AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, is entered into as of ______, between the COUNTY OF TULARE, referred to as COUNTY, and STRATHMORE UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT, referred to as CONTRACTOR, with reference to the following:

- A. The purpose of this agreement is to establish a means of claiming Title XIX Federal Financial Participation (FFP) for administrative cost necessary for the proper and efficient administration of the Medi-Cal program as set forth in Welfare and Institutions Code section 14132.47;
- B. This Agreement is to assist the State of California, hereinafter referred to as State, and COUNTY in the proper and efficient administration of the Medi-Cal Program. Assistance in providing Medi-Cal administration by CONTRACTOR has been determined to be an effective method of assuring the availability and accessibility of Medi-Cal services to Medi-Cal eligible individuals served by CONTRACTOR;
- C. COUNTY recognizes the unique relationship that CONTRACTOR has with Medi-Cal eligible individuals. It further recognizes the expertise of CONTRACTOR in identifying and assessing the health care needs of Medi-Cal eligible individuals it serves;
- D. CONTRACTOR is willing to enter into this Agreement with COUNTY upon the terms and conditions set forth herein:

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS AGREED:

- 1. TERM: This Agreement shall become effective as of July 1, 2008 and shall expire on June 30, 2010 unless otherwise terminated as provided in this Agreement.
- 2. PARTIES RATIFICATION OF PERFORMED SERVICE & PAYMENT TO DATE OF SIGNING: The parties each ratify that all performance and payments rendered by the other party under this Agreement, from the date of commencement to the time of signing of the Agreement, have been rendered consistently with the terms herein.
- 3. SERVICES: CONTRACTOR shall provide services as set forth in the attached Exhibit "A", which Exhibit is made a part of this Agreement by reference.

4. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS:

A. Independent of any other right to terminate set forth in the Agreement, because this Agreement is entered into with the anticipation that certain state or federal funds will be available to carry out this Agreement that which funds are in addition to COUNTY'S own funds, if such outside funding, for any reason, is no longer available, the COUNTY may terminate this Agreement by giving written notice of immediate termination, or otherwise specifying the effective date of termination.

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- B. CONTRACTOR will be compensated for services provided until June 30, 2008. Contractor will be permitted to invoice for services provided prior to June 30, 2008 until June 30, 2010. Services provided after June 30, 2008 will not be compensated.
- 5. FISCAL PROVISIONS: For services rendered, CONTRACTOR shall be paid according to the fee schedule set forth in Exhibit "B", which Exhibit is made a part of this Agreement by reference.
- 6. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW: CONTRACTOR shall provide services in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and local laws, regulations and directives. With respect to CONTRACTOR'S employees, CONTRACTOR shall comply with all laws and regulations pertaining to wages and hours, state and federal income tax, unemployment insurance, Social Security, disability insurance, workers' compensation insurance, and discrimination in employment.
- 7. RECORDS AND AUDIT: CONTRACTOR shall maintain complete and accurate records with respect to the services rendered and the costs incurred under this Agreement. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall maintain complete and accurate records with respect to any payments to employees or subcontractors. All such records shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting procedures, shall be clearly identified, and shall be kept readily accessible. Upon request, CONTRACTOR shall make such records available within Tulare County to the Auditor of Tulare County and to his agents and representatives, for the purpose of auditing and/or copying such records for a period of five (5) years from the date of final payment under this Agreement.
- 8. INSURANCE: Prior to approval of this Agreement by COUNTY, CONTRACTOR shall file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors evidence of the required insurance as set forth in Exhibit "C" attached.

9. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS:

- A. This Agreement is entered into by both parties with the express understanding that CONTRACTOR will perform all services required under this Agreement as an independent contractor. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to constitute the CONTRACTOR or any of its agents, employees or officers as an agent, employee or officer of COUNTY.
- B. CONTRACTOR agrees to advise everyone it assigns or hires to perform any duty under this agreement that they are not employees of COUNTY. Subject to any performance criteria contained in this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for determining the means and methods of performing the specified services and COUNTY shall have no right to control or exercise any supervision over CONTRACTOR as to how the services will be performed. As CONTRACTOR is not COUNTY'S employee, CONTRACTOR is responsible for paying all required state and federal taxes. In particular, COUNTY will not:
 - i. Withhold FICA (Social Security) from CONTRACTOR'S payments.
 - ii. Make state or federal unemployment insurance contributions on CONTRACTOR'S behalf.
 - iii. Withhold state or federal income tax from payments to CONTRACTOR.

- iv. Make disability insurance contributions on behalf of CONTRACTOR.
- v. Obtain unemployment compensation insurance on behalf of CONTRACTOR.
- C. Notwithstanding this independent contractor relationship, COUNTY shall have the right to monitor and evaluate the performance of CONTRACTOR to assure compliance with this Agreement.
- 10. INDEMNIFICATION: COUNTY and CONTRACTOR shall hold each other harmless, defend and indemnify their respective agents, officers and employees from and against any liability, claims, actions, costs, damages or losses of any kind, including death or injury to any person and/or damage to property, arising out of the activities of COUNTY or CONTRACTOR or their agents, officers and employees under this Agreement. This indemnification shall be provided by each party to the other party regarding its own activities undertaken pursuant to this Agreement, or as a result of the relationship thereby created, including any claims that may be made against either party by any taxing authority asserting that an employer-employee relationship exists by reason of this Agreement, or any claims made against either party alleging civil rights violations by such party under Government Code section 12920 et seq. (California Fair Employment and Housing Act). This indemnification obligation shall continue beyond the term of this Agreement as to any acts or omissions occurring under this Agreement or any extension of this Agreement.

11. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

- A. CONTRACTOR agrees at all times in performance of this Agreement to comply with the law of the State of California regarding conflicts of interests or appearance of conflicts of interests, including, but not limited to Government Code Section 1090 et seq., and the Political Reform Act, Government Code Section 81000 et seq. and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto by the California Fair Political Practices Commission. The statutes, regulations and laws previously referenced include, but are not limited to, prohibitions against any public officer or employee, including CONTRACTOR for this purpose, from the making of any decision on behalf of COUNTY in which such officer, employee or CONTRACTOR has a direct or indirect financial interest. A violation can occur if the public officer, employee or CONTRACTOR participates in or influences any COUNTY decision which has the potential to confer any pecuniary benefit on CONTRACTOR or any business firm in which CONTRACTOR has an interest, with certain narrow exceptions.
- B. CONTRACTOR agrees that if any facts come to its attention which raise any questions as to the applicability of conflicts of interest's laws, it will immediately inform the COUNTY designated representative and provide all information needed for resolution of this question.

12. TERMINATION:

A. Without Cause: County will have the right to terminate this Agreement without cause by giving thirty (30) days prior written notice of intention to terminate pursuant to this provision, specifying the date of termination. County will pay to the CONTRACTOR the compensation earned for work performed and not previously paid for to the date of termination. County will not pay lost anticipated profits or other economic loss. The payment of such compensation is subject to the restrictions on payment of compensation otherwise provided in

this Agreement, and is conditioned upon receipt from CONTRACTOR of any and all plans, specifications and estimates, and other documents prepared by CONTRACTOR in accordance with this Agreement. No sanctions will be imposed.

- B. <u>With Cause</u>: This Agreement may be terminated by either party should the other party:
 - i. be adjudged a bankrupt, or
 - ii. become insolvent or have a receiver appointed, or
 - iii. make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or
 - iv. suffer any judgment which remains unsatisfied for 30 days, and which would substantively impair the ability of the judgment debtor to perform under this Agreement, or
 - v. materially breach this Agreement.

For any of the occurrences except item (5), termination may be effected upon written notice by the terminating party specifying the date of the termination. Upon a material breach, the Agreement may be terminated following the failure of the defaulting party to remedy the breach to the satisfaction of the non-defaulting party within FIVE (5) days of written notice specifying the breach. If the breach is not remedied within that FIVE (5) day period, the nondefaulting party may terminate the agreement on further written notice specifying the date of termination. If the nature of the breach is such that it cannot be cured within a 5 day period, the defaulting party may, submit a written proposal within that period which sets forth a specific means to resolve the default. If the non-defaulting party consents to that proposal in writing, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, the defaulting party shall immediately embark on its plan to cure. If the default is not cured within the time agreed, the non-defaulting party may terminate upon written notice specifying the date of termination. County will pay to the CONTRACTOR the compensation earned for work performed and not previously paid for to the date of termination. County will not pay lost anticipated profits or other economic loss, nor will the County pay compensation or make reimbursement to cure a breach arising out of or resulting from such termination. If the expense of finishing the CONTRACTOR'S scope of work exceeds the unpaid balance of the agreement, the CONTRACTOR must pay the difference to the County. The payment of such compensation is subject to the restrictions on payment of compensation otherwise provided in this Agreement, and is conditioned upon receipt from CONTRACTOR of any and all plans, specifications and estimates, and other documents prepared by CONTRACTOR by the date of termination in accordance with this Agreement. Sanctions taken will be possible rejection of future proposals based on specific causes of non performance.

- C. <u>Effects of Termination</u>: Expiration or termination of this Agreement shall not terminate any obligations to indemnify, to maintain and make available any records pertaining to the Agreement, to cooperate with any audit, to be subject to offset, or to make any reports of pretermination contract activities. Where CONTRACTOR'S services have been terminated by the County, said termination will not affect any rights of the County to recover damages against the CONTRACTOR.
- 13. ENTIRE AGREEMENT REPRESENTED: This Agreement represents the entire agreement between CONTRACTOR and COUNTY as to its subject matter and no prior oral or written understanding shall be of any force or effect. No part of this Agreement may be modified without the written consent of both parties.

14. HEADINGS: Section headings are provided for organizational purposes only and do not in any manner affect the scope, meaning or intent of the provisions under the headings.

15. NOTICES:

A. Except as may be otherwise required by law, any notice to be given shall be written and shall be either personally delivered, sent by facsimile transmission or sent by first class mail, postage prepaid and addressed as follows:

COUNTY:

CONTRACT UNIT
TULARE COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY
5957 S. Mooney Boulevard
Visalia, CA 93277
Phone No.: 559-737-4660

CONTRACTOR:

Fax No.: 559-737-4692____

STRATHMORE UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT 23024 AVE 198
PO BOX 247
STRATHMORE, CA 93267
Phone No.: (559) 568-2118
Fax No.:

- B. Notice personally delivered is effective when delivered. Notice sent by facsimile transmission is deemed received upon successful transmission. Notice sent by first class mail shall be deemed received on the fifth day after the date of mailing. Either party may change the above address by giving written notice pursuant to this paragraph.
- **16. CONSTRUCTION:** This Agreement reflects the contributions of both parties and accordingly the provisions of Civil Code section 1654 shall not apply to address and interpret any uncertainty.
- 17. NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES INTENDED: Unless specifically set forth, the parties to this Agreement do not intend to provide any other party with any benefit or enforceable legal or equitable right or remedy.
- 18. GOVERNING LAW: This Agreement shall be interpreted and governed under the laws of the State of California without reference to California conflicts of law principles. The parties agree that this contract is made in and shall be performed in Tulare County California.

- 19. WAIVERS: The failure of either party to insist on strict compliance with any provision of this Agreement shall not be considered a waiver of any right to do so, whether for that breach or any subsequent breach. The acceptance by either party of either performance or payment shall not be considered to be a waiver of any preceding breach of the Agreement by the other party.
- 20. EXHIBITS AND RECITALS: The Recitals and the Exhibits to this Agreement are fully incorporated into and are integral parts of this Agreement.
- 21. CONFLICT WITH LAWS OR REGULATIONS/SEVERABILITY: This Agreement is subject to all applicable laws and regulations. If any provision of this Agreement is found by any court or other legal authority, or is agreed by the parties, to be in conflict with any code or regulation governing its subject, the conflicting provision shall be considered null and void. If the effect of nullifying any conflicting provision is such that a material benefit of the Agreement to either party is lost, the Agreement may be terminated at the option of the affected party. In all other cases the remainder of the Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.
- 22. FURTHER ASSURANCES: Each party will execute any additional documents and perform any further acts, which may be reasonably required to effect the purposes of this Agreement.
- 23. ASSURANCES OF NON-DISCRIMINATION: CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate in employment or in the provision of services on the basis of any characteristic or condition upon which discrimination is prohibited by state or federal law or regulation.
- 24. ASSIGNMENT/SUBCONTRACTING: Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, COUNTY is relying on the personal skill, expertise, training and experience of CONTRACTOR and CONTRACTOR'S employees and no part of this Agreement may be assigned or subcontracted by CONTRACTOR without the prior written consent of COUNTY.
- 25. DISPUTE RESOLUTION: If a dispute arises out of or relating to this Agreement, or the breach thereof, and if said dispute cannot be settled through negotiation, the parties agree first to try in good faith to settle the dispute by non-binding mediation before resorting to litigation or some other dispute resolution procedure, unless the parties mutually agree otherwise. The mediator shall be mutually selected by the parties, but in case of disagreement, the mediator shall be selected by lot from among two nominations provided by each party. All costs and fees required by the mediator shall be split equally by the parties, otherwise each party shall bear its own costs of mediation. If mediation fails to resolve the dispute within 30 days, either party may pursue litigation to resolve the dispute.
- 26. SOFTWARE WARRANTY: CONTRACTOR warrants that any software furnished hereunder, or any software used by it to perform the services to be provided under this Agreement, will continue processing accurately for the term of this Agreement and any extension thereof and that the use of said software will not cause incorrect scheduling or reporting or other improper operations or results.

27. NON-DISCRIMINATION IN STATE AND FEDERALLY ASSISTED PROGRAMS:

A. By signing this Agreement CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended; section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 as amended; the Food Stamp Act of 1977 as amended; and the non-discrimination compliance regulations contained in 7 CFR 272.6; Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; The Unruh Act, California Civil Code section 51 et seq., as amended; California Government Code sections 11135-11139.5 as amended; California Government Code section 12940 (c), (h), (i), (j) and (1); California Government Code section 4450; Title 22, California Code of Regulations sections 98000-98413; the Dymally-Altorre Bilingual Services Act (California Government Code sections 7290-7299.8); section 1808 of the Removal of Barriers to Interethnic Adoption Act of 1996; and other applicable federal and state laws, as well as their implementing regulations [including 45 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 80, 84 and 91, 7 CFR Part 15, and 29 CFR Part 42], by ensuring that employment practices and the administration of public assistance and social services programs are nondiscriminatory, to the effect that no person shall because of ethnic group identification, age, sex, color, disability, medical condition, national origin, race, ancestry, marital status, religion, religious creed or political belief be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subject to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal or state financial assistance; and will immediately take any measures necessary to effectuate this Agreement.

B. This assurance is given in consideration of and for the purpose of obtaining any and all federal and state assistance; and the CONTRACTOR hereby gives assurance that administrative methods/procedures, which have the effect of subjecting individuals to discrimination, will be prohibited.

C. CONTRACTOR agrees to compile data, maintain records and submit reports as required, to permit effective enforcement of the aforementioned laws, rules and regulations and permit authorized county, state and federal government personnel, during normal working hours, to review such books and accounts as needed to ascertain compliance. If there are any violations of this assurance, the state shall have the right to invoke fiscal sanctions or other legal remedies in accordance with Welfare and Institutions Code section 10605, or Government Code sections 11135-11139.5, or any other laws, or the issue may be referred to the appropriate federal agency for further compliance action and enforcement of this assurance. This assurance is binding on the CONTRACTOR directly or through contract, license, or other provider services, as long as it receives federal or state assistance.

28. HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (HIPAA):

- A. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Business Associate exhibit, attached as Exhibit "D", which Exhibit is made a part of this Agreement by reference.
- B. At termination of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall, if feasible, return or destroy all protected health information received from, or created or received by, CONTRACTOR on behalf of the COUNTY that CONTRACTOR still maintains in any form, and retain no copies of such information; or, if such return or destruction is not feasible, extend the protections of this Agreement to the information and limit further uses and disclosures to those purposes that make the return or destruction of the information feasible.

C. COUNTY may immediately terminate this Agreement if COUNTY determines that CONTRACTOR has violated a material term of this Agreement.

29. LIMITATION OF STATE/COUNTY LIABILITY

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the State and COUNTY shall be held harmless, in accordance with paragraphs A and B below, from any federal audit disallowance and interest resulting from payments made to the CONTRACTOR pursuant to W&I Code Section 14132.47, and this Agreement.

A. To the extent that a federal audit disallowance and interest results form a claim or claims for which the CONTRACTOR has received FFP revenue reimbursement for performance of MAA activities, the COUNTY shall recoup from the CONTRACTOR, within 30 days, through offsets or by direct billing, amounts equal to the amount of the disallowance, plus any interest charged by the State and/or federal governments. All subsequent CONTRACTOR claims submitted by the COUNTY applicable to any previously disallowed Medi-Cal administrative activity or claim, my be held in abeyance, with no payment made, until the federal disallowance issue is resolved.

B. To the extent that a federal audit disallowance and interest results from a claim or claims for which the CONTRACTOR has received FFP revenue reimbursement for MAA performed by a non-governmental entity under Agreement with, and on behalf of, the CONTRACTOR, the State and COUNTY shall be held harmless by CONTRACTOR for 100 percent of the amount of any such final federal audit disallowance and interest.

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THE PARTIES, having read and considered the above provisions, indicate their agreement by their authorized signatures below.

COUNTY OF TULARE

Date:	BY
	Chairman, Board of Supervisors
	"County"
ATTEST: JEAN ROUSSEAU County Administrative Officer/Clerk of the of Supervisors of the County of Tulare	ne Board
By	
	STRATHMORE UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Date: $9/8/08$	TITLE Dist. Supt.
Date: 9/8/08	By TITLE Board President
Approved as to Form County Counsel	Approved as to Form School Team
By Deputy	By Ifwold W. Wood, L. Deputy
Date 7-08-08	Date 7 - 8 - • 8
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Exhibit "A" **SERVICES**

STRATHMORE UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

MUTUAL OBJECTIVES

Both parties to the Agreement agree:

- 1. To ensure that potentially eligible Medi-Cal individuals and families served by the CONTRACTOR are informed of the Medi-Cal Program, how to access benefits and services, and are assisted with access, where appropriate.
- 2. To ensure that assistance is provided to Medi-Cal eligible individuals and their families where appropriate, facilitating their receipt of services and activities in the Medi-Cal Program.
- 3. That this Agreement is governed by 42 United States Code (USC), Section 1396 et seq., 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 400 et seq., and 45 CFR Part 95, California W&I Code, Division 9, Part 3, Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 14000) and Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 14200), and Title 22 California Code of Regulations (CCR), Division 3 (commencing with Section 50000), all as periodically amended; and by federal Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-87, as periodically amended.

CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Perform Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA) on behalf of the State and County to assist in the proper and efficient administration of the Medi-Cal program by improving the availability and accessibility of Medi-Cal services to Medi-Cal eligible and potentially eligible individuals and their families (where appropriate) served by the CONTRACTOR.
- 2. Coordinate MAA activities with COUNTY and community to maximize effectiveness and avoid duplication.
- 3. Assess MAA claiming potential within the district and determine which staff will participate in the time survey and what direct charges, if applicable, will be claimed.
- 4. Provide the COUNTY with the Claiming Units Function Grid, in support of the invoice for each quarter claimed, as required by State.
- 5. Using the State Department of Health Services approved time survey form, conduct time surveys as required and designated by the State. The survey will identify all time spent on each of the allowable MAA activities and non-claimable activities, as well as General Administration and Paid Time Off, which are proportionately allocated to all activities.

- 6. Ensure all participating CONTRACTOR staff claiming reimbursement through Title XIX Medi-Cal administrative claiming are appropriately trained and kept informed of applicable MAA information and requirements for claiming.
- 7. Account for any claimed costs resulting from direct charges or the development of transportation rates.
- 8. Ensure that all MAA claiming is conducted in accordance with applicable COUNTY and STATE and federal regulations, policies and procedures.
- 9. Determine appropriate methodologies to compute the percentage of Medi-Cal receipts in the district, on a quarterly basis.
- 10. Compute transportation rates, if applicable, based on actual prior year(s) cost and transport data.
- 11. Ensure that payments for allowable Medi-Cal Administrative Activities do not duplicate payments that are paid as part of Targeted Case Management Services (TCM), an outpatient clinic rate, a capitation rate, or through some other State or federal program.
- 12. Provide the COUNTY with complete invoice and expenditure information to include in its summary MAA claim no later than twelve (12) months after the end of the quarter for which the claim is being submitted. This information shall be provided in a standardized Detailed Invoice as provided by the State via the COUNTY and as identified in COUNTY Responsibilities Item 6.
 - The Detailed Invoice identifies the claim categories to which expenditure data must adhere for insertion into the CMS 64 (State claim for FFP) and shall be submitted by CONTRACTOR to claim MAA costs pursuant to this Agreement. All elements of the Detailed Invoice for the programs being claimed shall correspond to the description of staff and allowable activities outlined in the CONTRACTOR Claim Unit Functions Grid.
- 13. Provide the COUNTY with adequate documentation to ensure that allowable local share revenues support MAA costs, as outlined in 42 CFR 433.51. Documentation may include, but is not limited to: 1) Identification of revenue source, 2) documentation of revenue purpose, 3) relationship of revenue purpose to MAA activities. The COUNTY will not submit any claim related to this Agreement if it determines that the documentation of local share, source or purpose, cannot be adequately supported for purposes of FFP. Documentation will be made available for each quarterly invoice submitted through COUNTY to State for payment.
- 14. Develop procedures for establishing and maintaining files that are consistent with procedures outlined by STATE and COUNTY, and ensure that audit files are kept current.
- 15. Retain all necessary records and documents for a minimum of five (5) years after the end of the quarter in which the expenditures were incurred for MAA and, if an audit is in process,

all records relevant to the audit shall be retained until the completion of the audit or the final resolution of all audit exceptions, deferrals and/or disallowances, whichever is later. The records shall fully disclose the type and extent of MAA performed by appropriate staff. The CONTRACTOR shall furnish said documentation, and any other information regarding payments for performing MAA, upon request, to the COUNTY, State or the federal government.

- 16. Designate an employee to act as liaison with COUNTY for issues concerning this Agreement.
- 17. Comply with enabling legislation, regulations, administrative claiming process directives, and program policy letters of the State Department of Health Services, as well as directives from the COUNTY.
- 18. Be responsible to the State and COUNTY for all requirements under this Agreement even though the requirements may be carried out pursuant to a subcontract. All subcontracts shall include provisions requiring compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. All non-governmental entities performing MAA pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed true subcontractors of the CONTRACTOR.

COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Review CONTRACTOR claims for payment to the State. Any claim that cannot be approved shall be returned to the CONTRACTOR with a written explanation of the basis for disapproval.
- 2. Process CONTRACTOR claims for reimbursement of the allowable actual costs of performing MAA necessary for the proper efficient administration of the Medi-Cal Program. The costs may include the expenses of staff, and the operating expenses and equipment costs necessary to collect data, disseminate information, and carry out the activities outlined in this Agreement. Reimbursement shall be made subsequent to the quarter for which a claim for Medi-Cal administrative activities is made and after the COUNTY receives claim reimbursement from the State.
- 3. Review revenue documentation that supports MAA CONTRACTOR costs and certifies to State that it meets qualifying federal local share matching criteria as outlined in 42 CFR 433.51.
- 4. Maintain copy of CONTRACTOR MAA claims and associated backup documentation for a period of three (3) years after claim submission, or, if an audit is in process, three (3) years after the completion of the audit.

- 5. Make audit files available to State or Federal auditors and respond to inquiries from these entities concerning CONTRACTOR MAA claims.
- 6. Provide CONTRACTOR with a standardized format for the Detailed Invoice and any subsequent updates as provided by State.
- 7. Make available to CONTRACTOR training and technical support on proper MAA to be claimed, identifying cost related to these activities, and billing procedures.
- 8. Designate a liaison with the CONTRACTOR for issues regarding this Agreement. All such issues shall be directed to:

MAA/TCM Coordinator County of Tulare Health & Human Services Agency 5957 So Mooney Blvd Visalia, CA 93277-9394

JOINT RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. The COUNTY and CONTRACTOR hereby agree to comply with all applicable laws governing the confidentiality of client information for Medi-Cal clients served by the CONTRACTOR, or subcontractor, under this Agreement. Applicable laws include, but are not limited to, 42 USC Section 139a(a) 7, 42 CFR Section 431.300, W&I Code, Section 14100.2, and 22 CCR Section 51009.
- 2. Both parties accept and agree to comply with the applicable standards set forth in the State of California, Department of Health Services, Additional Provisions (for Federally Funded Subvention Aid/Local Assistance Cost Reimbursement Agreements/Grants), which is incorporated by reference and made part of this Agreement as though fully set forth herein.

Exhibit "B" REIMBURSEMENT

STRATHMORE UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

The COUNTY submits claims based on CONTRACTOR performance of MAA activities. Reimbursement under this Agreement shall be made in the following manner:

- 1. Upon the CONTRACTOR complying will all provisions pursuant to this Agreement, and upon the submission of a quarterly Detailed Invoice, the COUNTY agrees to process claims for reimbursement. Reimbursement is conditioned on the CONTRACTOR supplying the aforementioned valid and substantiated information satisfactorily to the COUNTY within the time limits specified in this Agreement. Reimbursement shall not be withheld pending the submission of similar claims by other claiming units that have entered into a similar Agreement.
- 2. Data required to enable the COUNTY to submit the Detailed Invoice shall be submitted quarterly to the address noted in Exhibit "A," COUNTY Responsibilities, Item 8.
- 3. Both the COUNTY and CONTRACTOR agree that the validity and enforceability of this Agreement are contingent upon the availability of funds appropriated by the U.S. Congress and this Agreement will automatically terminate, without penalty by operation of law, at the end of the term for which the U.S. Congress appropriates funds.
- 4. Transfer of funds is contingent upon the availability of Federal Financial Participation (FFP).
- 5. The CONTRACTOR shall reply in a timely manner to a request for information or to audit exceptions by COUNTY, State and Federal audit agencies that directly relate to the MAA to be performed under this Agreement. Both parties to this Agreement recognize that the CONTRACTOR is liable only for audit exceptions that relate to MAA under this Agreement, and has no liability for any other claiming unit that may enter into a similar Agreement with the COUNTY for the performance of MAA.

The FFP received by COUNTY as a result of COUNTY processing Contractor's MAA claims will be distributed based on the following percentage methodologies and circumstances:

Contractor Reimbursement: 96% Administrative Fee retained by County: 4%

The administrative fee retained by County will be used to cover the cost of administering the MAA claim process.

Exhibit "C" INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

CONTRACTOR shall provide and maintain insurance for the duration of this Agreement against claims for injuries to persons and damage to property, which may arise from, or in connection with, performance under the Agreement by the CONTRACTOR, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors, if applicable.

A. <u>Minimum Scope & Limits of Insurance</u>

- 1. Coverage at least as broad as Commercial General Liability Insurance of \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence. If the annual aggregate applies it must be no less then \$2,000,000.
- 2. Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance (if applicable) of \$1,000,000 per occurrence.
- 3. Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance as required by law.
- 4. Professional Errors and Omissions Insurance of \$1,000,000.

B. Specific Provisions of the Certificate

- 1. The Certificate of Insurance for General Liability, Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and Professional Errors and Omissions Insurance have to meet the following requirements:
 - a. Name the COUNTY, Its officers, agents, employees and volunteers, individually and collectively, as additional insureds.
 - b. State that such Insurance for additional insureds shall apply as primary insurance and any other insurance maintained by COUNTY shall be excess.
 - c. Provide that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled, reduced In coverage, or otherwise materially changed except after thirty (30) days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the County.
- 2. The Certificate of Insurance for Workers Compensation, should include the following:
 - a. Waiver of Subrogation. Contractor waives all rights against the County and its agents, officers, and employees for recovery of damages to the extent these damages are covered by the workers compensation and employers liability.
- C. Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions

The COUNTY Risk Manager must approve any deductible or self-insured retention that exceeds \$100,000.

D. Acceptability of Insurance

Insurance must be placed with insurers with a current rating given by A.M. Best and Company of no less than A (-) from a company admitted to do business in California, any waiver of these standards are subject to approval by the County Risk Manager or County Risk Manager's designee.

E. Verification of Coverage

Prior to approval of this Agreement by the COUNTY, the CONTRACTOR shall file with the submitting department, certificates of insurance with original endorsements effecting coverage in a form acceptable to the COUNTY. The COUNTY reserves the right to require certified copies of all required insurance policies at any time.

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THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY, PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY

POLICY CHANGES

POLICY NUMBER YXB300831G	ENDORSEMENT EFFECTIVE July 1, 2008	COMPANY Genesis Insurance Company	
NAMED INSURED		COVERAGE PARTS AFFECTED	
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CHANGES

BLANKET ADDITIONAL INSURED ENDORSEMENT

- A. **SECTION II WHO IS AN INSURED** is amended to include any person or organization you are required by written contract or written agreement to include as an additional insured. Insurance shall be limited to the extent of coverage and limits of insurance required by the written contract or written agreement. The written contract or written agreement must be effective and executed prior to any "occurrence" taking place during the policy period. The extent of coverage and the limits of insurance of such written contract or written agreement shall not increase the limits stated in **SECTION III LIMITS OF INSURANCE** or extent of coverage stated in this policy.
- B. Any damages and/or "claim expenses" payable by us due to coverage provided by this endorsement to an additional insured will be in excess of the Self-Insured Retention Amount. If other valid and collectible insurance is available to the additional insured to pay damages and/or "claim expenses" due to an "occurrence", then our indemnification obligation is excess over such other insurance covering the additional insured, whether such other insurance is written on a primary, excess, contingent or on any other basis.

However, if a written contract or written agreement as stated in paragraph A. above specifically requires the insurance provided by this policy to apply primary to, and on a non-contributory basis with, any other available insurance to the additional insured, we agree to do so but any indemnification obligation by us due to a covered "occurrence" will be in excess of the Self-Insured Retention Amount and subject to the Limits of Insurance of this policy.

Nothing herein contained shall be held to waive, vary, alter or extend any condition or provision of the policy other than as stated above.

Exhibit "D" HIPAA REQUIREMENT

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)

- A. Definitions: Terms used, but not otherwise defined, in this Agreement shall have the same meaning as those terms in the Privacy Rule.
 - 1. Business Associate. "Business Associate" shall mean CONTRACTOR.
 - 2. Covered Entity. "Covered Entity" shall mean COUNTY.
 - 3. Individual. "Individual" shall have the same meaning as the term "individual" in 45 CFR 164.501 and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 CFR 164.502(g).
 - 4. Privacy Rule. "Privacy Rule" shall mean the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information at 45 CFR part 160 and part 164, subparts A and E.
 - 5. Protected Health Information. "Protected Health Information" shall have the same meaning as the term "protected health information" in 45 CFR 164.501, limited to the information created or received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity.
 - 6. Required By Law. "Required By Law" shall have the same meaning as the term "required by law" in 45 CFR 164.501.
 - 7. Secretary. "Secretary" shall mean the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services or his designee.

B. Obligations and Activities of CONTRACTOR

- 1. CONTRACTOR agrees to not use or disclose Protected Health Information other than as permitted or required by the Agreement or as Required By Law.
- 2. CONTRACTOR agrees to use appropriate safeguards to prevent use or disclosure of the Protected Health Information other than as provided for by this Agreement.
- 3. CONTRACTOR agrees to mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to CONTRACTOR of a use or disclosure of Protected Health Information by CONTRACTOR in violation of the requirements of this Agreement.
- 4. CONTRACTOR agrees to report to COUNTY any use or disclosure of the Protected Health Information not provided for by this Agreement of which it becomes aware.
- 5. CONTRACTOR agrees to ensure that any agent, including a subcontractor, to whom it provides Protected Health Information received from, or created or received by CONTRACTOR on behalf of COUNTY agrees to the same restrictions and conditions that apply through this Agreement to CONTRACTOR with respect to such information. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide access, at the request of COUNTY, and in the time and manner requested by COUNTY, to Protected Health Information in a Designated Record Set, to COUNTY or, as directed by COUNTY, to an Individual in order to meet the requirements under 45 CFR 164.524

- 6. CONTRATOR agrees to make any amendment(s) to Protected Health Information in a Designated Record Set that the COUNTY directs or agrees to pursuant to 45 CFR 164.526 at the request of COUNTY or an Individual, and in the time and manner requested by COUNTY
- 7. CONTRACTOR agrees to make internal practices, books, and records, including policies and procedures and Protected Health Information, relating to the use and disclosure of Protected Health Information received from, or created or received by CONTRACTOR on behalf of, COUNTY to the COUNTY, in a time and manner requested by COUNTY for purposes of determining CONTRACTOR's and/or COUNTY's compliance with the Privacy Rule.
- 8. CONTRACTOR agrees to document such disclosures of Protected Health Information and information related to such disclosures as would be required for COUNTY to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 CFR 164.528
- 9. CONTRACTOR shall provide to COUNTY or an individual, in time and manner designated by COUNTY, information collected in accordance with Title 45, CFR, Section 164.528, to permit the Department to respond to a request by the individual for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with Title 45, CFR, Section 164.528
- C. General Use and Disclosure Provisions: Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, CONTRACTOR may use or disclose Protected Health Information on behalf of, or to provide services to, COUNTY, if such use or disclosure of Protected Health Information would not violate the Privacy Rule if done by COUNTY or the minimum necessary policies and procedures of the COUNTY.

D Specific Use and Disclosure

- 1. Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, CONTRACTOR may use Protected Health Information for the proper management and administration of the CONTRACTOR or to carry out the legal responsibilities of the CONTRACTOR.
- 2. Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, CONTRACTOR may disclose Protected Health Information for the proper management and administration of the CONTRACTOR, provided that disclosures are Required By Law, or CONTRACTOR obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom the information is disclosed that it will remain confidential and used or further disclosed only as Required By Law or for the purpose for which it was disclosed to the person, and the person notifies the CONTRACTOR of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached.
- 3. Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, CONTRACTOR may use Protected Health Information to provide Data Aggregation services to COUNTY as permitted by 42 CFR 164.504(e)(2)(i)(B)

4. CONTRACTOR may used Protected Health Information to report violations of law to appropriate Federal and State authorities consistent with § 164.502(j)(1)

E. Obligations of COUNTY

- 1. COUNTY shall notify CONTRACTOR of any limitation(s) in its notice of privacy practices of COUNTY in accordance with 45 CFR 164.520, to the extent that such limitation may affect CONTRACTOR's use or disclosure of Protected Health Information.
- 2. COUNTY shall notify CONTRACTOR of any changes in, or revocation of, permission by Individual to use or disclose Protected Health Information, to the extent that such changes may affect CONTRACTOR's use or disclosure of Protected Health Information
- 3. COUNTY shall notify CONTRACTOR of any restrictions to the use or disclosure of Protected Health Information that COUNTY has agreed to in accordance with 45 CFR 164.522, to the extent that such restriction may affect CONTRACTOR's use or disclosure of Protected Health Information.
- F. Permissible Requests by COUNTY: Except as otherwise provided herein, COUNTY shall not request CONTRACTOR to use or disclose Protected Health Information in any manner that would not be permissible under the Privacy Rule if done by COUNTY

G. Miscellaneous

- 1. Regulatory References. A reference in this Agreement to a section in the Privacy Rule means the section as in effect or as amended.
- 2. Amendment. The Parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Agreement from time to time as is necessary for COUNTY to comply with the requirements of the Privacy Rule and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Pub L. No. 104-191.
- 3. Survival. The respective rights and obligations of CONTRACTOR under this Exhibit shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- 4. *Interpretation*. Any ambiguity in this Agreement shall be resolved to permit COUNTY to comply with the Privacy Rule.