This First Amendment to MOU is made and entered into on the date executed herein below, by and between the Lake County Department of Social Services, hereinafter referred to as "DSS", and Lake County Behavioral Health Services, hereinafter referred to as "BHS"; collectively referred to as the "parties".

WHEREAS, the original MOU was executed on March 2, 2021, for an indefinite term beginning February 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to update the scope and budget to incorporate additional **Lanterman-Petris-Short** (LPS) conservatorship service mandates under CARE Court and Senate Bill 43 (SB43);

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

I. PURPOSE

Page 1, section "I. PURPOSE" shall be amended to read as follows:

The Public Conservator (PC) provides mental health conservatorship services for Lake County residents who are gravely disabled (unable to provide for their food, clothing, or shelter) due to mental disease and who have been found by the superior court to be unable or unwilling to accept voluntary treatment. The purpose of this MOU is to establish a dual agency collaborative process to support timely level of care decisions for appropriate treatment and care of public conservatees.

BHS and DSS-PC shall coordinate in collaborative partnership to:

- Provide services to clients under LPS Conservatorship,
- Implement the CARE Act (SB1338) and SB43 requirements,
- Support effective interagency coordination and care,
- Identify billing mechanisms and staffing needs,
- Ensure compliance with state reimbursement policies and regulations.

II. DEFINITIONS

Page 2, "II. PROCEDURAL TERMINOLOGY" shall hereto be amended to add the following definitions:

- "CARE Court Activities": Includes court hearings, outreach/engagement, data reporting, clinical report preparation, and notifications as defined in BHIN 24-015.
- "LPS Conservatorship": A legal mechanism for individuals gravely disabled due to mental illness.
- "SB43": Expands the definition of grave disability and requires new protocols.
- "Respondent": An individual who is subject to a CARE Court proceeding.

III. SCOPE OF WORK

A. DSS-PC Responsibilities:

Page 3, "III. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY DSS-PC" shall be amended to add the following:

G. CARE Court and SB 43

- 1. Carry out all CARE Act responsibilities, including:
 - Attendance at CARE Court hearings.
 - o Preparation and submission of court reports.
 - o Engagement and outreach to respondents.
 - o Delivery of official notices.
 - o Tracking and reporting of required data elements.
 - o Tracking and reporting all billable hours.
- 2. Collaborate with BH for SB43 screening, referrals, and placement.

B. LCBHS Responsibilities:

Page 5, "IV. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY BHS" shall be amended to add the following:

H. CARE Court and SB 43

- 1. Refer individuals for conservatorship or CARE Court as appropriate.
- 2. Coordinate treatment, placement, discharge planning.
- 3. Provide clinical documentation to support DSS court filings.

IV. STAFFING AND FTE ESTIMATES

"XXI. STAFFING AND FTE ESTIMATES" are hereby added as follows:

DSS receives no state or federal funding to operate Public Conservator. Funding Public Conservator is not an appropriate use of DSS funding. Therefore, all PC staff should be funded through County General Fund, direct fees to conservatee estates, and/or BHS funds.

Due to the destitute nature of most conservatees, estate fees can not cover PC operating costs.

Current PAPGPC staff funding:

- 1.0 FTE Social Worker I/II/III LPS Conservatorship, Currently
- .25 FTE Social Services Aide LPS Conservatorship and all.

V. COMPENSATION

Page 9, "VIII. COMPENSATION" shall be amended as follows:

BHS compensation to DSS – PC shall not to exceed:

- FY 25/26 = \$153,984.70
- FY 26/27 = \$158,604.24 Contingent upon fiscal forecasting results
- FY 27/28 = \$163,362.37 Contingent upon fiscal forecasting results
- FY 28/29 = \$168,211.56 Contingent upon fiscal forecasting results

VI. CLAIMING AND BILLING STRUCTURE

Page 9, "IX. SUBMISSION OF INVOICES" shall be amended as follows: DSS-PC shall submit a monthly IDS form to BHS no later than the 20th of the month following the month in which services were provided, except for the months of May and June, which shall be submitted by June 5th. BHS shall review and approve DSS-PC's IDS forms and make payment within fifteen (15) days of approval.

VII. DATA SHARING AND CONFIDENTIALITY

Page 9, "XI. INFORMATION INTEGRITY AND SECURITY" shall be amended to add the following:

DSS -PC and BHS shall share relevant client data to ensure continuity of care. Sharing of information is permitted and appropriate for the purpose of program administration under the confidentiality and security authorities cited herein, and requires no additional authorization on a per-case basis, such as a signed release of information.

Except as specifically modified herein, all other terms and conditions of the original MOU shall remain in full force and effect.		
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