC-ODS providers, at all levels of care, shall demonstrate that they either directly offer or have an effective referral mechanism to the most clinically appropriate MAT services for beneficiaries with SUD diagnoses that are treatable with medications or biological products (defined as facilitating access to MAT off-site for beneficiaries if not provided on-site. Providing a beneficiary the contact information for a treatment program is insufficient). An appropriate facilitated referral to any Medi-Cal provider rendering MAT to the beneficiary is compliant whether or not that provider seeks reimbursement through DMC-ODS. County shall monitor the referral process or provision of MAT services.

8.2 Contractor shall have procedures for linkage/integration for beneficiaries requiring medication assisted treatment. Contractor staff will regularly communicate with physicians of beneficiaries who are prescribed these medications unless the beneficiary refuses to consent to sign a 42 CFR part 2 compliant release of information for this purpose.

# 9. DMC Claims and Reports

Contractors that provide DMC services shall be responsible for verifying the Medi-Cal eligibility of each beneficiary for each month of service prior to billing for DMC services to that beneficiary for that month. Medi-Cal eligibility verification should be performed prior to rendering service, in accordance with and as described in the DHCS DMC Provider Billing Manual. Options for verifying the eligibility of a Medi-Cal beneficiary are described in the Department of Health Care Services DMC Provider Billing Manual.

#### **10.** Inspection and Audit of Records and Access to Facilities

The DHCS, CMS, the Office of the Inspector General, the Comptroller General, and their designees may, at any time, inspect and audit any records or documents of the Contractor, and may, at any time, inspect the premises, physical facilities, and equipment where Medicaid-related activities are conducted. The right to audit under this section exists for 10 years from the final date of the Agreement period or from the date of completion of any audit, whichever is later.

#### 11. Recordkeeping Requirements

The contractor shall retain, as applicable, the following information: beneficiary grievance and appeal records in 42 CFR 438.416, and the data, information, and documentation specified in 42 CFR 438.604, 438.606, 438.608, and 438.610 for a period of no less than 10 years.

#### 12. Coverage and Authorization of Services (42 CFR 438.210)

Contractor shall have in place, and follow, written authorization policies and procedures.

#### 13. Language and Format Requirements

- 13.1 Pursuant to WIC 14029.91(e)(1), the Contractor shall make interpretation services available free of charge and in a timely manner to each beneficiary. This includes oral interpretation and the use of auxiliary aids (e.g. TTY/TDY and American Sign Language) and services, including qualified interpreters for individuals with disabilities (WIC 14029.91(e)(2)). Oral interpretation requirements apply to all non–English languages, not just those that the Department identifies as prevalent
- 13.2 For consistency in the information provided to beneficiaries, the Contractor shall use the DHCS developed model beneficiary handbooks and beneficiary notices.
- 13.3 Beneficiary information may not be provided electronically by Contractor unless all of the following are met:
  - 13.3.1 The format is readily accessible;
  - 13.3.2 The information is placed in a location on the DHCS or Contractor's website that is prominent and readily accessible.

# 14. Beneficiary Rights and Protections - Grievance and Appeals

- 14.1 Contractor shall maintain records of grievances and appeals and shall review the information as part of its ongoing monitoring procedures, as well as for updates and revisions to the DHCS quality strategy.
- 14.2 The record of each grievance or appeal shall contain, at a minimum, all of the following information:
  - 14.2.1 A general description of the reason for the appeal or grievance.
  - 14.2.2 The date received.
  - 14.2.3 The date of each review or, if applicable, review meeting.
  - 14.2.4 Resolution at each level of the appeal or grievance, if applicable.
  - 14.2.5 Date of resolution at each level, if applicable.
  - 14.2.6 Name of the covered person for whom the appeal or grievance was filed.
  - 14.2.7 The record shall be accurately maintained in a manner accessible to DHCS and available upon request to CMS.
- 14.3 Contractor shall retain, as applicable, the following information: beneficiary grievance and appeal records in 42 CFR §438.416, and the data, information, and documentation specified in 42 CFR §§438.604, 438.606, 438.608, and 438.610 for a period of no less than ten years.

# **15. Program Integrity – Compliance**

- 15.1 Contractor, to the extent that subcontractors are delegated responsibility by County for coverage of services and payment of claims under this Agreement, shall implement and maintain arrangements or procedures that are designed to detect and prevent fraud, waste, and abuse.
  - 15.1.1 If Contractor makes or receives annual payments under this Agreement of at least \$5,000,000, provision for written policies for all employees of the entity, and of any subcontractor or agent, that provide detailed information about the False Claims Act and other Federal and state laws described in section 1902(a)(68) of the Act, including information about rights of employees to be protected as whistleblowers.
  - 15.1.2 Contractor and all its subcontractors shall provide reports to the Department within 60 calendar days when it has identified payments in excess of amounts specified in this Agreement.
- 15.2 The arrangements or procedures shall include a compliance program that includes, at a minimum, all of the following elements:
  - 15.2.1 Written policies, procedures, and standards of conduct that articulate the organization's commitment to comply with all applicable requirements and standards under the contract, and all applicable Federal and state requirements.
  - 15.2.2 The designation of a Compliance Officer who is responsible for developing and implementing policies, procedures, and practices designed to ensure compliance with the requirements of this Agreement and who reports directly to the County Behavioral Health Director and the Board of Supervisors.

- 15.2.3 The establishment of a Regulatory Compliance Committee on the Board of Supervisors and at the senior management level charged with overseeing the organization's compliance program and its compliance with the requirements under this Agreement.
- 15.2.4 A system for training and education for the Compliance Officer, the organization's senior management, and the organization's employees for the Federal and state standards and requirements under this Agreement.
- 15.2.5 Effective lines of communication between the compliance officer and the organization's employees.
- 15.2.6 Enforcement of standards through well-publicized disciplinary guidelines.
- 15.2.7 Establishment and implementation of procedures and a system with dedicated staff for routine internal monitoring and auditing of compliance risks, prompt response to compliance issues as they are raised, investigation of potential compliance problems as identified in the course of self-evaluation and audits, correction of such problems promptly and thoroughly (or coordination of suspected criminal acts with law enforcement agencies) to reduce the potential for recurrence, and ongoing compliance with the requirements under this Agreement.
- 15.2.8 Provision for the prompt referral of any potential fraud, waste, or abuse that Contractor identifies.

# 16. CalOMS-Tx Business Rules and Requirements

- 16.1 Electronic submission of CalOMS-Tx data shall be submitted by Contractor within 45 days from the end of the last day of the report month.
- 16.2 Contractor shall comply with data collection and reporting requirements established by the DHCS CalOMS-Tx Data Collection Guide (Document 3J) and all former Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs Bulletins and DHCS Information Notices relevant to CalOMS-Tx data collection and reporting requirements.
- 16.3 Contractor shall submit CalOMS-Tx admission, discharge, annual update, resubmissions of records containing errors or in need of correction, and "provider no activity" report records in an electronic format approved by DHCS.
- 16.4 Contractor shall comply with the CalOMS-Tx Data Compliance Standards established by DHCS for reporting data content, data quality, data completeness, reporting frequency, reporting deadlines, and reporting method.

# 17. Evidence Based Practices

Contractor shall implement at least two of the following Evidence Based Practices (EBP) based on the timeline established in County's implementation plan. The two EBPs are per provider, per service modality. County will monitor the implementation and regular training of EBPs to staff during reviews. The required EBPs include:

- 17.1 Motivational Interviewing: A beneficiary-centered, empathic, but directive counseling strategy designed to explore and reduce a person's ambivalence toward treatment. This approach frequently includes other problem solving or solution-focused strategies that build on beneficiaries' past successes.
- 17.2 Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy: Based on the theory that most emotional and behavioral reactions are learned and that new ways of reacting and behaving can be learned.

- 17.3 Relapse Prevention: A behavioral self-control program that teaches individuals with substance addiction how to anticipate and cope with the potential for relapse. Relapse prevention can be used as a stand-alone substance use treatment program or as an aftercare program to sustain gains achieved during initial substance use treatment.
- 17.4 Trauma-Informed Treatment: Services shall take into account an understanding of trauma, and place priority on trauma survivors' safety, choice and control.
- 17.5 Psycho-Education: Psycho-educational groups are designed to educate beneficiaries about substance abuse, and related behaviors and consequences. Psycho-educational groups provide information designed to have a direct application to beneficiaries' lives, to instill self- awareness, suggest options for growth and change, identify community resources that can assist beneficiaries in recovery, develop an understanding of the process of recovery, and prompt people using substances to take action on their own behalf.

# 18. Parity in Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Benefits (42 CFR §438.900 et seq.)

To ensure compliance with the parity requirements set forth in 42 CFR §438.900 et seq., the Contractor shall not impose, any financial requirements, Quantitative Treatment Limitations, or Non-Quantitative Treatment Limitations in any classification of benefit (inpatient, outpatient, emergency care, or prescription drugs) other than those limitations permitted and outlined in this Agreement.

#### 19. Nullification of DMC-ODS Services

- 19.1 The parties agree that failure of the Contractor to comply with W&I Code section 14124.24, 14184.100 et seq., BHIN 21-075, this Agreement, and any other applicable statutes, regulations or guidance issued by DHCS, shall be deemed a breach that results in the termination of this Agreement for cause.
- 19.2 In the event of a breach, DMC-ODS services shall terminate. Contractor shall immediately begin providing DMC services to the beneficiaries in accordance with the State Plan.

#### 20. Limitation on Use of Funds for Promotion of Legalization of Controlled Substances

None of the funds made available through this Agreement may be used for any activity that promotes the legalization of any drug or other substance included in Schedule I of Section 202 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 USC 812).

# 21. Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000

Contractor shall comply with section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)) as amended by section 1702. For full text of the award term, go to: <u>http://uscode.house.gov/view.xhtml?req=granuleid:USC-prelim-title22-section7104d&num=0&edition=prelim</u>.

#### 22. State Law Requirements

No state or Federal funds shall be used by the Contractor for sectarian worship, instruction, and/or proselytization. No state funds shall be used by the Contractor to provide direct, immediate, or substantial support to any religious activity.

### 23. Subcontracts

- 23.1 Each subcontract shall:
  - 23.1.1 Fulfill the requirements of 42 CFR Part 438 that are appropriate to the service or activity delegated under the subcontract.
  - 23.1.2 Ensure that County evaluates the prospective subcontractor's ability to perform the activities to be delegated.
  - 23.1.3 Require a written agreement between the County and Contractor that specifies the activities and report responsibilities delegated to the Contractor and provides for revoking delegation or imposing other sanctions if the Contractor's performance is inadequate.
  - 23.1.4 Ensure County monitors the Contractor's performance on an ongoing basis and subject it to an annual onsite review, consistent with statutes, regulations, and Article III.WW of this Agreement.
  - 23.1.5 Ensure County identifies deficiencies or areas for improvement, the Contractor shall take corrective actions and County shall ensure that the Contractor implements these corrective actions.

# 24. Training

- 24.1 Training to DMC Subcontractors:
  - 24.1.1 Contractor shall receive training on the DMC-ODS requirements, at least annually. County shall report compliance with this section to DHCS annually as part of the DHCS County Monitoring process.
  - 24.1.2 County shall require Contractors to be trained in the ASAM Criteria prior to providing services.
    - 24.1.2.1 At minimum, providers and staff conducting assessments are required to complete the two e-Training modules entitled "ASAM Multidimensional Assessment" and "From Assessment to Service Planning and Level of Care". A third module entitled, "Introduction to The ASAM Criteria" is recommended for all county and provider staff participating in the Waiver. With assistance from the state, counties will facilitate ASAM provider trainings.
    - 24.1.2.2 All residential service providers shall meet the established ASAM criteria for each level of residential care they provide, receive either a DHCS Level of Care Designation or an ASAM Level of Care Certification for every Level of Care that they offer prior to providing DMC-ODS services, and adhere to all applicable requirements in BHIN 21-0001 and its accompanying exhibits.
    - 24.1.2.3 All personnel who provide WM services or who monitor or supervise the provision of such service shall meet additional training requirements set forth in BHIN 21-001 and its accompanying exhibits.

#### 25. Quality Improvement (QI) Program

County shall oversee Contractor's compliance through on-site monitoring reviews and monitoring report submissions to DHCS. Contractor shall comply with compliance monitoring reviews conducted by DHCS and/or County and are responsible to develop and implement CAPs as needed.

#### 26. Hatch Act

Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (Title 5 USC, sections 1501-1508), which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with federal funds.

#### 27. No Unlawful Use or Unlawful Use Messages Regarding Drugs

Contractor agrees that information produced through these funds, and which pertains to drug and alcohol related programs, shall contain a clearly written statement that there shall be no unlawful use of drugs or alcohol associated with the program. Additionally, no aspect of a drug or alcohol related program shall include any message on the responsible use, if the use is unlawful, of drugs or alcohol (H&S Code section 11999-11999.3). By signing this Agreement, Contractor agrees that it shall enforce, and shall require its subcontractors to enforce, these requirements.

#### 28. Noncompliance with Reporting Requirements

Contractor agrees that DHCS has the right to withhold payments until Contractor has submitted any required data and reports to DHCS, as identified in this Exhibit A, Attachment I or as identified in Document 1F(a), Reporting Requirement Matrix for Counties.

# 29. Limitation on Use of Funds for Promotion of Legalization of Controlled Substances

None of the funds made available through this Agreement may be used for any activity that promotes the legalization of any drug or other substance included in Schedule I of Section 202 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 USC 812).

#### 30. Youth Treatment Guidelines

Contractor shall follow the "Youth Treatment Guidelines," in developing and implementing adolescent treatment programs funded under this Exhibit, until such time new Youth Treatment Guidelines are established and adopted. No formal amendment of this Agreement is required for new guidelines to be incorporated into this Agreement.

# 31. Nondiscrimination in Employment and Services

By signing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that under the laws of the United States and the State of California, incorporated into this Agreement by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full, Contractor shall not unlawfully discriminate against any person.

### 32. Federal Law Requirements:

- 32.1 Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, section 2000d, as amended, prohibiting discrimination based on race, color, or national origin in federally funded programs.
- 32.2 Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (regarding education and programs and activities), if applicable.
- 32.3 Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 USC 3601 et seq.) prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin in the sale or rental of housing.
- 32.4 Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (45 CFR Part 90), as amended (42 USC sections 6101 6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age.
- 32.5 Age Discrimination in Employment Act (29 CFR Part 1625).
- 32.6 Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act (29 CFR Part 1630) prohibiting discrimination against the disabled in employment.
- 32.7 Americans with Disabilities Act (28 CFR Part 35) prohibiting discrimination against the disabled by public entities.
- 32.8 Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (28 CFR Part 36) regarding access.
- 32.9 Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 USC section 794), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of individuals with disabilities.
- 32.10 Executive Order 11246 (42 USC 2000(e) et seq. and 41 CFR Part 60) regarding nondiscrimination in employment under federal contracts and construction contracts greater than \$10,000 funded by federal financial assistance.
- 32.11 Executive Order 13166 (67 FR 41455) to improve access to federal services for those with limited English proficiency.
- 32.12 The Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972, as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse.
- 32.13 The Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism.

# 33. State Law Requirements:

- 33.1 Fair Employment and Housing Act (Gov. Code section 12900 et seq.) and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, Div. 4 § 7285.0 et seq.).
- 33.2 Title 2, Division 3, Article 9.5 of the Gov. Code, commencing with Section 11135.
- 33.3 Cal. Code Regs., tit. 9, div. 4, chapter 8, commencing with § 10800.
- 33.4 No state or Federal funds shall be used by the Contractor, or its subcontractors, for sectarian worship, instruction, and/or proselytization. No state funds shall be used by the Contractor, or its subcontractors, to provide direct, immediate, or substantial support to any religious activity.
- 33.5 Noncompliance with the requirements of nondiscrimination in services shall constitute grounds for state to withhold payments under this Agreement or terminate all, or any type, of funding provided hereunder.

# 34. Investigations and Confidentiality of Administrative Actions

34.1 Contractor acknowledges that if a DMC provider is under investigation by DHCS or any other state, local or federal law enforcement agency for fraud or abuse, DHCS may temporarily suspend the provider from the DMC program, pursuant to W&I Code section 14043.36(a). Information about a provider's administrative sanction status is confidential until such time as the action is either completed or

resolved. DHCS may also issue a payment suspension to a provider pursuant to W&I Code section 14107.11 and Code of Federal Regulations, Title 42, section 455.23. The Contractor is to withhold payments from a DMC provider during the time a payment suspension is in effect.

34.2 Contractor shall execute the Confidentiality Agreement, attached as Document 5A. The Confidentiality Agreement permits DHCS to communicate with Contractor concerning subcontracted providers that are subject to administrative sanctions.

# EXHIBIT E SUBSTANCE ABUSE BLOCK GRANT (SABG) REQUIREMENTS

### 1. Hatch Act

Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (Title 5 USC, Sections 1501-1508), which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with federal funds.

### 2. No Unlawful Use or Unlawful Use Messages Regarding Drugs

Contractor agrees that information produced through these funds, and which pertains to drugs and alcohol-related programs, shall contain a clearly written statement that there shall be no unlawful use of drugs or alcohol associated with the program. Additionally, no aspect of a drug or alcohol-related program shall include any message on the responsible use, if the use is unlawful, of drugs or alcohol (HSC Section 11999-11999.3). By signing this Agreement, Contractor agrees to these requirements.

#### 3. Counselor Certification

Any counselor or registrant providing intake, assessment of need for services, treatment or recovery planning, individual or group counseling to participants, patients, or residents in a DHCS licensed or certified program is required to be registered or certified as defined in CCR, Title 9, Division 4, Chapter 8.

#### 4. Debarment and Suspension Certification

Contractor shall not subcontract with or employ any party listed on the government wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMG guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part Comp. p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM exclusions contain the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.

Contractor is obligated to comply with applicable federal debarment and suspension regulations, in addition to the requirements set forth in 42 CFR Part 1001. If Contractor subcontracts or employs an excluded party, DHCS has the right to withhold payments, disallow costs, or issue a CAP, as appropriate, pursuant to HSC Code 11817.8(h).

# 5. Restriction on Distribution of Sterile Needles

No SABG funds made available through this Agreement shall be used to carry out any program that includes the distribution of sterile needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of any illegal drug unless DHCS chooses to implement a demonstration syringe services program for injecting drug uses.

#### 6. Cultural and Linguistic Proficiency

To ensure equal access to quality care by diverse populations, each service provider receiving funds from this Agreement shall adopt the Federal Office of Minority Health Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Service (CLAS) national standards as outlined at: <a href="https://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/omh/browse.aspx?lvl=2&lvlid=53">https://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/omh/browse.aspx?lvl=2&lvlid=53</a>

#### 7. Tribal Communities and Organizations

Contractor shall regularly review population information available through Census, compare to information obtained in the California Outcome Measurement System for Treatment (CalOMS-Tx) to determine whether the population is being reached, and survey

Tribal representatives for insight in potential barriers to the substance use service needs of the American Indian/Alaskan Native (AI/AN) population within the County geographic area. Contractor shall also engage in regular and meaningful consultation and collaboration with elected officials of the tribe, Rancheria, or their designee for the purpose of identifying issues/barriers to service delivery and improvement of the quality, effectiveness, and accessibility of services available to AI/NA communities within the County.

# 8. Confidentiality of Substance Use Disorder Patient Records

Performance under the terms of this Agreement is subject to all applicable federal and state laws, regulations, and standards. In accepting DHCS drug and alcohol SABG allocation pursuant to HSC Sections 11814(a) and (b), Contractor shall: (i) establish, and required its subcontractors to establish, written policies and procedures consistent with the control requirements set forth below; (ii) monitor for compliance with the written procedures; and (iii) be accountable for audit exceptions taken by DHCS against the County and its subcontractors for any failure to comply with these requirements:

- a. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 42, Part 2, Confidentiality of Substance Use Disorder Patient Records
- b. Federal Law Requirements; Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records (42 CFR Part 2, Subparts A-E).

#### 9. Employee Training

All workforce members who assist in the performance of functions or activities on behalf of the Department, or access or disclose Department PHI or PI must complete information privacy and security training, at least annually, at Contractor's expense. Each workforce member who receives information privacy and security training must sign a certification, indicating the member's name and the date on which the training was completed. These certifications must be retained for a period of six (6) years following termination of this Agreement.

# **10.** Confidentiality Statement

All persons that will be working with Department PHI or PI must sign a confidentiality statement that includes, at a minimum, General Use, Security and Privacy Safeguards, Unacceptable Use, and Enforcement Policies. The statement must be signed by the workforce member prior to access to Department PHI or PI. The statement must be renewed annually. The Contractor shall retain each person's written confidentiality statement for Department inspection for a period of six (6) years following termination of this Agreement.