1. Service Overview

Contractor agrees to provide to the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) the services described herein:

Contractor shall perform County-Based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (CMAA) on behalf of DHCS 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. These activities include, but are not limited to, attending or conducting general, non-medical staff meetings, developing and monitoring program budgets and/or site management, and general non-program supervision of staff. This also includes staff break time and any time spent filling out a Time Survey Form Medi-Cal Outreach, Referral, Coordination, and Monitoring of Medi-Cal Services, Facilitating Medi-Cal Application, Arranging and/or Providing Non-Emergency, Non-Medical Transportation to a Medi-Cal Covered Service, Contract Administration for Medi-Cal Services, Program Planning and Policy Development for Medi-Cal Services, Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA)/Targeted Case Management (TCM) Coordination and Claims Administration, MAA/TCM Implementation Training, general administration, and paid time off.

2. Service Location

The activities shall be performed at applicable facilities within the Lake County geographic region.

3. Service Hours

The services shall be provided during normal Contractor working hours and days.

4. Project Representatives

A. The project representatives during the term of this Agreement will be:

Department of Health Care Services

Shelly Taunk, Chief County-Based Claiming and Inmate Services Section Telephone: (916) 345-7934

Fax: (916) 552-9109

E-Mail: shelly.taunk@dhcs.ca.gov

County of Lake

Lynda Lindsay Lake County Health Services Telephone: (707) 263-8929

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B. Direct all inquiries to:

Department of Health Care Services

County-Based Claiming and Inmate Services Section Attention: Autumn Recce 1501 Capitol Ave., MS 4603

Sacramento, CA 95899-7436 Telephone: (916) 345-7866 Fax: (916) 552-9109

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C. Either party may make changes to the information above by giving written notice to the other party. Said changes shall not require an amendment to this agreement.

5. Services to be Performed

The following CMAA are *eligible* for Federal Financial Participation (FFP) only when they are identified in a CMAA Claiming Plan approved by the State and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS):

- A. **Medi-Cal Outreach**: This activity may consist of discrete campaigns or may be an ongoing activity. This activity is directed to groups or individuals targeted to two goals:
 - a. Bringing potential eligibles into the Medi-Cal system for the purpose of determining Medi-Cal eligibility.
 - b. Bringing Medi-Cal eligibles into Medi-Cal services.

Outreach may consist of discrete campaigns or may be an ongoing activity, such as: sending teams of employees into the community to contact homeless alcoholics or drug abusers; establishing a telephone or walk-in service for referring persons to Medi-Cal services or eligibility offices; operating a drop-in community center for underserved populations, such as minority teenagers where Medi-Cal eligibility and service information is disseminated.

- NOTE: Public health outreach conducted by Local Government Agencies (LGAs) shall not duplicate the requirements on Medi-Cal managed care providers to pursue the enrollment of Medi-Cal eligibles in their service areas.
- c. Medi-Cal only eligibility outreach campaigns directed to the entire population to encourage potential Medi-Cal eligibles to apply for Medi-Cal are allowable, and the costs do not have to be discounted by the Medi-Cal percentage:
 - (1) Outreach campaigns directed toward bringing Medi-Cal eligibles into Medi-Cal covered services are allowable and the costs do not have to be discounted by the Medi-Cal percentage. In such campaigns, the language should clearly indicate that the message is directed only to persons eligible for Medi-Cal, and not the general public. These campaigns are service campaigns, targeted on specific Medi-Cal services, such as Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment.
 - (2) A health education program or campaign may be allowable as a Medi-Cal administrative cost if it is targeted specifically to Medi-Cal services and for Medi-Cal eligible individuals, such as an educational campaign on immunization addressed to parents of Medi-Cal children.
- B. Referral, Coordination, and Monitoring of Medi-Cal Services: Referral, Coordination, and Monitoring of Medi-Cal Services includes making referrals for, coordinating, and/or monitoring the delivery of Medi-Cal covered services.

- C. Facilitating Medi-Cal Application (Eligibility Intake): This activity includes explaining Medi-Cal eligibility rules and the Medi-Cal eligibility process to prospective applicants; assisting an applicant to fill out a Medi-Cal eligibility application; gathering information related to the application and eligibility determination or re-determination from a client, including resource information and third party liability information, as a prelude to submitting a formal Medi-Cal application to the county welfare department; and/or providing necessary forms and packaging all forms in preparation for the Medi-Cal eligibility determination. This activity does not include the eligibility determination itself. These costs do not have to be discounted (i.e., reduced) by the Medi-Cal percentage.
- D. Arranging and/or Providing Non-Emergency, Non-Medical Transportation to a Medi-Cal covered Service: Arranging and/or providing non-emergency, non-medical transportation for a Medi-Cal eligible client who does not have a physical or mental limitation to a Medi-Cal provider for a Medi-Cal covered service when medically necessary. Arranging and/or providing non-emergency, non-medical transportation and accompaniment by an attendant, for a Medi-Cal eligible client who has a physical or mental limitation to an Medi-Cal provider for a Medi-Cal covered service when medically necessary. If the Medi-Cal eligible client does not have a physical or mental limitation, the contractor or governmental unit may provide transportation services, but is unable to accompany the client to the Medi-Cal covered service appointment. However, LGAs may not claim arranging transportation as CMAA when performed by a TCM Case Manager. The cost of this time will be included in the TCM encounter rate and is not claimable separately through CMAA (DHCS CMMA Program Operational Plan, Appendix D, Section III.3.).

Examples: Providing transportation services to a Medi-Cal eligible individual to a Medi-Cal service provider. Scheduling or arranging transportation to Medi-Cal covered services. Accompanying clients (elderly, young, disabled at a Medi-Cal provider medical appointment because the client has physical limitation, pursuant to 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 440.170.

E. Contract Administration for Medi-Cal Services: This activity involves entering into agreements with community based organizations or other provider agencies for the provision of Medi-Cal services and/or CMAA, other than TCM. The costs of TCM subcontract administration should be included in the TCM rate.

NOTE: A Contractor has the option of claiming the costs of contract administration for allowable CMAA, such as Outreach, under that activity or the costs may be claimed under Contract Administration. Under no circumstances are the costs of contract administration for allowable CMAA to be claimed under both Contract Administration and the activity, such as Outreach. Contracting for Medi-Cal services may only be claimed under Contract Administration.

Contracting for Medi-Cal services and/or CMAA is claimable as an administrative activity when the administration of those agreements meets all of the following criteria:

- a. The contract administration is performed by an identifiable unit of one or more employees, whose tasks officially involve contract administration, according to the duty statements or job descriptions of the employees being claimed.
- b. The contract administration involves contractors that provide Medi-Cal services and/or CMAA. The costs of contracting for TCM services with non-LGA providers should be claimed as part of the TCM rate. These costs cannot be separately claimed as CMAA.
- c. The contract administration must be directed to one or more of the following goals:
 - (1) Identifying, recruiting, and contracting with community agencies as Medi-Cal service contract providers;
 - (2) Providing technical assistance to Medi-Cal subcontractors regarding County, State and Federal regulations;
 - (3) Monitoring provider agency capacity and availability; and
 - (4) Ensuring compliance with the terms of the agreement.

The contracts being administered must be for Medi-Cal services and CMAA or just CMAA and target Medi-Cal populations only or target the general population if the general population includes a Medi-Cal eligible population.

- F. Program Planning and Policy Development (PP&PD) for Medi-Cal Services: This activity may be claimed at the enhanced rate (75 percent FFP) if performed by a Skilled Professional Medical Personnel (SPMP), or the non-enhanced rate (50 percent FFP) if performed by a non-SPMP.
 - a. Allowable: This activity is claimable when performed, either part-time or full-time, by one or more Contractor employees and subcontractors whose tasks officially involve PP&PD. Contractor employees performing this activity must have the tasks identified in the employee's position descriptions/duty statements. If the programs serve both Medi-Cal and non-Medi-Cal clients, the costs of PP&PD activities must be allocated according to the Medi-Cal percentages being served by the programs.

This activity is claimable as a direct charge for Medi-Cal administration only when PP&PD is performed by a unit of one or more Contractor employees who spend 100 percent of their paid working time performing this activity. This activity is claimable only if the administrative amounts being claimed for PP&PD persons and activities are not otherwise included in other claimable cost pools; and the amounts being claimed for such persons employed by (and activities taking place in) a service provider setting are not otherwise being reimbursed through the billable service rate of that provider. Costs for persons performing this activity less that 100 percent of their time will be based on a time-survey.

In LGAs with county-wide managed care arrangements, PP&PD activities are claimable as Medi-Cal administration only for those services that are excluded from the managed care contracts.

Under the conditions specified above, the following tasks are allowable as CMAA under this activity:

- (1) Developing strategies to increase Medi-Cal system capacity and close Medi-Cal service gaps. This includes analyzing Medi-Cal data related to a specific program or specific group.
- (2) Interagency coordination to improve delivery of Medi-Cal services.
- (3) Developing resource directories of Medi-Cal services/providers.
- (4) For subcontractors, some PP&PD support services are allowable, e.g., developing resource directories, preparing Medi-Cal data reports, conducting needs assessments, or preparing proposals for expansion of Medi-Cal services.
- b. Not allowable: This activity is not allowable if staff performing this function are employed full-time by service providers, such as clinics. The full costs of the employee's salary are assumed to be included in the billable fee-for-service rate and separate CMAA claiming is not allowed.
 - This activity is not allowable if staff who deliver services part-time in an LGA service provider setting, such as a clinic, are performing PP&PD activities relating to the service provider setting in which they deliver services.
- G. MAA/TCM Coordination and Claims Administration: Contractor employees whose position description/duty statement includes the administration of CMAA and TCM on an LGA service region-wide basis, may claim for the costs of these activities on the CMAA detailed invoice as a direct charge.
 - Costs incurred in the preparation and submission of CMAA claims at any level, including staff time, supplies, and computer time, may be direct charged. If the CMAA/TCM Coordinator and/or claims administration staff are performing this function part-time, along with other duties, they must certify the percentage of total time spent performing the duties of CMAA coordination and/or claims administration. The percentage certified for the CMAA/TCM Coordinator and/or claims administration staff activities must be used as the basis for federal claiming. Charges for supervisors, clericals, and support staff may be allocated based upon the percentage of certified time of the CMAA/TCM Coordinator and claims administration staff.
 - a. The CMAA/TCM Coordinator and claims administration staff may claim the costs of the following activities, as well as any other reasonable activities directly related to the Contractor's administration of TCM services and CMAA at the LGA-wide level:
 - (1) Drafting, revising, and submitting CMAA Claiming Plans, and TCM performance monitoring plans.
 - (2) Serving as liaison with and monitoring the performance of claiming programs within the LGA and with the State and Federal Governments on CMAA and TCM.

- (3) Administering LGA claiming, including overseeing, preparing, compiling, revising and submitting CMAA and TCM invoices on an LGA-wide basis to the State.
- (4) Attending training sessions, meetings, and conferences involving CMAA and/or TCM.
- (5) Training Contractor program and subcontractor staff on State, Federal, and Local requirements for CMAA and/or TCM claiming.
- (6) Ensuring that CMAA and/or TCM invoices do not duplicate Medi-Cal invoices for the same services or activities from other providers. This includes ensuring that services are not duplicated when a Medi-Cal beneficiary receives TCM services from more than one case manager.
- NOTE: The costs of the CMAA/TCM Coordinator's time and claims administration staff time must not be included in the CMAA claiming or in the TCM rate, since the costs associated with the time are to be direct charged. Charges for supervisors, clericals, and support staff for these employees may be allocated based upon the percentage of certified time of the CMAA/TCM Coordinator and claims administration staff. The costs of TCM claiming activity at the TCM provider level are to be included in the TCM rate.
- H. MAA/TCM Implementation Training: Training activities shall be time studied in accordance with the purpose of the training. Training activities include time spent providing or attending training related to the performance of CMAA or TCM. Training activities also include reasonable time spent on related paperwork, clerical activities, staff travel time necessary to perform these activities including initiating and responding to email and voicemail. Training that is unrelated to CMAA is not allowable.
- I. **General Administration**: This includes activities that are eligible for cost distribution on a 2 CFR Part 200 et. Seq. approved cost allocation basis. These costs are to be distributed proportionately while performing the following activities:
 - a. Attend or conduct general, non-medical staff meetings;
 - b. Develop and monitor program budgets;
 - c. Provide instructional leadership, site management, supervise staff, or participate in Employee performance reviews;
 - d. Review departmental or unit procedures and rules:
 - e. Present or participate in, in-service orientations and programs;
 - f. Participate in health promotion activities for employees of the Contractor; and
 - g. The 15 minutes that a time survey participant spent filling out the Time Survey Form at the end of the work day.

J. Paid Time Off: This activity is to be used by all staff involved in CMAA to record usage of paid leave, including vacation, sick leave, holiday time and any other employee time off that is paid. This does not include lunch or meal breaks, off payroll time, or Compensatory Time Off which shall be allocated as prescribed by the State.

6. Americans with Disabilities Act

Contractor agrees to ensure that deliverables developed and produced, pursuant to this Agreement shall comply with the accessibility requirements of **Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1973** as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794 (d), and regulations implementing that act as set forth in Part 1194 of Title 36 of the Federal Code of Regulations. In 1998, Congress amended the **Rehabilitation Act of 1973** to require Federal agencies to make their electronic and information technology (EIT) accessible to people with disabilities. California Government Code section 11135 codifies section 508 of the Act requiring accessibility of electronic and information technology.