

## **MASTER CONTRACT**

THIS MASTER CONTRACT is entered into between the Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc., hereinafter referred to as the “Council,” and **Name of Contractor** hereinafter referred to as the “Contractor”, who are collectively referred to as the “Parties.” The term Contractor for this purpose may designate a vendor, subgrantee or subrecipient, the status to be further identified in ATTACHMENT I, Exhibit-1 as necessary.

### **1. Purpose of Contract**

The purpose of this Master Contract is to set the general terms and conditions applicable to the contracts or agreements between the Contractor and the Council for the provision of the services specified in each one of those contracts or agreements incorporating this Master Contract by reference with all its attachments and exhibits, which shall constitute in each case the entire contract document.

#### **1.1 Florida Department of Elder Affairs’ Mission Statement**

To foster an environment that promotes well-being for Florida’s elders and enables them to remain in their homes and communities. The Florida Department of Elder Affairs’ vision is of all Floridians aging with dignity, purpose, and independence. Area agencies, lead agencies and local service providers, as partners and stakeholders in Florida’s aging services network, are expected to support the Florida Department of Elder Affairs’ mission, vision, and program priorities.

#### **1.2 Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc.’s Mission Statement**

To plan, coordinate, monitor, evaluate and fund various groups, agencies, organizations and projects relating to the elderly in Broward County, Florida; to plan, plan for, promote, provide for and provide services and activities for elderly people in Broward County, Florida; to encourage participation and involvement of volunteers, professionals, and all other persons interested in the welfare and well-being of the elderly in Broward County, Florida.

### **2. Incorporation of Documents within the Contract**

All contracts or agreements including attachments, proposal(s), solicitation(s), service provider application(s), grant agreements, relevant to the Florida Department of Elder Affairs’ handbooks, manuals or desk books executed between the Contractor and the Council shall incorporate this Master Contract by reference and be subject to the conditions set forth in this Master Contract for the duration of the contract period(s). Any and all contracts or agreements executed between the Contractor and the Council during the effective period of this Master Contract will incorporate this Master Contract by reference and shall be governed in accordance with the applicable laws, statutes, and other conditions set forth in this Master Contract.

### **3. Term of Contract**

This Master Contract when executed will have an effective date of January 1, 20XX. It will end at midnight, Eastern Standard Time on December 31, 20XX.

### **4. Compliance with Federal Law**

#### **4.1** If any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference contains federal funds this section shall apply:

- 4.1.1** The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of 45 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 75 and/or 45 CFR Part 92, 2 CFR Part 200 and other applicable regulations.
- 4.1.2** If the contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference contains federal funds and is over \$100,000.00, the Contractor shall comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued under Section 306 of the Clean Air Act as amended (42 United States Code U.S.C. 7401 et seq.), Section 508 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), Executive Order 11738, as amended, and where applicable Environmental Protection Agency regulations 2 CFR Part 1500. The Contractor shall report any violations of the above to the Council.
- 4.1.3** The Contractor, or agent acting for the Contractor, may not use any federal funds received in connection with any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference to influence legislation or appropriations pending before the Congress or any State Legislature. The Contractor must, prior to contract execution, complete the Certification Regarding Lobbying included in ATTACHMENT II, Certifications and Assurances.
- 4.1.4** In accordance with Appendix II to 2 CFR Part 200, the Contractor shall comply with Executive Order 11246, Equal Employment Opportunity, as amended by Executive Order 11375 and others, and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulation 41 CFR Part 60 and Department of Health and Human Service regulations 45 CFR Part 92, if applicable.
- 4.1.5** A contract or agreement award with an amount expected to equal or exceed \$25,000.00 and certain other contract or agreement awards will not be made to parties listed on the government-wide Excluded Parties List System, in accordance with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidelines at 2 CFR Part 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 and 12689, “Debarment and Suspension.” The Excluded Parties List System contains 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. The Contractor shall comply with these provisions before doing business or entering into subcontracts receiving federal funds pursuant to any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference. The Contractor shall complete and sign the Debarment and Suspension Certification included in ATTACHMENT II, Certifications and Assurances, prior to the execution of this Master Contract.
- 4.2** The Contractor shall not employ an unauthorized alien. The Council will consider the employment of unauthorized aliens a violation of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1324a) and the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (8 U.S.C. 1101). Such violation will be cause for unilateral cancellation of this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference by the Council.
- 4.3** If the Contractor is a non-profit provider and is subject to Internal Revenue Service (IRS) tax exempt organization reporting requirements (filing a Form 990 or Form 990-N) and has its tax exempt status revoked for failing to comply with the filing requirements of the Pension Protection Act of 2006 or for any other reason, the Contractor must notify the Council in writing within thirty (30) days of receiving the IRS notice of revocation.
- 4.4** The Contractor shall comply with Title 2 CFR Part 175 regarding Trafficking in Persons.

- 4.5** Unless exempt under 2 CFR Part 170.110(b), the Contractor shall comply with the reporting requirements of the Transparency Act as expressed in 2 CFR Part 170.
- 4.6** To comply with Presidential Executive Order 12989 and State of Florida Executive Order Number 11-116, Contractor agrees to utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by Contractor during the contract or agreement term. The Contractor shall include in related subcontracts a requirement that subcontractors performing work or providing services pursuant to the state contract utilize the E-verify system to verify employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the subcontractor during any contract or agreement term. Contractors meeting the terms and conditions of the E-Verify System are deemed to be in compliance with this provision. The Contractor shall complete and sign the Verification of Employment Certification included in ATTACHMENT II, Certifications and Assurances, prior to the execution of this Master Contract.

## **5. Compliance with State Law**

- 5.1** This Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference is executed and entered into with the Council, with the pass through funding from the Florida Department of Elder Affairs, and shall be construed, performed and enforced in all respects in accordance with the Florida law, including Florida provisions for conflict of laws.
- 5.2** If this contract contains state financial assistance funds, the Contractor shall comply with Section 215.97, F.S., and Section 215.971, F.S., and expenditures must be in compliance with laws, rules, and regulations including, but not limited to, the Reference Guide for State Expenditures from the Department of Financial Services at:  
[https://www.myfloridacfo.com/docs-sf/accounting-and-auditing-libraries/manuals/agencies/reference-guide-for-state-expenditures.pdf?sfvrsn=b4cc3337\\_7](https://www.myfloridacfo.com/docs-sf/accounting-and-auditing-libraries/manuals/agencies/reference-guide-for-state-expenditures.pdf?sfvrsn=b4cc3337_7)
- 5.3** The Contractor shall comply with requirements of Section 287.058, F.S. as amended.
- 5.3.1** The Contractor shall provide units of deliverables, including various client services, and in some instances may include reports, findings, and drafts, as specified in this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, which the Council's Contract Manager must receive and accept in writing prior to payment.
- 5.3.2** The Contractor shall submit bills for fees or other compensation for services or expenses in sufficient detail for a proper pre-audit and post-audit.
- 5.3.3** If itemized payment for travel expenses is permitted in any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, the Contractor shall submit bills for any travel expenses in accordance with Section 112.061, F.S., or at such lower rates as may be provided in this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference. The current state rate for reimbursement of travel in a privately owned vehicle is \$0.445 per mile.
- 5.3.4** The Contractor shall allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other public records as defined in Subsection 119.011(12), F.S., made or received by the Contractor in conjunction with any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, except for those records which are made confidential or exempt by law. The Contractor's refusal to comply with this

provision will constitute an immediate breach of contract or agreement for which the Council may unilaterally terminate this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference.

- 5.4 If clients are to be transported under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, the Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Chapter 427, F.S., and Rule Chapter 41-2, F. A. C.
- 5.5 Subcontractors who are on the Discriminatory Vendor List may not transact business with any public entity, in accordance with the provisions of Section 287.134, F.S.
- 5.6 The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Section 11.062, F.S., and Section 216.347, F.S., which prohibit the expenditure of Contract funds for the purpose of lobbying the legislature, judicial branch or a state agency.
- 5.7 The Council may, at its option, terminate this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, if the Contractor is found to have submitted a false certification as provided under section 287.135(5), F.S., has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, or the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, or if the Contractor has been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria or is engaged in a boycott of Israel. The Contractor shall complete and sign the Scrutinized Companies Lists Certification, included in ATTACHMENT II, Certifications and Assurances, prior to the execution of this Master Contract.

## 6. **Cooperation with the Inspector General**

Contractor agrees to comply with the Inspector General in any investigation, audit, inspection, review, or hearing performed pursuant to Section 20.055, F.S. The Contractor further agrees that it shall include, in related subcontracts, a requirement that subcontractors performing work or providing services pursuant to any contract or agreement that incorporates this Master Contract by reference, agree to cooperate with the Inspector general in any investigation, audit, inspection, review, or hearing performed pursuant to Section 20.055, F.S.

## 7. **Background Screening**

The Contractor shall ensure that the requirements of Section 430.0402 and Chapter 435, F.S., as amended, are met regarding background screening for all persons who meet the definition of a direct service provider and who are not exempt from the Florida Department of Elder Affairs' level 2 background screening pursuant to Section 430.0402(2)-(3), F.S. The Contractor must also comply with any applicable rules promulgated by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs and the Agency for Health Care Administration regarding implementation of Section 430.0402 and Chapter 435, F.S.

- 7.1 To demonstrate compliance with this provision, Contractor shall submit annually, no later than January XX, the completed ATTACHMENT VII, Background Screening Affidavit of Compliance.
- 7.2 Further information concerning the procedures for background screening is found at <https://elderaffairs.org/about-us/background-screening/>.

## 8. **Investigation of Criminal Allegations**

Any report that implies criminal intent on the part of the Contractor or any subcontractors and referred to a governmental or investigatory agency, must be sent to the Council. If the Contractor has reason to believe that the allegations will be referred to the State Attorney, a law enforcement agency, the United States Attorney's office, or governmental agency, the Contractor shall notify the Council immediately. A copy of all documents, reports, notes, or other written material concerning the investigation, whether in the possession of the Contractor or subcontractors, must be sent to the Council with a summary of the investigation and allegations.

## **9. Grievance and Complaint Procedures**

### **9.1 Grievance Procedures**

The Contractor shall comply with and ensure compliance with the Minimum Guideline for Recipient Grievance Procedures, Appendix D, Department of Elder Affairs Programs and Services Handbook, to address complaints regarding the termination, suspension or reduction of services, as required for receipt of funds.

### **9.2 Complaint Procedures**

The Contractor shall develop and implement complaint procedures to process and resolve client dissatisfaction with services. Complaint procedures shall address the quality and timeliness of services, provider and direct service worker complaints, or any other advice related to complaints other than termination, suspension or reduction in services that require the grievance process as described in Appendix D, Department of Elder Affairs Programs and Services Handbook. The complaint procedures shall include notification to all clients of the complaint procedure and include tracking the date, nature of the complaint and the determination of the complaint.

## **10. Public Records and Retention**

By execution of this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, Contractor agrees to all provisions of Chapter 119, F.S., and any other applicable law, and shall:

- 10.1** Keep and maintain public records required by the Council to perform the contracted services.
- 10.2** Upon request from the Council's custodian of public records, provide the Council a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, F.S., or as otherwise provided by law.
- 10.3** Ensure that public records that are exempt, or confidential and exempt, from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the contract if the Contractor does not transfer the records to the Council.
- 10.4** Upon completion of the contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, the Contractor will either transfer, at no cost to the Council, all public records in possession of the Contractor, or will keep and maintain public records required by the Council. If the Contractor transfers all public records to the Council upon completion of the contract, Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt, or confidential and exempt, from public records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the contract, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the Council in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the Council.

- 10.5** The Council may unilaterally cancel any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Master Contract, for refusal by the Contractor to comply with Section 10 of this Master Contract by not allowing public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other material made or received by the Contractor in conjunction with this Master Contract or any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, unless the records are exempt, or confidential and exempt, from Section 24(a) of Article I of the State Constitution and Section 119.07(1), F.S.

**IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS MASTER CONTRACT OR ANY CONTRACT THAT INCORPORATES THIS MASTER CONTRACT BY REFERENCE, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT:**

**Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc.  
5300 Hiatus Road, Sunrise, FL 33351**

**(954) 745-9567**

**11. Audits, Inspections, Investigations**

- 11.1** The Contractor shall establish and maintain books, records and documents (including electronic storage media) sufficient to reflect all assets, obligations, unobligated balances, income, interest and expenditures of funds provided by the Council under this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference. Contractor shall adequately safeguard all such assets and assure they are used solely for the purposes authorized under any contract or agreement which incorporates this Master Contract by reference. Whenever appropriate, financial information should be related to performance and unit cost data.
- 11.2** The Contractor shall retain and maintain all client records, financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and any other documents (including electronic storage media) pertinent to any contract or agreement which incorporates this Master Contract by reference for a period of six (6) years after completion of the contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference or longer when required by law. In the event an audit is required for any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, records shall be retained for a minimum period of six (6) years after the audit report is issued or until resolution of any audit findings or litigation based on the terms of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, at no additional cost to the Council.
- 11.3** Upon demand, at no additional cost to the Council, the Contractor shall facilitate the duplication and transfer of any records or documents during the required retention period.
- 11.4** The Contractor shall assure that the records described in this section will be subject at all reasonable times to inspection, review, copying, or audit by federal, state, or other personnel duly authorized by the Council.
- 11.5** At all reasonable times for as long as records are maintained, persons duly authorized by the Council and federal auditors, pursuant to 45 CFR Part 75, will be allowed full access to and the right to examine any of the Contractor's contracts or agreements, related records and documents pertinent to any contract or agreement, regardless of the form in which it is kept.

- 11.6** The Contractor shall provide a financial and compliance audit to the Council as specified in ATTACHMENT I of this Master Contract and ensure that all related third-party transactions are disclosed to the auditor.
- 11.7** Contractor agrees to comply with the Inspector General in any investigation, audit, inspection, review, or hearing performed pursuant to Section 20.055, F.S. Contractor further agrees that it shall include in related subcontracts a requirement that subcontracts performing work or providing service pursuant to this Contract agree to cooperate with the Inspector General in any investigation, audit, review, or hearing pursuant to Section 20.055(5), F.S. By execution of this Master Contract the Contractor understands and will comply with this subsection.

**12. Nondiscrimination-Civil Rights Compliance**

- 12.1** The Contractor shall execute assurances in ATTACHMENT III, Assurances-Non-Construction Programs, that it will not discriminate against any person in the provision of services or benefits under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference or in employment because of age, race, religion, color, disability, national origin, marital status or sex in compliance with state and federal law and regulations. The Contractor further assures that all contractors, subcontractors, sub grantees, or others with whom it arranges to provide services or benefits in connection with any of its programs and activities are not discriminating against clients or employees because of age, race, religion, color, disability, national origin, marital status or sex. The Contractor shall complete and sign ATTACHMENT III, Assurances-Non-Construction Programs, prior to the execution of this Master Contract.
- 12.2** During the term of this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, the Contractor shall complete and retain on file a timely, complete and accurate Civil Rights Compliance Checklist, ATTACHMENT IV.
- 12.3** The Contractor shall establish procedures pursuant to federal law to handle complaints of discrimination involving services or benefits through any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference. These procedures will include notifying clients, employees, and participants of the right to file a complaint with the appropriate federal or state entity.
- 12.4** If any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, contains federal funds, these assurances are a condition of continued receipt of or benefit from federal financial assistance, and are binding upon the Contractor, its successors, transferees, and assignees for the period during which such assistance is provided. The Contractor further assures that all subcontractors, vendors, or others with whom it arranges to provide services or benefits to participants or employees in connection with any of its programs and activities are not discriminating against those participants or employees in violation of the above statutes, regulations, guidelines, and standards. In the event of failure to comply, the Contractor understands that the Council may, at its discretion, seek a court order requiring compliance with the terms of this assurance or seek other appropriate judicial or administrative relief, including but not limited to, termination of and denial of further assistance.

**13. Monitoring by the Council**

The Contractor shall allow persons duly authorized by the Council to inspect and copy any records, papers, documents, facilities, goods and services of the Contractor which are relevant to this Master Contract and any contract or agreement which incorporates this Master Contract by

reference, and to interview any clients, employees and subcontractor employees of the Contractor to assure the Council of the satisfactory performance of the terms and conditions of any contract or agreement which incorporates this Master Contract by reference. Following such review, the Council will provide a written report of its findings to the Contractor, and where appropriate, the Contractor shall develop a corrective action plan. The Contractor hereby agrees to correct all deficiencies identified in the corrective action plan in a timely manner as determined by the Council.

**14. Provision of Services**

The Contractor shall provide services in the manner to be described in subsequent contracts or agreements incorporating this Master Contract by reference.

**15. Coordinated Monitoring with Other Agencies**

If the Contractor receives funding from one or more State of Florida's human service agencies, in addition to the Florida Department of Elder Affairs through the Council, then a joint monitoring visit including such other agencies may be scheduled. For the purposes of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, and pursuant to Section 287.0575, F.S. as amended, State of Florida's human service agencies shall include the Department of Children and Families, the Department of Health, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and the Florida Department of Elder Affairs. Upon notification and the subsequent scheduling of such a visit by the designated agency's lead administrative coordinator, the Contractor will comply and cooperate with all monitors, inspectors, or investigators.

**16. New Contract(s) Reporting**

The Contractor shall notify the Council within ten (10) days of entering into a new contract or agreement with any of the five (5) state human service agencies. The notification shall include the following information: (1) contracting state agency; (2) contract name and number; (3) contract or agreement start and end dates; (4) contract or agreement amount; (5) contract or agreement description and commodity or service; and (6) Contract Manager name and number. In complying with this provision, and pursuant to Section 287.0575, F.S. as amended, the Contractor shall complete and provide the information in ATTACHMENT VI, Provider's State Contracts List.

**17. Indemnification**

The Contractor shall indemnify, save, defend, and hold harmless the Council and its agents and employees and the State of Florida and its agents and employees and the Florida Department of Elder Affairs and its agents and employees from any and all claims, demands, actions, causes of action of whatever nature or character, arising out of or by reason of the execution of this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference or performance of the services provided for herein. It is understood and agreed that the Contractor is not required to indemnify the Council for claims, demands, actions or causes of action arising solely out of the Council's negligence. Except to the extent permitted by Section 768.28, F.S., or other Florida law, this Section 17 is not applicable to contracts or agreements executed between the Contractor, the Council and state agencies or subdivisions defined in Section 768.28(2), F.S.

**18. Insurance and Bonding**

- 18.1** The Contractor shall provide continuous adequate liability insurance coverage during the existence of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference and any renewal(s) and extension(s) of it. By execution of this Master Contract and any contract or agreement



incorporating this Master Contract by reference, unless it is a state agency or subdivision as defined by Subsection 768.28(2), F.S., the Contractor accepts full responsibility for identifying and determining the type(s) and extent of liability insurance necessary to provide reasonable financial protections for the Contractor and the clients to be served under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference. The limits of coverage under each policy maintained by the Contractor do not limit the Contractor's liability and obligations under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference. The Contractor shall ensure that the Council has the most current written verification of insurance coverage throughout the term of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference. Such coverage may be provided by a self-insurance program established and operating under the laws of the State of Florida. The Council reserves the right to require additional insurance as specified in any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference.

- 18.2** Throughout the term of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, the Contractor shall maintain an insurance bond from a responsible commercial insurance company covering all officers, directors, employees and agents of the Contractor authorized to handle funds received or disbursed under all contracts or agreements incorporating this Master Contract by reference in an amount commensurate with the funds handled, the degree of risk as determined by the insurance company and consistent with good business practices.

**19. Confidentiality of Information**

The Contractor shall not use or disclose any information concerning a recipient of services under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, for any purpose prohibited by state or federal law or regulations except with the written consent of a person legally authorized to give that consent or when authorized by law.

**20. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act**

Where applicable, the Contractor shall comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191, as well as all regulations promulgated thereunder (45 CFR Parts 160, 162, and 164).

The Council, as a covered entity, and the Contractor, as a business associate, shall comply with the provisions of 45 CFR Part 164 by entering into a Business Associate Agreement, ATTACHMENT IX, to ensure that the business associate will appropriately safeguard Protected Health Information (PHI).

**21. Incident Reporting**

- 21.1** The Contractor shall notify the Council immediately, but no later than forty-eight (48) hours from, the Contractor's awareness or discovery of conditions that may materially affect the Contractor or subcontractor's ability to perform the services required to be performed under any contract or agreement which incorporates this Master Contract by reference. Such notice shall be made orally to the Council's Contract Manager (by telephone) with an email to immediately follow.
- 21.2** The Contractor shall immediately report knowledge or reasonable suspicion of abuse, neglect, or exploitation of a child, aged person, or disabled adult to the Florida Abuse Hotline on the statewide toll-free telephone number (1-800-96ABUSE). As required by Chapters 39 and 415, F.S., this provision is binding upon both the Contractor and its employees.

**22. Bankruptcy Notification**

During the term of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Council if the Contractor, its assignees, Subcontractors or affiliates file a claim for bankruptcy. Within ten (10) days after notification, the Contractor must also provide the following information to the Council: (1) the date of filing of the bankruptcy petition; (2) the case number; (3) the court name and the division in which the petition was filed (e.g., Northern District of Florida, Tallahassee Division); and, (4) the name address, and telephone number of the bankruptcy attorney.

**23. Sponsorship and Publicity**

- 23.1** As required by Section 286.25, F.S., if the Contractor is a non-governmental organization which sponsors a program financed wholly or in part by state funds, including any funds obtained through any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, it shall, in publicizing, advertising, or describing the sponsorship of the program, state: “Sponsored by (Contractor’s name), Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc., and the Florida Department of Elder Affairs.” If the sponsorship reference is in written material, the words “Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc. and Florida Department of Elder Affairs” shall appear in at least the same size letters or type as the name of the organization.
- 23.2** The Contractor shall not use the words “Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc. and the Florida Department of Elder Affairs” to indicate sponsorship of a program otherwise financed, unless specific authorization has been obtained by the Council prior to use.

**24. Assignments**

- 24.1** The Contractor shall not assign the rights and responsibilities under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference without the prior written approval of the Council, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. Any sublicense, assignment, or transfer otherwise occurring without prior written approval of the Council will constitute a material breach of the contract or agreement. In the event the Council approves transfer of the Council’s obligations, the Contractor remains responsible for all work performed and all expenses incurred in connection with the contract or agreement.
- 24.2** The Council is at all times entitled to assign or transfer, in whole or part, its rights, duties, or obligations under any contract or agreement to another contractor in Broward County, upon giving prior written notice to the Contractor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, should the Council assign the duties, rights, or obligations hereunder to a provider, individual, or entity who has been excluded, debarred, suspended, or otherwise deemed ineligible to participate in a Federal Health Care Program, including but not limited to Medicare or Medicaid, Contractor shall be entitled to immediately terminate this Agreement with no further obligations and with no liability, cost, penalty, or imposition of any damages.
- 24.3** This Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference shall remain binding upon the successors in interest of either the Contractor or the Council.

**25. Subcontracts**

- 25.1** The Contractor is responsible for all work performed and for all commodities produced pursuant to any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, whether actually furnished by the Contractor or its subcontractors. Any subcontracts shall be evidenced by a written document and subject to any conditions of approval the Council deems necessary. The Contractor further agrees that the Council will not be liable to the subcontractor in any way or for any reason. The Contractor, at its expense, shall defend the Council against any such claims as permitted by law.
- 25.2** The Contractor shall promptly pay any subcontractor upon receipt of payment from the Council. Failure to make payments to any subcontractor in accordance with Section 287.0585, F.S., unless otherwise stated in any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference between the Contractor and subcontractor, will result in a penalty as provided by statute.
- 26. Independent Capacity of Contractor**  
It is the intent and understanding of the Parties that the Contractor, or any of its subcontractors, are independent contractors and are not employees of the Council or the Florida Department of Elder Affairs and shall not hold themselves out as employees or agents of the Council or the Florida Department of Elder Affairs without specific authorization from the Council. It is the further intent and understanding of the Parties that the Council does not control the employment practices of the Contractor and will not be liable for any wage and hour, employment discrimination, or other labor and employment claims against the Contractor. All deductions for social security, withholding taxes, income taxes, contributions to unemployment compensation funds and all necessary insurance for the Contractor will be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.
- 27. Payment**
- 27.1** Payments shall be made to the Contractor pursuant to Section 215.422, F.S., as services are rendered and invoiced by the Contractor. The Council's Finance Director will have final approval of the invoice for payment, and will approve the invoice for payment only if the Contractor has met all terms and conditions of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, unless the bid specifications, purchase order, or the contract or agreement specify otherwise. The approved invoice will be submitted to the Council's finance section for budgetary approval and processing. Disputes arising over invoicing and payments will be resolved in accordance with the provisions of Section 215.422, F.S.
- 27.2** The Contractor agrees to submit bills for fees or other compensation for services or expenses in sufficient detail for a proper pre audit and post audit thereof. The Contractor shall comply with the particular requirements under the following laws and guidelines that are applicable to the contracts or agreements incorporating this Master Contract by reference: (a) paragraph (16) (b) of Section 216.181, F.S., regarding advances; (b) paragraph 69I-40.103 F.A.C. pertaining to Restriction of Expenditures from state funds; and, (c) the Invoice Requirements of the Reference Guide for State Expenditures from the Department of Financial Services at:  
[https://www.myfloridacfo.com/docs-sf/accounting-and-auditing-libraries/manuals/agencies/reference-guide-for-state-expenditures.pdf?sfvrsn=b4cc3337\\_7](https://www.myfloridacfo.com/docs-sf/accounting-and-auditing-libraries/manuals/agencies/reference-guide-for-state-expenditures.pdf?sfvrsn=b4cc3337_7)  
The Contractor certifies that detailed documentation is available to support each item on the itemized invoice or payment request for cost reimbursed expenses, fixed rate or deliverables contracts or agreements incorporating this Master Contract by reference, including paid subcontractor invoices, and will be produced upon request by the Council. The Contractor further

certifies that reimbursement requested is only for allowable expenses as defined in the laws and guiding circulars cited in Sections four (4) and five (5) of this Master Contract, in the Reference Guide for State Expenditures, and any other laws or regulations, as applicable, and that administrative expenses do not exceed amounts budgeted in the Contractor's approved service provider application as developed in accordance with and pursuant to Section 306(a) of the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended.

- 27.3** The Contractor shall provide units of deliverables, including reports, findings, and drafts as specified in the contracts or agreements and attachments which incorporate this Master Contract by reference, and the service provider application developed by the Contractor (pursuant to Section 306(a) of the Older Americans Act), to be received and accepted by the Contract Manager prior to payment.
- 27.4** The Council acknowledges its obligation to pay the Contractor for the performance of the Contractor's duties and responsibilities set forth in any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference.
- 27.5** The Council shall not be liable to the Contractor for costs incurred or performance rendered unless such costs and performances are in accordance with the terms and conditions of any contract or agreement executed between the Parties, which incorporates this Master Contract by reference, including but not limited to terms, governing the Contractor's promised performance and unit rates and/or reimbursement capitations specified.
- 27.6** The Council shall not be liable to the Contractor for any expenditures which are not allowable costs as defined in 45 CFR, Parts 74 and 92, as amended, or which expenditures have not been made in accordance with all applicable state and federal rules.
- 27.8** The Council shall not be liable to the Contractor for expenditures made in violation of regulations promulgated under the Older Americans Act, as amended, or in violation of applicable state and federal laws, rules, or provisions of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference.
- 28. Return of Funds**  
The Contractor shall return to the Council any overpayments due to unearned funds or funds disallowed and any interest attributable to such funds pursuant to the terms and conditions of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference that were disbursed to the Contractor by the Council. In the event that the Contractor or its independent auditor discovers that an overpayment has been made, the Contractor shall repay said overpayment immediately without prior notification from the Council. In the event that the Council first discovers an overpayment has been made, the Finance Director, on behalf of the Council, will notify the Contractor in writing of such findings. Should repayment not be made forthwith, the Contractor shall be charged at the lawful rate of interest on the outstanding balance pursuant to Section 55.03, F.S., after Council notification or Contractor discovery.
- 29. Data Integrity and Safeguarding Information**  
The Contractor shall insure an appropriate level of data security for the information the Contractor is collecting or using in the performance of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference. An appropriate level of security includes approving and tracking all Contractor employees that request system or information access and ensuring that user access has been removed from all terminated employees. The Contractor, among other requirements, must

anticipate and prepare for the loss of information processing capabilities. All data and software must be routinely backed up to ensure recovery from losses or outages of the computer system. The security over the backed-up data is to be as stringent as the protection required of the primary systems. The Contractor shall maintain written procedures for computer system backup and recovery. The Contractor shall complete and sign the Certification Regarding Data Integrity Compliance for Agreements, Grants, Loans and Cooperative Agreements included in ATTACHMENT II, Certifications and Assurances, prior to the execution of this Master Contract.

**30. Computer Use and Social Media Policy**

The Florida Department of Elder Affairs has implemented a Social Media Policy, in addition to its Computer Use Policy, which applies to all employees, contracted employees, consultants, other-personal-services and volunteers, including all personnel affiliated with third parties, such as, but not limited to, Area Agencies on Aging and vendors. Any entity that uses the Florida Department of Elder Affairs' computer resource systems must comply with the Florida Department of Elder Affairs' Social Media Policy, ATTACHMENT V, regarding social media. Social Media includes, but is not limited to blogs, podcasts, discussion forums, Wikis, RSS feeds, video sharing, social networks like MySpace, Facebook and Twitter, as well as content sharing networks such as flickr and YouTube.

**31. Conflict of Interest**

The Contractor shall establish safeguards to prohibit employees, board members, management and subcontractors from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest or personal gain. No employee, officer or agent of the Contractor or subcontractor shall participate in selection, or in the award of a contract or agreement supported by State or Federal funds if a conflict of interest, real or apparent, would be involved. Such a conflict would arise when: (a) the employee, officer or agent; (b) any member of his/her immediate family; (c) his or her partner; or (d) an organization which employs, or is about to employ, any of the above, has a financial or other interest in the firm selected for award. The Contractor officers, employees or agents will neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors or anything of monetary value from contractors, potential contractors, or parties to subcontracts. The Contractor's Board of Directors and management must disclose to the Council any relationship which may be, or may be perceived to be, a conflict of interest within thirty (30) calendar days of an individual's original appointment or placement in that position, or if the individual is serving as an incumbent, within thirty (30) calendar days of the commencement of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference. The Contractor's employees must make the same disclosures described above to the Contractor's Board of Directors. Compliance with this provision will be monitored.

**32. Public Entity Crime**

Pursuant to Section 287.133, F.S., a person or affiliate who has been placed on the Convicted Vendor List following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract or agreement to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract or agreement with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids, proposals, or replies on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a Contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract or agreement with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, F.S., for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months following the date of being placed on the Convicted Vendor List.

**33. Purchasing**

- 33.1** The Contractor shall procure products and/or services required to perform under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference in accordance with Section 413.036, F.S.
- 33.2** IT IS EXPRESSLY UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED THAT ANY ARTICLES THAT ARE THE SUBJECT OF, OR REQUIRED TO CARRY OUT, ANY CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT INCORPORATING THIS MASTER CONTRACT BY REFERENCE, FROM A NONPROFIT AGENCY FOR THE BLIND OR FOR THE SEVERELY HANDICAPPED THAT IS QUALIFIED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 413, F.S., IN THE SAME MANNER AND UNDER THE SAME PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN SECTION 413.036(1) AND (2), F.S. AND FOR PURPOSES OF ANY CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT INCORPORATING THIS MASTER CONTRACT BY REFERENCE, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE COUNCIL INsofar AS DEALINGS WITH SUCH QUALIFIED NONPROFIT AGENCY ARE CONCERNED.
- 33.3** Pursuant to Sections 413.036(1) and (4), F.S., the Contractor shall not be required to procure a product or service from RESPECT if: (a) the product or service is not available within a reasonable delivery time, (b) the Contractor is required by law to procure the product or service from any agency of the state, or (c) the Contractor determines that the performance specifications, price, or quality of the product or service is not comparable to the Contractor's requirements.
- 33.4** This act shall have precedence over any law requiring state agency procurement of products or services from any other nonprofit corporation unless such precedence is waived by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs through the Council in accordance with its rules.
- 33.5** Additional information about the designated nonprofit agency and the products it offers is available at <http://www.respectofflorida.org/>
- 33.6** The Contractor may procure any recycled products or materials, which are the subject of or are required to carry any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, when the Department of Management Services through the Council determines that those products are available, in accordance with the provisions of Section 403.7065, F.S.
- 33.7** The Contractor shall procure products and/or services required to perform under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference in accordance with Section 946.515, F.S.
- 33.8** IT IS EXPRESSLY UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED THAT ANY ARTICLES WHICH ARE THE SUBJECT OF, OR ARE REQUIRED TO CARRY OUT ANY CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT INCORPORATING THIS MASTER CONTRACT BY REFERENCE, SHALL BE PURCHASED FROM THE CORPORATION IDENTIFIED UNDER CHAPTER 946, F.S., IN THE SAME MANNER AND UNDER THE SAME PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN SUBSECTIONS 946.515(2) AND (4), F.S. AND FOR PURPOSES OF THIS MASTER CONTRACT, THE CONTRACTOR WILL BE DEEMED TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE COUNCIL INsofar AS DEALINGS WITH SUCH CORPORATION ARE CONCERNED.

- 33.9** The corporation identified is Prison Rehabilitative Industries and Diversified Enterprises, Inc. (PRIDE). Additional information about PRIDE and the commodities or contractual services it offers is available at <https://pride-enterprises.org/>

**34. Patents, Copyrights, Royalties**

If any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference is awarded state funding and if any discovery, invention or copyrightable material is developed or produced in the course of or as a result of work or services performed under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, or in any way connected with any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, or if ownership of any discovery, invention, or copyrightable materials was purchased in the course of or as a result of work or services performed under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, the Contractor shall refer the discovery, invention or copyrightable material to the Council to be referred to the Florida Department of Elder Affairs and/or the Department of State. Any and all patent rights or copyrights accruing under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference are hereby reserved to the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 286, F.S. Pursuant to Section 287.0571(5)(k), the only exceptions to this provision shall be those that are clearly expressed and reasonably valued in any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference.

- 34.1** If the primary purpose of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference is the creation of intellectual property, the State of Florida shall retain an unencumbered right to use such property, notwithstanding any agreement made pursuant to Paragraph 34.
- 34.2** If any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference is awarded solely federal funding, the terms and conditions are governed by 2 CFR §200.315 or 45 CFR §75.322, as applicable.
- 34.3** Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, if the Contractor or one of its subcontractors is a university and a member of the State University System of Florida, then Section 1004.23, F.S., shall apply, but the Florida Department of Elder Affairs shall retain a perpetual, fully-paid, nonexclusive license for its use and the use of its Contractors, subcontractors or assignees of any resulting patented, copyrighted or trademarked work products.

**35. Emergency Preparedness and Continuity of Operations**

- 35.1** If the tasks to be performed pursuant to any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference include the physical care and control of clients, or the administration and coordination of services necessary for client health, safety or welfare, the Contractor shall, within thirty (30) calendar days of the execution of any contract or agreement, submit to the Council verification of an Emergency Preparedness Plan. In the event of an emergency, the Contractor shall notify the Council of emergency provisions.
- 35.2** In the event a situation results in a cession of services by a subcontractor, the Contractor shall retain responsibility for performance under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference and must follow procedures to ensure continuity of operations without interruption.

**36. Equipment**

- 36.1** Equipment means: (a) an article of nonexpendable, tangible personal property, including information technology systems, having a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost which equals or exceeds the lesser of the capitalization level established by the organization for the financial statement purposes, or \$5,000.00 [for federal funds - 2 CFR §200.33 and 45 CFR §75.2, as applicable], or (b); nonexpendable, tangible personal property of a non-consumable nature with an acquisition cost of \$5,000.00 or more per unit, and expected useful life of at least one year; and hardback bound books not circulated to students or the general public, with a value or cost of \$250.00 or more [for state funds].
- 36.2** Contractors and subcontractors who are Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Other Non-Profit Organizations shall have written property management standards in compliance with 2 CFR Part 200 Administrative Requirements (formerly OMB Circular A-110) that include: (a) a property list with all the elements identified in the circular; (b) a procedure for conducting a physical inventory of equipment at least once every two (2) years; (c) a control system to insure adequate safeguards to prevent loss, damage, or theft of equipment; and (d) maintenance procedures to keep the equipment in good condition. The property records must be maintained on file and shall be provided to the Council upon request. The Contractor shall promptly investigate, fully document and fully document and notify the Council's Contract Manager of any loss, damage, or theft of equipment. The Contractor shall provide the results of the investigation to the Council's Contract Manager.
- 36.3** The Contractor's property management standards for equipment (including replacement equipment), whether acquired in whole or in part with federal funds and federally-owned equipment shall, as a minimum, meet the following requirements and to include accurately maintained equipment records with the following information:
- (1) Property records must be maintained that include a description of the equipment;
  - (2) Manufacturer's serial number, model number, federal stock number, national stock number, or other identification number;
  - (3) Source of funding for the equipment, including the federal award identification number;
  - (4) Whether title vests in the Contractor or the federal government;
  - (5) Acquisition date (or date received, if the equipment was furnished by the federal government) and cost;
  - (6) Information from which one can calculate the percentage of federal participation in the cost of the equipment (not applicable to equipment furnished by the federal government);
  - (7) Location, use and condition of the equipment and the date the information was reported;
  - (8) Unit acquisition cost; and
  - (9) Ultimate disposition data, including date of disposal and sales price or the method used to determine current fair market value where a Contractor compensates the federal awarding agency for its share.
  - (10) A physical inventory must be taken, and the results reconciled with the property records at least once every two (2) years.
  - (11) A control system must be developed to ensure adequate safeguards to prevent loss, damage, or theft of the property. Any loss, damage, or theft must be investigated. 45 CFR § 75.320(d)(3).
  - (12) Adequate maintenance procedures must be developed to keep the property in good condition.
  - (13) If the Contractor is authorized or required to sell the equipment, proper sales procedures must be established to ensure the highest possible return.



- 36.4** Equipment purchased with federal funds with an acquisition cost over \$5,000.00 and equipment purchased with state funds with an acquisition cost over \$5,000.00 is part of the cost of carrying out the activities and functions of the grant awards and Title (ownership) will vest in the Contractor [for federal funds see 2 CFR §200.313(a) and 45 CFR §75.320(a), as applicable], subject to the conditions of 2 CFR Part 200 and/or 45 CFR Part 75. Equipment purchased under these thresholds is considered supplies and is not subject to property standards. Equipment purchased with funds identified in the budget attachments to agreements covered by this Master Contract or any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, or identified in the sub agreements with subcontractors (not included in a cost methodology), is subject to the conditions of Chapter 273, F. S. and 60A-1.017, F. A. C. and 2 CFR Part 200 and/or 45 CFR Part 75.
- 36.5** The Contractor shall not dispose of any equipment or materials provided by the Council or the Florida Department of Elder Affairs, or purchased with funds provided through any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference without first obtaining the approval of the Council. When disposing of property or equipment the Contractor must submit a written request for disposition instructions to the Council. The request should include a brief description of the property, purchase price, funding source, percentage of state or federal participation, acquisition date and condition of the property. The request should also indicate the Contractor's proposed disposition (i.e., transfer or donation to another agency that administers federal programs, offer the items for sale, destroy the items, etc.).
- 36.6** The Council will issue disposition instructions. If disposition instructions are not received within 120 days of the written request for disposition, the Contractor is authorized to proceed as directed in 2 CFR §200.313 or 45 CFR §75.320, as applicable.
- 36.7** Real property means land (including land improvements), buildings, structures and appurtenances thereto, but excludes movable machinery and equipment. Real property may not be purchased with state or federal funds through contracts or agreements covered under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference without the prior approval of the Council. Real property purchases from Older Americans Act funds are subject to the provisions of Title 42, Chapter 35, Subchapter III, Part A., Section 3030b United States Code. Real property purchases from state funds can only be made through fixed capital outlay grants and aids appropriations and therefore are subject to the provisions of Section 216.348, F. S.
- 36.8** Any permanent storage devices (e.g.: hard drives, removable storage media) must be reformatted and tested prior to disposal to ensure no confidential information remains.
- 36.9** Contractor must adhere to the Florida Department of Elder Affairs' procedures and standards when purchasing Information Technology Resources (ITR) as part of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference. An ITR worksheet is required for any computer related item costing \$1,000.00 or more, including data processing hardware, software, services, supplies, maintenance, training, personnel and facilities. Contractor shall secure written approval through the Council's Contract Manager prior to the purchase of any ITR. Contractor shall not be reimbursed for any purchase made prior to the written approval. The completed ITR worksheet shall be maintained in the Contractor's LAN administrator's file and must be provided to the Council upon request. The Contractor has the responsibility to require any subcontractors to comply with the Florida Department of Elder Affairs' ITR procedures.

**37. PUR 1000 Form**

The PUR 1000 Form is hereby incorporated by reference and available at: [https://www.myflorida.com/apps/vbs/adoc/F7740\\_PUR1000.pdf](https://www.myflorida.com/apps/vbs/adoc/F7740_PUR1000.pdf)

In the event of any conflict between the PUR 1000 Form and any terms or conditions of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, the terms or conditions of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, shall take precedence over the PUR 1000 Form. However, if the conflicting terms or conditions in the PUR 1000 Form are required by any section of the Florida Statutes, the terms or conditions contained in the PUR 1000 Form shall take precedence.

**38. Use of State Funds to Purchase or Improve Real Property**

Any state funds provided for the purchase of or improvements to real property are contingent upon the Contractor or political subdivision granting to the state a security interest in the property at least to the amount of state funds provided for at least five (5) years from the date of purchase or the completion of the improvements or as further required by law.

**39. Dispute Resolution**

Any dispute concerning performance of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract, by reference that cannot be resolved by agreement of both Parties shall be decided by the Council's Executive Director, who shall reduce the decision to writing and serve a copy on the Contractor.

**40. Financial Consequences of Non-Performance**

If the Contractor fails to meet the minimum level of service or performance identified in any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, or that is customary for the industry, then the Council must apply financial consequences commensurate with the deficiency as outlined in any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference. The Contractor will not be charged with financial consequences, when a failure to perform arises out of causes that were the responsibility of the Council and/or the Florida Department of Elder Affairs.

**41. No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity**

Nothing contained in any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, is intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity by any entity to which sovereign immunity may be applicable.

**42. Venue**

If any dispute arises out of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, the venue of such legal recourse will be Broward County, Florida.

**43. Entire Contract**

This Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the Parties. No oral agreements or representations shall be valid or binding upon the Council or the Contractor unless expressly contained herein or by a written subsequent contract, agreement and/or amendment to this Master Contract signed by both Parties.

**44. Force Majeure**

The Parties will not be liable for any delays or failures in performance due to circumstances beyond their control, provided the party experiencing the force majeure condition provides immediate written notification to the other party and takes all reasonable efforts to cure the condition.

**45. Severability Clause**

The Parties agree that if a court of competent jurisdiction deems any term or condition herein void or unenforceable the other provisions are severable to that void provision and shall remain in full force and effect.

**46. Condition Precedent to Contract Appropriations**

The Parties agree that the Council's performance and obligation to pay under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference is contingent upon an annual appropriation by the State Legislature. In the event such an appropriation is not made, the Contractor will not be entitled to file a claims bill.

**47. Addition/Deletion**

The Parties agree that the Council reserves the right to add or to delete any of the services required under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference when deemed to be in Broward County's best interest and reduced to a written amendment signed by both Parties. The Parties shall negotiate compensation for any additional services added.

**48. Waiver**

The delay or failure by the Council to exercise or enforce any of its rights under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference will not constitute or be deemed a waiver of the Council's right thereafter to enforce those rights, nor will any single or partial exercise of any such right preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right.

**49. Compliance**

The Contractor shall abide by all applicable current federal statutes, laws, rules and regulations as well as applicable current State statutes, laws, rules and regulations. The Parties agree that failure of the Contractor to abide by these laws shall be deemed an event of default of the Contractor, and subject any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, to immediate, unilateral cancellation of the contract or agreement at the discretion of the Council.

**50. Final Invoice**

The Contractor shall submit the final invoice for payment to the Council as specified in any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference. If the Contractor fails to submit final request for payment as specified in any contract or agreement, then all rights to payment may be forfeited and the Council may not honor any requests submitted. Any payment due under the terms of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference may be withheld until all required documentation and reports due from the Contractor and necessary adjustments thereto have been approved by the Council.

**51. Renegotiations or Modifications**

Modifications of the provisions of any contract, agreement, and this Master Contract shall be valid only when they have been reduced to writing and duly signed by both Parties. The rate of payment and the total dollar amount may be adjusted retroactively for any contract or agreement

incorporating this Master Contract by reference to reflect price level increases and changes in the rate of payment when these have been established through the appropriations process and subsequently identified in the Council's operating budget.

**52. Suspension of Work**

The Council may in its sole discretion suspend any or all activities under this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, at any time, when in the best interests of the Council to do so. The Council shall provide the Contractor written notice outlining the particulars of suspension. Examples of the reason for suspension include, but are not limited to, budgetary constraints, declaration of emergency, or other such circumstances. After receiving a suspension notice, the Contractor shall comply with the notice and shall not accept any purchase orders. Within ninety (90) days, or any longer period agreed to by the Contractor, the Council shall either (1) issue a notice authorizing resumption of work, at which time activity shall resume, or (2) terminate the Contract or purchase order. Suspension of work shall not entitle the Contractor to any additional compensation.

**53. Termination**

**53.1 Termination for Convenience**

The Council, by written notice to the Contractor, may terminate this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference in whole or in part when the Council determines in its sole discretion that it is in the Council's interest to do so. The Contractor shall not furnish any product after it receives the notice of termination, except as necessary to complete the continued portion of the contract, if any. The Contractor shall not be entitled to recover any cancellation charges or lost profits.

**53.2 Termination for Cause**

The Council may terminate this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference if the Contractor fails to (1) deliver the product within the time specified in the contract or any extension, (2) maintain adequate progress, thus endangering performance of the contract, (3) honor any term of this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, or (4) abide by any statutory, regulatory, or licensing requirement. Rule 60A-1.006(3), F.A.C., governs the procedure and consequences of default. The Contractor shall continue work on any work not terminated.

Except for defaults of subcontractors at any tier, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference arises from events completely beyond the control, and without the fault or negligence, of the Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor at any tier, and if the cause of the default is completely beyond the control of both the Contractor and the subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the subcontracted products were obtained from other sources in sufficient time for the Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule. If, after termination, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the Parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the Council. The rights and remedies of the Parties in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Contract.

**54. Electronic Records and Signature**

The Council authorizes, but does not require, the Contractor to create and retain electronic records or to use electronic signatures to conduct transactions necessary to carry out the terms of this Master Contract and any contract or agreement which incorporates this Master Contract by reference. A Contractor that creates and retains electronic records and uses electronic signatures to conduct transactions shall comply with the requirements contained in the *Uniform Electronic Transaction Act*, Section 668.50, F.S. All electronic records must be fully auditable; are subject to *Florida's Public Records Law*, chapter. 119, F.S.; must comply with Section 29, *Data Integrity and Safeguarding Information*; must maintain all confidentiality, as applicable; and must be retained and maintained by the Contractor to the same extent as non-electronic records are retained and maintained as required by any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference.

**54.1** The Council's authorization pursuant to this section does not authorize electronic transactions between the Contractor and the Council. The Contractor is authorized to conduct electronic transactions with the Council only upon further written consent by the Council.

**54.2** Upon request by the Council, the Contractor shall provide the Council with non-electronic (paper) copies of records. Non-electronic (paper) copies provided to the Council of any document that was originally in electronic form with an electronic signature must indicate the person and the person's capacity who electronically signed the document on any non-electronic copy of the document.

**55. Volunteers**

The Contractor shall ensure the use of trained volunteers in providing direct services delivered to older individuals and individuals with disabilities needing such services. If possible, the Contractor shall work in coordination with organizations that have experience in providing training, placement, and stipends for volunteers or participants (such as the Senior Community Service Employment Program or organizations carrying out federal service programs administered by the Corporation for National and Community Service), in community service settings.

**56. Enforcement**

**56.1** The Council may, without taking any intermediate measures available to it against the Contractor including corrective action, unannounced special monitoring, temporary assumption of operation of one or more programs by the Council, placing the Contractor on probationary status, imposing a moratorium on Contractor action, imposing financial penalties for nonperformance, or other administrative actions, if the Council finds that any of the following have occurred:

- (1) An intentional or negligent act of the Contractor has materially affected the health, welfare, or safety of clients served pursuant to any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, or substantially and negatively affected the operation of services covered under any contract or agreement;
- (2) The Contractor lacks financial stability sufficient to meet contractual obligations or that contractual funds have been misappropriated;
- (3) The Contractor has committed multiple or repeated violations of legal and regulatory standards, regardless of whether such laws or regulations are enforced by the Council, or the Contractor has committed or repeated violations of Council standards;
- (4) The Contractor has failed to continue the provision or expansion of services after the declaration of a state of emergency;

- (5) The Contractor has exceeded its authority or otherwise failed to adhere to the terms of this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, with the Council, or has exceeded its authority or otherwise failed to adhere to provisions specifically provided by statute or rule adopted by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs;
- (6) The Contractor has failed to properly determine client eligibility as defined by the Council or efficiently manage program budgets; or
- (7) The Contractor has failed to implement and maintain a Council-approved client grievance resolution procedure.

**56.2** In making any determination under this provision the Council may rely upon the findings of another state or federal agency, or other regulatory body. Any claims for damages for breach of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference are exempt from administrative proceedings and shall be brought before the appropriate entity in the venue of Broward County, Florida.

## **57. Use of Service Dollars/Wait List Management**

**57.1** The Contractor is expected to spend all federal, state, and other funds provided by the Council, for the purpose specified in each contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference. The Contractor must manage the service dollars in such a manner so as to avoid having a wait list and a surplus of funds at the end of the contract period, for each program managed by the Contractor. If the Council determines that the Contractor is not spending service funds accordingly, the Council may transfer funds to another Contractor during the contract period and/or adjust subsequent funding allocations accordingly, as allowable under state and federal law.

**57.2** The Contractor agrees to distribute funds as detailed in the service provider application and the Budget Summary, included in each contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference. Any changes in the amounts of federal or general revenue funds identified on the Budget Summary form require a contract amendment.

## **58. Surplus/Deficit Report**

The Contractor will submit a consolidated surplus/deficit report in a format provided by the Council's Contract Manager by the 5th business day of each month. This report is for all contracts or agreements incorporating this Master Contract by reference between the Contractor and the Council. The report will include the following:

- (1) A list of all services and their current status regarding surplus or deficit;
- (2) The Contractor's detailed plan on how the surplus or deficit spending exceeding the threshold of plus or minus one percent (+/- 1%) will be resolved;
- (3) Recommendations to transfer funds to resolve surplus/deficit spending;
- (4) Input from the Contractor's Board of Directors on resolution of spending issues, if applicable;
- (5) Number of clients currently on Assessed Prioritized Consumer List (APCL), that receive a priority ranking score of 4 or 5; and
- (6) Number of clients currently on the APCL designated as Imminent Risk.

## **59. Official Payee and Representatives (Names, Address, and Telephone Numbers):**

a.	The Contractor name, as shown on page 1 of this Master Contract, and mailing address of the official payee to whom the payment will be made is:	Official Organization Name Address City, State, Zip Code
b.	The name of the contact person and street address where financial and administrative records are maintained is:	First Name Last Name, Title Organization Name Address City, State, Zip Code
c.	The name, address, and telephone number of the representative of the Contractor responsible for the administration of the program under Master Contract is:	First Name Last Name, Title Organization Name Address City, State, Zip Code Phone Number
d.	The section and location within the Council where the Request for Payment and Receipt and Expenditure forms are to be mailed or e-mailed is:	Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc. 5300 Hiatus Road, Sunrise, FL 33351 fiscal@adrcbroward.org
e.	The name, address, and telephone number of the Contract Manager for the Council for this Master Contract is:	Contract Manager Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc. 5300 Hiatus Road, Sunrise, FL 33351 (954) 745-9567
Upon change of representatives (names, addresses, telephone numbers) by either party, notice will be provided in writing to the other party and the notification attached to the originals of this Master Contract.		

## 60. Selection of a Project Director

- 60.1** In the event the representative of the Contractor, responsible for administration of the Program (Project Director), resigns, is terminated, or for other reasons, no longer is responsible for the Contract, the Contractor will submit, at a minimum, the names and credentials of three finalists being considered for the Project Director's vacancy. The Council will review and either approve or disapprove the candidates' credentials within ten (10) working days of such notification. Final selection of the Project Director will be made by the administering agency of the Contractor from the approved listing.
- 60.2** The qualifications of the person, selected to be a new Project Director, must receive approval by the Council prior to appointment. The following steps constitute the required process:
- (1) The Contractor will notify the Council of its recruitment methods. This notification must permit reasonable opportunity for the Council to comment and offer technical assistance on the recruitment plan. The plan must contain:
    - a. appropriate and reasonable effort to recruit applicants on a non-discriminatory basis.
    - b. information on where, when, how, and how long the vacancy will be advertised.
    - c. the methodology for accepting applications.
    - d. the methodology for screening applications/applicants.
    - e. the criteria which will be applied to determine three-to-five persons qualified for the position.

f. the education, training, and or experience deemed essential for the position as determined by the Contractor.

- (2) The Contractor will provide the Council with the application or resume' of persons deemed best qualified.
- (3) Council will, within ten (10) working days, review the application/resume of the candidates and offer comments on their qualifications.
- (4) After review and comment by Council, the Contractor is authorized to hire any of the individuals which have been deemed by the Council to meet the qualifications for the Project Director's position.

**60.3** If Council determines that none of the proposed candidates meet the qualifications for Project Director, the Contractor must repeat the recruitment cycle.

**60.4** The Contractor will repeat the recruitment cycle if the qualifications are judged by the Council to be insufficient.

**60.5** At any time there is a vacancy for a Project Director, the Contractor must immediately appoint an "Acting" Project Director, and notify the Council upon appointment. No person may serve as an "Acting" Director for more than 120 calendar days without prior written approval of the Council.

**61. All Terms and Conditions Included**

This Master Contract and its attachments, I - VIII and any exhibits referenced in said attachments, together with any documents incorporated by reference, contain all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the Parties. There are no provisions, terms, conditions, or obligations other than those contained herein, and this Master Contract will supersede all previous communications, representations or agreements, either written or verbal between the Parties. By signing this Master Contract, the Parties agree that they have read and agreed to the entire contract.

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this 55- page contract to be executed by their undersigned officials as duly authorized.

CONTRACTOR:

**Official Organization Name**

**Areawide Council on Aging of  
Broward County, Inc.**

BOARD PRESIDENT OR AUTHORIZED  
DESIGNEE

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**ATTACHMENT I****FINANCIAL AND COMPLIANCE AUDIT**

The administration of resources awarded by the Council to the Contractor may be subject to audits and/or monitoring by the Council and the Florida Department of Elder Affairs, as described in this section.

**MONITORING**

In addition to reviews of audits conducted in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200 (formerly OMB Circular A-133 as revised), and Section 215.97, F.S., (see “AUDITS” below), monitoring procedures may include, but not be limited to, on-site visits by the Council and/or the Florida Department of Elder Affairs staff, limited scope audits as defined by OMB Circular A-133, as revised, and/or other procedures. By entering into this Master Contract, and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, the Contractor agrees to comply and cooperate with any monitoring procedures/processes deemed appropriate by the Council. In the event the Council determines that a limited scope audit of the Contractor is appropriate, the Contractor agrees to comply with any additional instructions provided by the Council to the Contractor regarding such audit. The Contractor further agrees to comply and cooperate with any inspections, reviews, investigations, or audits deemed necessary by the Council, the State of Florida Chief Financial Officer (CFO) or Auditor General.

**AUDITS****PART I: FEDERALLY FUNDED**

This part is applicable if the Contractor is a State or local government or a non-profit organization as defined in 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart A.

In the event that the Contractor expends \$750,000.00 or more in federal awards during its fiscal year, the Contractor must have a single or program-specific audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR Part 200. Funding Summary indicates federal resources awarded through the Council. In determining the federal awards expended in its fiscal year, the Contractor shall consider all sources of Federal awards, including federal resources received from the Council. The determination of amounts of Federal awards expended should be in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200. An audit of the Contractor conducted by the Auditor General in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR Part 200 will meet the requirements of this part.

In connection with the audit requirements addressed in Part I, paragraph 1, the Contractor shall fulfill the requirements relative to auditee responsibilities as provided in 2 CFR §200.508.

If the Contractor expends less than \$750,000.00 in federal awards in its fiscal year, an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR Part 200 is not required. In the event that the Contractor expends less than \$750,000.00 in federal awards in its fiscal year and elects to have an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR Part 200 the cost of the audit must be paid from non-federal resources (i.e., the cost of such audit must be paid from Contractor resources obtained from other than federal entities.)

An audit conducted in accordance with this part shall cover the entire organization for the organization’s fiscal year. Compliance findings related to contracts with the Council shall be based on the contract’s requirements, including any rules, regulations, or statutes referenced in the contract. The financial statements shall disclose whether or not the matching requirement was met for each applicable contract. All questioned costs and liabilities due to the Council shall be fully disclosed in the audit report with reference to the Council contract involved. If not otherwise disclosed as required by 2 CFR §200.510 the schedule of expenditures of federal awards shall identify expenditures by contract number for each contract with the Council incorporating this Master Contract in effect during the audit period. Financial reporting packages required under this part must be submitted within the earlier of thirty (30) days after receipt of the audit report or nine (9) months after the end of the Contractor’s fiscal year end.

**PART II: STATE FUNDED**

This part is applicable if the Contractor is a non-state entity as defined by Section 215.97(2), F.S.

In the event that the Contractor expends a total amount of state financial assistance equal to or in excess of \$750,000.00 in any fiscal year of such Contractor, the Contractor must have a State single or project-specific audit for such fiscal year in accordance with Section 215.97, F.S.; applicable rules of the Department of Financial Services; and Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General. Funding Summary indicates state financial assistance awarded through the Council. In determining the state financial assistance expended in its fiscal year, the Contractor shall consider all sources of state financial assistance, including state financial assistance received from the Council, other state agencies, and other nonstate entities. State financial assistance does not include Federal direct or pass-through awards and resources received by a nonstate entity for Federal program matching requirements.

In connection with the audit requirements addressed in Part II, paragraph 1, the Contractor shall ensure that the audit complies with the requirements of Section 215.97(8), F.S. This includes submission of a financial reporting package as defined by Section 215.97(2), F.S., and Chapter 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General.

If the Contractor expends less than \$750,000.00 in state financial assistance in its fiscal year, an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of Section 215.97, F.S., is not required. In the event that the Contractor expends less than \$750,000.00 in state financial assistance in its fiscal year and elects to have an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of Section 215.97, F.S., the cost of the audit must be paid from the nonstate entity's resources (i.e., the cost of such an audit must be paid from the Contractor resources obtained from other than State entities).

An audit conducted in accordance with this part shall cover the entire organization for the organization's fiscal year. Compliance findings related to contracts with the Council shall be based on the contract's requirements, including any applicable rules, regulations, or statutes. The financial statements shall disclose whether or not the matching requirement was met for each applicable contract. All questioned costs and liabilities due to the Council shall be fully disclosed in the audit report with reference to the Council contract involved. If not otherwise disclosed as required by Rule 69I- 5.003, F.A.C., the schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance shall identify expenditures by contract number for each contract with the Council incorporating this Master Contract in effect during the audit period. Financial reporting packages required under this part must be submitted within 45 days after delivery of the audit report, but no later than 12 months after the Contractor's fiscal year end for local governmental entities. Non-profit or for-profit organizations are required to be submitted within 45 days after delivery of the audit report, but no later than nine (9) months after the Contractor's fiscal year end. Notwithstanding the applicability of this portion, the Council retains all right and obligation to monitor and oversee the performance of any contract incorporating this Master Contract as outlined throughout this document and pursuant to law.

### PART III: REPORT SUBMISSION

Copies of reporting packages for audits conducted in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200 and required by Part I of this Financial Compliance Audit Attachment, shall be submitted, when required by 2 CFR §200.512

by or on behalf of the Contractor directly to each of the following:

The Council at the following address:

Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc. 5300 Hiatus Road, Sunrise, FL 33351

Pursuant to 2 CFR §200.512, all other Federal agencies, pass-through entities and others interested in a reporting package and data collection form must obtain it by accessing the Federal Audit Clearinghouse.

The Contractor shall submit a copy of any management letter issued by the auditor, to the Council at the following address:

Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc. 5300 Hiatus Road, Sunrise, FL 33351

Additionally, copies of financial reporting packages required by this Master Contract's Financial Compliance Audit Attachment, Part II shall be submitted by or on behalf of the Contractor directly to each of the following:

The Council at the following address:

Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc.  
5300 Hiatus Road, Sunrise, FL 33351

The Auditor General's Office at the following address:

State of Florida Auditor General Claude Pepper Building, Room 574  
111 West Madison Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1450

Any reports, management letter, or other information required to be submitted to the Council pursuant to this Master Contract and any contract incorporating this Master Contract by reference shall be submitted timely in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200, Florida Statutes, and Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General, as applicable.

Contractors, when submitting financial reporting packages to the Council for audits done in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200 or Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General, should indicate the date that the reporting package was delivered to the Contractor in correspondence accompanying the reporting package.

#### PART IV: RECORD RETENTION

The Contractor shall retain sufficient records demonstrating its compliance with the terms of this Master Contract and any contract incorporating this Master Contract by reference for a period of six (6) years from the date the audit report is issued, and shall allow the Council and/or the Florida Department of Elder Affairs or its designee, the State of Florida Chief Financial Officer (CFO) or Auditor General access to such records upon request. The Contractor shall ensure that audit working papers are made available to the Council and/or the Florida Department of Elder Affairs or its designee, the State of Florida Chief Financial Officer (CFO), or Auditor General upon request for a period of six (6) years from the date the audit report is issued, unless extended in writing by the Council.

END OF ATTACHMENT I

## ATTACHMENT I EXHIBIT 1

### PART I: AUDIT RELATIONSHIP DETERMINATION

Contractors who receive state or federal resources may or may not be subject to the audit requirements of 2 CFR Part 200 and/or Section 215.97, F.S. Contractors who are determined to be recipients or sub-recipients of federal awards and/or state financial assistance may be subject to the audit requirements if the audit threshold requirements set forth in Part I and/or Part II of Exhibit 1 are met. Contractors who have been determined to be vendors are not subject to the audit requirements of 2 CFR §200.38, and/or Section 215.97, F.S. Regardless of whether the audit requirements are met, Contractors who have been determined to be recipients or sub-recipients of Federal awards and/or state financial assistance must comply with applicable programmatic and fiscal compliance requirements.

In accordance with 2 CFR Part 200 and/or Rule 69I-5.006, F.A.C., Contractor has been determined to be:

☐ Vendor not subject to 2 CFR §200.38 and/or Section 215.97, F.S.

☒ Recipient/sub-recipient subject to 2 CFR §200.86 and §200.93 and/or Section 215.97, F.S.

☐ Exempt organization not subject to 2 CFR Part 200 and/or Section 215.97, F.S. For Federal awards, for-profit organizations are exempt; for state financial assistance projects, public universities, community colleges, district school boards, branches of state (Florida) government, and charter schools are exempt. Exempt organizations must comply with all compliance requirements set forth within the contract or award document.

NOTE: If a Contractor is determined to be a recipient/sub-recipient of federal and or state financial assistance and has been approved by the Council to subcontract, they must comply with Section 215.97(7), F.S., and Rule 69I-5.006, F.A.C. [state financial assistance] and 2 CFR §200.330[federal awards].

### PART II: FISCAL COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

**FEDERAL AWARDS OR STATE MATCHING FUNDS ON FEDERAL AWARDS.** Contractors who receive Federal awards, state maintenance of effort funds, or state matching funds on Federal awards and who are determined to be a sub- recipient must comply with the following fiscal laws, rules and regulations:

#### STATES, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND INDIAN TRIBES MUST FOLLOW:

2 CFR §200.416 - §200.417 – Special Considerations for States, Local Governments and Indian Tribes\* 2 CFR §200.201 – Administrative Requirements\*\*

2 CFR §200 Subpart F – Audit Requirements Reference Guide for State Expenditures

Other fiscal requirements set forth in program laws, rules and regulations

#### NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS MUST FOLLOW:

2 CFR §200.400 - §200.411 – Cost Principles\*

2 CFR §200.100 – Administrative Requirements

2 CFR §200 Subpart F – Audit Requirements

Reference Guide for State Expenditures

Other fiscal requirements set forth in program laws, rules and regulations

#### EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS (EVEN IF A PART OF A STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT) MUST FOLLOW:

2 CFR §200.418 – §200.419 – Special Considerations for Institutions of Higher Education\*

2 CFR §200.100 – Administrative Requirements

2 CFR §200 Subpart F – Audit Requirements Reference Guide for State Expenditures

Other fiscal requirements set forth in program laws, rules and regulations

\*Some Federal programs may be exempted from compliance with the Cost Principles Circulars as noted in 2 CFR §200.400(5) (c).

\*\*For funding passed through U.S. Health and Human Services, 45 CFR Part 75; for funding passed through U.S. Department of Education, 34 CFR Part 80.

STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. Contractors who receive state financial assistance and who are determined to be a recipient/sub-recipient must comply with the following fiscal laws, rules and regulations:

Sections 215.97 & 215.971, F.S.

Chapter 69I-5, F.A.C.

State Projects Compliance Supplement Reference Guide for State Expenditures

Other fiscal requirements set forth in program laws, rules and regulations

END OF ATTACHMENT I, EXHIBIT 1

**ATTACHMENT II****CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES**

Council will not award this Master Contract unless Contractor completes the CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES contained in this Attachment. In performance of any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, Contractor provides the following certifications and assurances:

- A. Debarment and Suspension Certification (29 CFR Part 95 and 45 CFR Part 75)**
- B. Certification Regarding Lobbying (29 CFR Part 93 and 45 CFR Part 93)**
- C. Nondiscrimination & Equal Opportunity Assurance (29 CFR Part 37 and 45 CFR Part 80)**
- D. Certification Regarding Public Entity Crimes, Section 287.133, F.S.**
- E. Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN) Funding Restrictions Assurance (Pub. L. 111-117)**
- F. Scrutinized Companies Lists and No Boycott of Israel Certification, section 287.135, F.S.**
- G. Certification Regarding Data Integrity Compliance for Agreements, Grants, Loans and Cooperative Agreements**
- H. Verification of Employment Status Certification**
- I. Records and Documentation**
- J. Certification Regarding Inspection of Public Records**

**A. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS – PRIMARY COVERED TRANSACTION.**

The undersigned Contractor certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

1. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by a Federal department or agency;
2. Have not within a three-year period preceding this Master Contract been convicted or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
3. Are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph A.2. of this certification; and/or
4. Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause of default.

**B. CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING – Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements.**

The undersigned Contractor certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that:

No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan or cooperative agreement.

If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employees of Congress, or employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall also complete and submit Standard Form – LLL, “Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying,” in accordance with its instructions.

The undersigned shall require that language of this certification be included in the documents for all subcontracts at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants and contracts under grants, loans and cooperative agreements) and that all sub-recipients and contractors shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this Master Contract and any contract incorporating this Master Contract by reference was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this Master Contract imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

**C. NON DISCRIMINATION & EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ASSURANCE (29 CFR PART 37 AND 45 CFR PART 80).**

As a condition of the contract, Contractor assures that it will comply fully with the nondiscrimination and equal opportunity provisions of the following laws:

1. Section 188 of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA), (Pub. L. 105-220), which prohibits discrimination against all individuals in the United States on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, or belief, and against beneficiaries on the basis of either citizenship/status as a lawfully admitted immigrant authorized to work in the United States or participation in any WIA Title I-financially assisted program or activity.
2. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Pub. L. 88-352), as amended, and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Regulation of the Department of Health and Human Services (45 CFR Part 80), to the end that, in accordance with Title VI of that Act and the Regulation, no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the Applicant receives Federal financial assistance from the Council.
3. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Pub. L. 93-112), as amended, and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Regulation of the Department of Health and Human Services (45 CFR Part 84), to the end that, in accordance with Section 504 of that Act and the Regulation, no otherwise qualified handicapped individual in the United States shall, solely by reason of his handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the Applicant receives Federal financial assistance from the Council.
4. The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (Pub. L. 94-135), as amended, and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Regulation of the Department of Health and Human Services (45 CFR Part 91), to the end that, in accordance with the Act and the Regulation, no person in the United States shall, on the basis of age, be denied the benefits of, be excluded from participation in, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the Applicant receives Federal financial assistance from the Council.
5. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Pub. L. 92-318), as amended, and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Regulation of the Department of Health and Human Services (45 CFR Part 86), to the end that, in accordance with Title IX and the Regulation, no person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity for which the Applicant receives Federal financial assistance from the Council.
6. The American with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-336), which prohibits discrimination in all employment practices, including job application procedures, hiring, firing, advancement, compensation, training, and other terms, conditions, and privileges of employment. It applies to recruitment, advertising, tenure, layoff, leave, fringe benefits, and all other employment-related activities.
7. Contractor also assures that it will comply with 29 CFR Part 37 and all other regulations implementing the laws listed above. This assurance applies to Contractor's operation of the WIA Title I – financially assisted program or activity, and to all contracts Contractor makes to carry out the WIA Title I – financially



assisted program or activity. Contractor understands that DOE and the United States have the right to seek judicial enforcement of the assurance.

The undersigned shall require that language of this assurance be included in the documents for all subcontracts at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub-recipients and contractors shall provide this assurance accordingly.

**D. CERTIFICATION REGARDING PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES, SECTION 287.133, F.S.**

Contractor hereby certifies that neither it, nor any person or affiliate of Contractor, has been convicted of a Public Entity Crime as defined in Section 287.133, F.S., nor placed on the convicted vendor list.

Contractor understands and agrees that it is required to inform Council immediately upon any change of circumstances regarding this status.

**E. ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS FOR REFORM NOW (ACORN) FUNDING RESTRICTIONS ASSURANCE (Pub. L. 111-117).**

As a condition of the contract, Contractor assures that it will comply fully with the federal funding restrictions pertaining to ACORN and its subsidiaries per the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010, Division E, Section 511 (Pub. L. 111-117). The Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011, Sections 101 and 103 (Pub. L. 111-242), provides that appropriations made under Pub. L. 111-117 are available under the conditions provided by Pub. L. 111-117.

The undersigned shall require that language of this assurance be included in the documents for all subcontracts at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants and contracts under grants, loans and cooperative agreements) and that all sub recipients and contractors shall provide this assurance accordingly.

**F. SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES LISTS AND NO BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL CERTIFICATION, SECTION 287.135, F.S.**

In accordance with section 287.135, F.S., Contractor hereby certifies that it has not been placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List and that it is not participating in a boycott of Israel.

If any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference is in the amount of \$1 million or more, in accordance with the requirements of section 287.135, F.S., Contractor hereby certifies that it is not listed on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List and that it does not have business operations in Cuba or Syria.

Contractor understands that pursuant to section 287.135, F.S., the submission of a false certification may result in the Council terminating this Master Contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference and the submission of a false certification may subject Contractor to civil penalties and attorney fees and costs, including any costs for investigations that led to the finding of false certification.

If Contractor is unable to certify any of the statements in this certification, Contractor shall attach an explanation to this Master Contract.

**G. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DATA INTEGRITY COMPLIANCE FOR AGREEMENTS, GRANTS, LOANS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS**

1. The Contractor and any subcontractors of services under this Master Contract or any contracts or agreements incorporating this Master Contract by reference have financial management systems capable of providing certain information, including: (1) accurate, current, and complete disclosure of the financial results of each grant-funded project or program in accordance with the prescribed reporting requirements; (2) the source and application of funds for all contract supported activities; and (3) the comparison of

outlays with budgeted amounts for each award. The inability to process information in accordance with these requirements could result in a return of grant funds that have not been accounted for properly.

2. Management Information Systems used by the Contractor, subcontractors, or any outside entity on which the Contractor is dependent for data that is to be reported, transmitted, or calculated have been assessed and verified to be capable of processing data accurately, including year-date dependent data. For those systems identified to be non-compliant, Contractors will take immediate action to assure data integrity.

3. If any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference includes the provision of hardware, software, firmware, microcode, or imbedded chip technology, the undersigned warrants that these products are capable of processing year-date dependent data accurately. All versions of these products offered by the Contractor (represented by the undersigned) and purchased by the state will be verified for accuracy and integrity of data prior to transfer.

4. In the event of any decrease in functionality related to time and date related codes and internal subroutines that impede the hardware or software programs from operating properly, the Contractor agrees to immediately make required corrections to restore hardware and software programs to the same level of functionality as warranted herein, at no charge to the state, and without interruption to the ongoing business of the state, time being of the essence.

5. The Contractor and any subcontractors of services under any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference warrant that their policies and procedures include a disaster plan to provide for service delivery to continue in case of an emergency, including emergencies arising from data integrity compliance issues.

#### **H. VERIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT STATUS CERTIFICATION**

As a condition of contracting with the Council, Contractor certifies the use of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by Contractor during the contract term to perform employment duties pursuant to this Master Contract or any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, and that any subcontracts include an express requirement that subcontractors performing work or providing services pursuant to any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference utilize the E-verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the subcontractor during the entire contract term. The Contractor shall require that the language of this certification be included in all sub-agreements, subgrants, and other agreements/contracts and that all Subcontractors shall certify compliance accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this Contract was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this contract and any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference imposed by Circulars A-102 and 2 CFR Part 200 and 215 (formerly OMB Circular A-110).

#### **I. RECORDS AND DOCUMENTATION**

The Contractor agrees to make available to Council staff and/or any party designated by the Council any and all contract related records and documentation. The Contractor shall ensure the collection and maintenance of all program related information and documentation on any such system designated by the Council. Maintenance includes valid exports and backups of all data and systems according to Council standards.

#### **J. CERTIFICATION REGARDING INSPECTION OF PUBLIC RECORDS**

1. In addition to the requirements of Sections 8.1 and 8.2 of this Master Contract, sections 119.0701(3) and (4) F.S., and any other applicable law, if a civil action is commenced as contemplated by section 119.0701(4), F.S., and the Council is named in the civil action, Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold

harmless the Council for any costs incurred by the Council and any attorneys' fees assessed or awarded against the Council from a Public Records Request made pursuant to Chapter 119, F.S., concerning this Master Contract or any contract or agreement incorporating this Master Contract by reference, or services performed thereunder. a. Notwithstanding section 119.0701, F.S., or other Florida law, this section is not applicable to contracts executed between the Council and state agencies or subdivisions defined in section 768.28(2), F.S.

2. Section 119.01(3), F.S., states if public funds are expended by an agency in payment of dues or membership contributions for any person, corporation, foundation, trust, association, group, or other organization, all the financial, business, and membership records of such an entity which pertain to the public agency (Florida Department of Elder Affairs) are public records. Section 119.07, F.S, states that every person who has custody of such a public record shall permit the record to be inspected and copied by any person desiring to do so, under reasonable circumstances.

Additionally, I certify this organization **does** \_\_\_ **does not** \_\_\_ provide for institutional memberships, as referenced in Section J.2. of this Attachment.

Contractor's signature below attests that records pertaining to the dues or membership application by the Council are available for inspection as stated above.

By execution of this agreement, Contractor must include these provisions (A-J) by reference in all related subcontract agreements (if applicable) and Contractor certifies the representations outlined in parts A through J above, are true and correct.

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Signature of Authorized Representative

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Date

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Title

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Name of Contractor

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Address of Contractor

**ATTACHMENT III****ASSURANCES—NON-CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS**

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 45, minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget. Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0043), Washington, DC 20503.

**PLEASE DO NOT RETURN YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, SEND IT TO THE ADDRESS PROVIDED BY THE SPONSORING AGENCY.**

**Note: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.**

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management, and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, and if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) 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; (g) §523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. § 3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.
7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
8. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §1501-1508 and 7324-7328), which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. 276c and 18 U.S.C. §874) and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §327-333), regarding labor standards for federally assisted construction sub agreements.

10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000.00 or more.

11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clear Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, (P.L. 93-523); and (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, (P.L. 93-205).

12. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §1721 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.

13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §469a-1 et seq.).

14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.

15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. §2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.

16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §4801 et seq.), which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.

17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations.

18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations and policies governing this program.

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Signature of Authorized Representative

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Date

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Title

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Name of Contractor

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Address of Contractor

## ATTACHMENT IV

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS  
CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST**

<b>Name of Contractor</b>	County: Broward	PSA10
Contractor Address:	Completed By Contractor:	
Contractor City, State ZIP:	Date:	Contractor Phone:

**PART I. READ THE ATTACHED INSTRUCTIONS FOR ILLUSTRATIVE INFORMATION, WHICH WILL HELP YOU IN THE COMPLETION OF THIS FORM.**

1. Briefly describe the geographic area served by the program/facility and the type of service provided:

2. **POPULATION OF AREA SERVED.** Source of data:

Total #	% White	% Black	% Hispanic	% Other	% Female		

3. **STAFF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED.** Effective date:

Total #	% White	% Black	% Hispanic	% Other	% Female	% Disabled	

4. **CLIENTS CURRENTLY ENROLLED OR REGISTERED.** Effective date:

Total #	% White	% Black	% Hispanic	% Other	% Female	% Disabled	% Over 40

5. **ADVISORY OR GOVERNING BOARD, IF APPLICABLE.**

Total #	% White	% Black	% Hispanic	% Other	% Female	% Disabled	

**PART II. USE A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER FOR ANY EXPLANATIONS REQUIRING MORE SPACE.**

6. Is an Assurance of Compliance on file with Council? If NA or NO, explain.

NA YES NO  
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7. Compare the staff composition to the population. Is staff representative of the population?

If NA or NO, explain.

NA YES NO  
☐ ☐ ☐

8. Compare the client composition to the population. Are race and sex characteristics representative of the Population?

If NA or NO, explain.

NA YES NO  
☐ ☐ ☐

9. Are eligibility requirements for services applied to clients and applicants without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion or disability? If NA or NO, explain.

NA YES NO  
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10. Are all benefits, services and facilities available to applicants and participants in an equally effective manner regardless of race, sex, color, age, national origin, religion or disability? If NA or NO, explain.

NA YES NO  
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11. For in-patient services, are room assignments made without regard to race, color, national origin or disability? If NA or NO, explain.

NA YES NO  
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12. Is the program/facility accessible to non-English speaking clients? If NA or NO, explain.

NA YES NO

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13. Are employees, applicants and participants informed of their protection against discrimination?

If yes, how? Verbal ☐ Written ☐ Poster ☐ If NA or NO, explain.

NA YES NO

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14. Give the number and current status of any discrimination complaints regarding services or employment filed against the program/facility.

NA NUMBER

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15. Is the program/facility physically accessible to mobility, hearing, and sight-impaired individuals? If NA or NO, explain.

NA YES NO

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### PART III. THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS APPLY TO PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES WITH 15 OR MORE EMPLOYEES

16. Has a self-evaluation been conducted to identify any barriers to serving disabled individuals, and to make any necessary modifications? If NO, explain.

YES NO

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17. Is there an established grievance procedure that incorporates due process in the resolution of complaints? If NO, explain.

YES NO

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18. Has a person been designated to coordinate Section 504 compliance activities? If NO, explain.

YES NO

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19. Do recruitment and notification materials advise applicants, employees and participants of nondiscrimination on the basis of disability? If NO, explain.

YES NO

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20. Are auxiliary aids available to assure accessibility of services to hearing and sight impaired individuals? If NO, explain.

YES NO

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### PART IV. FOR PROGRAMS OR FACILITIES WITH 50 OR MORE EMPLOYEES AND FEDERAL CONTRACTS OF \$50,000.00 OR MORE.

21. Do you have a written affirmative action plan? If NO, explain.

YES NO

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DOEA USE ONLY		
Reviewed By		In Compliance: YES NO*
Program Office		*Notice of Corrective Action Sent ____/____/____
Date	Telephone	Response Due ____/____/____
On-Site	Desk Review	Response Received ____/____/____

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST**

1. Describe the geographic service area such as a district, county, city or other locality. If the program/facility serves a specific target population such as adolescents, describe the target population. Also, define the type of service provided.
2. Enter the percent of the population served by race and sex. The population served includes persons in the geographical area for which services are provided such as a city, county or other regional area. Population statistics can be obtained from local chambers of commerce, libraries, or any publication from the 1980 Census containing Florida population statistics. Include the source of your population statistics. (“Other” races include Asian/Pacific Islanders and American Indian/Alaskan Natives.)
3. Enter the total number of full-time staff and their percent by race, sex and disability. Include the effective date of your summary.
4. Enter the total number of clients who are enrolled, registered or currently served by the program or facility, and list their percent by race, sex and disability. Include the date that enrollment was counted.
5. Enter the total number of advisory board members and their percent by race, sex, and disability. If there is no advisory or governing board, leave this section blank.
6. Each recipient of federal financial assistance must have on file an assurance that the program will be conducted in compliance with all nondiscriminatory provisions as required in 45 CFR 80. This is usually a standard part of the contract language for DOE recipients and their sub-grantees, 45 CFR 80.4 (a).
7. Is the race, sex, and national origin of the staff reflective of the general population? For example, if 10% of the population is Hispanic, is there a comparable percentage of Hispanic staff?
8. Where there is a significant variation between the race, sex or ethnic composition of the clients and their availability in the population, the program/facility has the responsibility to determine the reasons for such variation and take whatever action may be necessary to correct any discrimination. Some legitimate disparities may exist when programs are sanctioned to serve target populations such as elderly or disabled persons, 45 CFR 80.3 (b) (6).
9. Do eligibility requirements unlawfully exclude persons in protected groups from the provision of services or employment? Evidence of such may be indicated in staff and client representation (Questions 3 and 4) and also through on-site record analysis of persons who applied but were denied services or employment, 45 CFR 80.3 (a) and 45 CFR 80.1 (b) (2).
10. Participants or clients must be provided services such as medical, nursing and dental care, laboratory services, physical and recreational therapies, counseling and social services without regard to race, sex, color, national origin, religion, age or disability. Courtesy titles, appointment scheduling and accuracy of record keeping must be applied uniformly and without regard to race, sex, color, national origin, religion, age or disability. Entrances, waiting rooms, reception areas, restrooms and other facilities must also be equally available to all clients, 45 CFR 80.3 (b).
11. For in-patient services, residents must be assigned to rooms, wards, etc., without regard to race, color, national origin or disability. Also, residents must not be asked whether they are willing to share accommodations with persons of a different race, color, national origin, or disability, 45 CFR 80.3 (a).
12. The program/facility and all services must be accessible to participants and applicants, including those persons who may not speak English. In geographic areas where a significant population of non-English speaking people live, program accessibility may include the employment of bilingual staff. In other areas, it is sufficient to have a policy or plan for service, such as a current list of names and telephone numbers of bilingual individuals who will assist in the provision of services, 45 CFR 80.3 (a).



13. Programs/facilities must make information regarding the nondiscriminatory provisions of Title VI available to their participants, beneficiaries or any other interested parties. This should include information on their right to file a complaint of discrimination with either the Council, the Florida Department of Elder Affairs or the U.S. Department of HHS. The information may be supplied verbally or in writing to every individual, or may be supplied through the use of an equal opportunity policy poster displayed in a public area of the facility, 45 CFR 80.6 (d).
14. Report number of discrimination complaints filed against the program/facility. Indicate the basis, e.g., race, color, creed, sex, age, national origin, disability, retaliation; the issues involved, e.g., services or employment, placement, termination, etc. Indicate the civil rights law or policy alleged to have been violated along with the name and address of the local, state or federal agency with whom the complaint has been filed. Indicate the current status, e.g., settled, no reasonable cause found, failure to conciliate, failure to cooperate, under review, etc.
15. The program/facility must be physically accessible to disabled individuals. Physical accessibility includes designated parking areas, curb cuts or level approaches, ramps and adequate widths to entrances. The lobby, public telephone, restroom facilities, water fountains, information and admissions offices should be accessible. Door widths and traffic areas of administrative offices, cafeterias, restrooms, recreation areas, counters and serving lines should be observed for accessibility. Elevators should be observed for door width, and Braille or raised numbers. Switches and controls for light, heat, ventilation, fire alarms, and other essentials should be installed at an appropriate height for mobility impaired individuals.
16. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 requires that a recipient of federal financial assistance conduct a self-evaluation to identify any accessibility barriers. Self-evaluation is a four step process:
  - a. With the assistance of a disabled individual/organization, evaluate current practices and policies which do not comply with Section 504.
  - b. Modify policies and practices that do not meet Section 504 requirements.
  - c. Take remedial steps to eliminate any discrimination that has been identified.
  - d. Maintain self-evaluation on file. (This checklist may be used to satisfy this requirement if these four steps have been followed.), 45 CFR 84.6.
17. Programs or facilities that employ 15 or more persons must adopt grievance procedures that incorporate appropriate due process standards and provide for the prompt and equitable resolution of complaints alleging any action prohibited by Section 504. 45 CFR 84.7 (b).
18. Programs or facilities that employ 15 or more persons must designate at least one person to coordinate efforts to comply with Section 504. 45 CFR 84.7 (a).
19. Continuing steps must be taken to notify employees and the public of the program/facility's policy of nondiscrimination on the basis of disability. This includes recruitment material, notices for hearings, newspaper ads, and other appropriate written communication, 45 CFR 84.8 (a).
20. Programs/facilities that employ 15 or more persons must provide appropriate auxiliary aids to persons with impaired sensory, manual or speaking skills where necessary. Auxiliary aids may include, but are not limited to, interpreters for hearing impaired individuals, taped or Braille materials, or any alternative resources that can be used to provide equally effective services, (45 CFR 84.52 (d)).
21. Programs/facilities with 50 or more employees and \$50,000.00 in federal contracts must develop, implement and maintain a written affirmative action compliance program in accordance with Executive Order 11246. 41 CFR 60 and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.

## **SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY**

### **1.0 Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for the use of social media. This policy must be followed in conjunction with the Department's Computer Use Policy #420.10, Chapter 60L-3. Conduct of Employees, Florida Administrative Code, and any other personnel policies regarding employee conduct.

### **2.0 Scope**

This policy applies to employees, contracted employees, consultants, OPS, and volunteers, including all personnel Affiliated with third parties, such as, but not limited to, Area Agencies on Aging and vendors.

Any entity that uses the Department's computer resource systems must comply with this policy. This

Policy applies to use of personal social media accounts accessed from both personal and DOEA owned or leased computers and other wireless communication devices such as cell phones and personal digital assistants.

### **3.0 Policy**

Social media is a term commonly used to describe websites and online tools which allow users to interact with each other by sharing information, opinions, knowledge and interests. Social media includes, but are not limited to blogs, podcasts, discussion forums, Wikis, RSS feeds, video sharing, SMS (texting), social networks like MySpace, Facebook and Twitter, as well as content sharing networks such as flickr and You Tube.

The Department recognizes that social media are powerful communications tools that can be used to enhance services, promote collaboration, provide information and for personal enrichment. The Department respects the right of employees to use these tools as a medium of self-expression. The Department also recognizes that permitting the use of such tools is not without risk, and has developed the following guidelines that employees must observe when using social media.

Please be aware that the Department's official electronic business is primarily conducted via the Department's email system therefore; if employees, contracted employees, consultants, OPS, and volunteers use social media to conduct official Department business then they must provide notice to the public that all communications may be subject to Florida's Public Records law. This includes content posted on an organizations' or entity's page as well as information about the organization's or entity's friends list, all of which may be disclosed pursuant to Chapter 119, Fla. Stats.2010

### **4.0 Guidelines for Employees**

- 4.1 Respect Department time and property: Use of Department computers and other wireless communication devices are designed and intended to assist the employee in the accomplishment of the employee's job assignments. Social networking must not interfere with the employee's timely performance of work obligations. Reasonable use of social media for personal use is permitted during breaks and lunch. Excessive use of social media during work is prohibited and may be grounds for disciplinary action as provided in Chapter 60L-36, Florida Administrative Code
- 4.2 Confidential Information: Employees are prohibited from posting any confidential, proprietary, copyrighted, protected health information (PHI) or otherwise legally protected information or materials on their social networking accounts.
- 4.3 Respectful Communications: State Employees must remember to conduct themselves, on and off the job, in a manner that will not bring discredit or embarrassment to the state, its employees or agents. This includes online activity. See Rule 60L-36.005, Florida Administrative Code. Be

respectful when using social media especially in communications and blogs related to or referencing the Department an affiliate, or partner. Information exchanged on social networking sites can be accessed by vendors, suppliers, and business partners and can be kept on –line, in theory, forever.

- a. Employees are prohibited from using social networking accounts to harass, bully, threaten, libel, malign, defame, disparage, or discriminate against co-workers, managers, vendors or anyone else. Behaviors that constitute harassment and bullying, include, but are not limited to, comments that are derogatory with respect to race, religion, gender ,sexual orientation, color, age, or disability; sexually explicit or suggestive, humiliating, or demeaning comments; threats to stalk, haze, or physically injure another employee
- b. Supervisors, managers and administrators are cautioned to remember that if they “friend” Subordinates, or of other supervisors, manages and administrators they need to maintain the same appropriate professional relationship online as in the office.
- c. Employees are prohibited from writing about, posting pictures of, or otherwise referring to any other employees without their permission.
- d. Employees should refrain from using profane and vulgar language and avoid discussions of conduct that is prohibited by Department policies, such as alcohol or drug use on state property or during work hours.

4.4 Use Personal Email Address Only On Social Networking Sites: Department email address should be used only for work-related communications. The “elderaffairs.org” address attached to your name implies that you are acting on the Department’s behalf and all actions are public and subject to public records laws.

4.5 Remember You Are Responsible For What You Post: You are responsible for any of your online activity conducted either on your own computer or with a Department email address and/ or which can be traced back to the Department’s domain, and/or which uses Department assets, networks, and resources.

4.6 Disclaimers on Personal Sites: If you identify yourself as an employee of the Department, please remember to identify your views and opinions as your own. You must note that the views expressed are your own and do not necessary reflect the views of the Department

4.7 Monitoring: In conjunction with the Department’s Computer Use Policy, the Department reserve the right, at its discretion, to review any employee’s electronic files and messages and usage to the extent necessary to ensure that electronic media and services are being used in compliance with the law and with this and other Department policies.

- a. Employees must understand that anything they post online from any computer is public and employees should not assume that they have a right to privacy with regards to electronic communications that are sent, received, created, accessed, obtained, viewed, or stored on the Department’s systems.

b. As a matter of policy, however, the Department will not systematically monitor an employee's use of social media unless it is necessary for non-investigatory, work-related purposes, or for investigations of allegations of work-related misconduct.

**5.0 Modifications:** The Department reserves the right to modify, discontinue or replace the policy or any term of the policy. The Department will endeavor to give notice of all changes to its Social Media Policy.

**6.0 Enforcement:** Any employee found to have violated this policy may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal, as provided by rule 60L-36.005, Florida Administrative Code.

**7.0 Guidelines for Affiliates Hosting Social Network Sites:** This policy applies to any organization or entity affiliated with the Department of Elder Affairs that chooses to maintain a social networking service using the Department's computer resource system. Please remember that the Department's official electronic business is primarily conducted via the Department's email system and not through social media.

7.1 Development and Maintenance: Organizations or entities affiliated with the Department must use good judgement and professionalism when creating and maintaining a social networking page. Be cognizant that what is posted by the organization reflects on the Department.

7.2 Post Accurate Information: The organization or entity must post accurate Information and promptly correct any misinformation posted.

7.3 Removal of Inappropriate Content: The organization must be responsible for screening and removing content that is offensive, rude, discriminatory, vulgar, libelous, or in any other respect violates this Department policy or its contracts.

7.4 Public Records: All contents on the organization's or entity's page, including information about the organization's friend list, is subject to disclosure under Florida's Public Record Act. Therefore, the organization or entity must post a notice to the public that all communications may be subject to Florida's Public Records Law. This includes content posted on an organizations' or entity's page, as well as information about the organization's friends list, all of which may be disclosed pursuant to Chapter 119, Fla. Stats. 2010.

7.5 Retention of Records: The organization or entity is required to have the capacity to electronically archive or store all communications sent or received on social networking sites that involve Department business.

7.6 Communications: Any communications on any social networking site regarding Department business is subject to Florida's Government in the Sunshine Law. For example, members of a council, board or commission may not engage on any social networking site in a discussion of matters that foreseeably will come before the council, board or committee for official action.

## Provider's State Contracts List

REPORT PERIOD: From

To

**PROVIDER INFORMATION:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

FEID: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

	Contract #	Contract/Program Name	State Agency/Program	Start Date	End Date	Description of Contract Purpose/Types of Services	Contract Manager	Phone #	Contract Amount
1									\$ -
2									\$ -
3									\$ -
4									\$ -
5									\$ -
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19									\$ -
20									\$ -
<b>Total</b>									

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

## ATTACHMENT VII

DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

## BACKGROUND SCREENING

## ATTESTATION OF COMPLIANCE - EMPLOYER

**AUTHORITY: ALL EMPLOYERS** are required to annually submit this form attesting to compliance with the provisions of chapter 435 and section 430.0402 of the Florida Statutes.

The term "employer" means any person or entity required by law to conduct background screenings, including but not limited to, Area Agencies on Aging/Aging and Disability Resource Centers, Lead Agencies, and Service Providers that contract directly or indirectly with the Department of Elder Affairs (DOEA), and any other person or entity which hires employees or has volunteers in service who meet the definition of a direct service provider. See §§ 435.02, 430.0402, Fla. Stat.

A direct service provider is "a person 18 years of age or older who, pursuant to a program to provide services to the elderly, has direct, face-to-face contact with a client while providing services to the client and has access to the client's living areas, funds, personal property, or personal identification information as defined in s. 817.568. The term also includes, but is not limited to, the administrator or a similarly titled person who is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the provider, the financial officer or similarly titled person who is responsible for the financial operations of the provider, coordinators, managers, and supervisors of residential facilities, and volunteers, and any other person seeking employment with a provider who is expected to, or whose responsibilities may require him or her to, provide personal care or services directly to clients or have access to client funds, financial matters, legal matters, personal property, or living areas." § 430.0402(1)(b), Fla. Stat. (2023).

ATTESTATION

As the duly authorized representative of: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Employer)

Located at \_\_\_\_\_  
Street address City State Zip Code

Under penalty of perjury, I, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Representative)

hereby swear or affirm that the above-named employer is in compliance with the provisions of chapter 435 and section 430.0402 of the Florida Statutes, regarding level 2 background screening.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Representative Date

DOEA Form 235, Attestation of Compliance - Employer, Effective October 2023, F.S.

Form available at: <https://elderaffairs.org/about-us/background-screening/background-screening-clearinghousetraining-accessing-the-clearinghouse/>

**ATTACHMENT VIII****CONTRACTOR INFORMATION**

CONTRACT # \_\_\_\_\_ CONTRACT PERIOD: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contractor Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

**Executive Director or Chief Administrator:** \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**President or Head of Governing Body or Board:** \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Person for Program Administration:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Person for Financial and Administrative Records:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Name and title of person(s) authorized to sign contracts:**\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Agency's FEID #: \_\_\_\_\_ Agency's DUNS #: \_\_\_\_\_

Audit(s) are due by the end of the ninth month following the end of the agency's fiscal year.

Contractor Fiscal Year: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT IX**

**Business Associate Agreement**

This Agreement, made as by and between **Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc.** (“Covered Entity”), a Florida corporation, and Name of Contractor (“Business Associate”).

WHEREAS, the Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc. is a Covered Entity as defined in the Privacy Rule adopted pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA Privacy Rules).

WHEREAS, the Business Associate has been retained by the Covered Entity to perform a function, activity, or service on behalf of Covered Entity that requires the Business Associate have access to Protected Health Information (PHI).

WHEREAS, Covered Entity desires to receive satisfactory assurances from the Business Associate that it will comply with the obligations required of business associates by the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH), the Final Rules and any rules or guidance issued by the Secretary from time to time with respect to such security, privacy, use and disclosure requirements.

WHEREAS, the parties wish to set forth their understandings with regard to the use and disclosure of PHI by the Business Associate in performance of its obligations.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, the parties hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. Definitions.

- (a) Breach shall mean the acquisition, access, use or disclosure of protected health information in a manner not permitted under the HIPAA Privacy Rule which compromises the security or privacy of the protected health information. For purposes of this definition, “compromises the security or privacy of the protected health information” means poses a significant risk of financial, reputational, or other harm to the individual.
- (a) HITECH shall mean Title XIII of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), called the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act, codifies and expands on many of the requirements promulgated by the Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) to protect the privacy and security of protected health information (PHI).
- (b) Individual means the person who is the subject of protected health information 45 CFR 160.103 and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 CFR 164.502(g).
- (c) Privacy Officer shall mean Shirley Snipes, 5300 Hiatus Road, Sunrise, FL 33351, 954-745-9567; email: snipess@adrcbroward.org.
- (d) 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.



- (e) Protected Health Information or “PHI” 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.
- (f) Required by Law shall have the same meaning as the term “required by law” in 45 CFR 164.103.
- (g) Secretary shall mean the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services or his designee.
- (h) Security Incident means the attempted or successful unauthorized access, use, disclosure, modification or destruction of electronic PHI relating to the Covered Entity.
- (i) Security Officer shall mean Shirley Snipes, 5300 Hiatus Road, Sunrise, FL 33351, 954-745-9567; email: snipess@adrcbroward.org.
- (j) Security Rule shall mean the Health Insurance Reform: Security Standards at 45 CFR Parts 160, 162 and 164.
- (k) Underlying Agreement shall mean the services agreement executed by the Covered Entity and Business Associate, if any.
- (l) Unsecured PHI means PHI that is not rendered unusable, unreadable or indecipherable to unauthorized individuals through the use of technology or methodology specified by the Secretary in the guidance issued under Section 13402 of Public Law 111-5 on the HHS website (45 CFR 164.402).

## Section 2. Obligations and Activities of Business Associate

- a) Business Associate agrees to not use or disclose PHI other than as permitted or required by this Agreement or as Required by Law.
- b) Business Associate agrees to use appropriate safeguards and comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164 with respect to electronic PHI, to prevent use or disclosure of PHI other than provided for by this Agreement.
- c) Business Associate agrees to mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Business Associate as a result of a use or disclosure of PHI by Business Associate in violation of this Agreement.
- d) Business Associate agrees to comply with the Security Rules, as required by HITECH, in a manner consistent with the Rule and regulations that may be adopted by relevant federal agencies, to keep all electronic PHI in a secure manner, as required under federal law.
- e) Business Associate agrees to report to Covered Entity any use or disclosure of PHI not provided for by this Agreement of which it becomes aware, including breaches of unsecured PHI as required at 45 CFR 164.410, and any Security Incident of which it becomes aware. See “Reporting” contained in this Agreement.
- f) Business Associate agrees, in accordance with 45 CFR 164.502(e)(1)(ii) and 164.308(b)(2), if applicable, to require that any Subcontractors that create, receive, maintain or transmit PHI on behalf

of the Business Associate agree to the same restrictions, conditions, and requirements that apply to the Business Associate with respect to such information.

- g) Business Associate agrees to make available, in the time and manner designated by Covered Entity, PHI in a Designated Record Set, to Covered Entity or, as directed by Covered Entity, to an Individual, as necessary to satisfy Covered Entity's requirements under 45 CFR 164.524.
- h) Business Associate agrees to comply with an individual's request to restrict the disclosure of their personal PHI in a manner consistent with 45 C.F.R. 164.522, except where such use, disclosure or request is required or permitted under applicable law.
- i) Business Associate agrees that when requesting, using or disclosing PHI in accordance with 45 C.F.R. 502(b)(1) that such request, use or disclosure shall be to the minimum extent necessary, including the use of a "limited data set" as defined in 45 C.F.R. 164.514(e)(2) to accomplish the intended purpose of such request, use or disclosure as interpreted under related guidance issued by the Secretary from time to time.
- j) Business Associate agrees to make any amendment(s) to PHI in a Designated Record Set that the Covered Entity directs or agrees to pursuant to 45 CFR 164.526 at the request of Covered Entity or an Individual, and in the time and manner designated by Covered Entity or take other measures as necessary to satisfy covered entity's obligations under 45 C.F.R. 164.526.
- k) Business Associate agrees to make internal practices, books, and records including policies and procedures relating to the use and disclosure of PHI received from, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of, Covered Entity available to the Covered Entity, or at the request of the Covered Entity to the Secretary, in a time and manner designated by Covered Entity for purposes of the Secretary determining Covered Entity's compliance with the HIPAA Rules.
- l) Business Associate agrees to document such disclosures of PHI and information related to such disclosures as would be required for Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 CFR 164.528.
- m) Business Associate agrees to provide to Covered Entity or an Individual, in time and manner designated by Covered Entity, information collected in accordance with this agreement, to permit Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 CFR 164.528.
- n) Business Associate hereby acknowledges and agrees that Covered Entity has notified Business Associate that it is required to comply with the confidentiality, disclosure, breach notification, compliance, and re-disclosure requirements of HITECH, Privacy Rule and the Security Rule to the extent such requirements may be applicable.
- o) Business Associate acknowledges that if it becomes aware of a "pattern of activity or practice" by Covered Entity, or any other Business Associate, that breaches a Business Associate Agreement, but fails to cure that breach, Business Associate shall immediately terminate the relevant agreement, or report the non-compliance to the United States Department of Health and Human Services' Office of Civil Rights.

- p) Business Associate acknowledges that it is subject to compliance audits by the United States Department of Health and Human Services' Office of Civil Rights.
- q) Business Associate shall comply with any and all regulatory requirements which may arise in the future to comply fully with the Privacy Rules, the Security Rule, ARRA, and HITECH, including, but not limited to, restrictions on disclosures to health plans, clarified minimum necessary standards, expanded accounting requirements applicable to electronic health records, revised prohibitions on sales of PHI, and updated marketing and fundraising restrictions. Business Associate shall require that any agent, including a subcontractor, shall also comply with the requirements set forth herein.
- r) Business Associate acknowledges that, pursuant to HITECH, Business Associate, its employees and contractors, and any third party (and their employees, contractors, and further third parties) who may have access to or possession of the Covered Entity's PHI, are subject to regulatory oversight of the various federal and/or state agencies as a Business Associate, and may be subject to both civil and criminal penalties which may arise from violations of this Agreement, the Privacy Rules, the Security Rule, HITECH, and any rules or guidance issued by the Secretary from time to time with respect to such use and disclosure requirements.
- s) Business Associate agrees to provide the Covered Entity with notice of a Breach of Unsecured PHI pursuant to the requirements of 45 CFR 164.402. See "Reporting" contained in this Agreement.
- t) To the extent that Business Associate is to carry out one or more of Covered Entity's obligation(s) under Subpart E of 45 C.F.R. Part 154, Business Associate agrees to comply with the requirements of Subpart E that apply to the Covered Entity in the performance of such obligation(s).
- u) Business Associate agrees to comply with the "Prohibition on Sale of Electronic Health Records or Protected Health Information," as provided in section 13405(d) of Subtitle D (Privacy) of ARRA, and the "Conditions on Certain Contacts as Part of Health Care Operations," as provided in section 13406 of Subtitle D (Privacy) of ARRA and related guidance issued by the Secretary from time to time.

### Section 3. Permitted Uses and Disclosures by Business Associate

- (a) Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, Business Associate may use and/or disclose PHI only in a manner that is necessary to perform functions, activities, or services for, or on behalf of, Covered Entity as specified in the Underlying Agreement, provided that such use or disclosure would not violate Subpart E of 45 C.F.R. Part 164 if done by Covered Entity.
- (b) Business Associate may use or disclose PHI as required by law.
- (c) Business Associate agrees to make uses and disclosures and requests for PHI consistent with Covered Entity's minimum necessary policies and procedures.
- (d) Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, Business Associate may use PHI for the proper management and administration of the Business Associate or to carry out the legal responsibilities of the Business Associate.
- (e) Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, Business Associate may disclose PHI for the proper management and administration of the Business Associate, provided that disclosures are required by law, or Business Associate 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(s) for which it was disclosed to the person, and the person notifies the Business Associate of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached.

#### Section 4. Reporting

As described below, Business Associate shall report to the Covered Entity in writing (a) any use or disclosure of PHI not permitted under 45 CFR section 164, Subpart E, this Agreement, or by law, (b) any Security Incident of which it becomes aware and (c) any Breach of Unsecured PHI in accordance with HITECH, including 42 U.S.C.A. section 17932.

- (a) Reporting Security Incidents or Improper Uses or Disclosures. Business Associate shall make the report to the Covered Entity's Privacy Officer (or to the Security Officer in the event of a Security Incident) within three business days after Business Associate learns of such unauthorized use or disclosure or Security Incident. Business Associate's report shall: (1) identify the nature of the unauthorized use or disclosure or Security Incident including the date of the Security Incident or unauthorized use or disclosure and date of discovery; (2) identify the PHI affected; (3) identify who made or caused the unauthorized use and/or received the unauthorized disclosure and/or participated in the Security Incident, if known; (4) identify what Business Associate has done or shall do to mitigate any deleterious effect of the Breach, unauthorized use or disclosure or Security Incident; (5) identify what corrective action Business Associate has taken or shall take to prevent future similar unauthorized use or disclosure or Security Incident; and (6) provide such other information, including a written report, as reasonably requested by the Privacy Officer or Security Officer. Any Security incident or unauthorized use or disclosure of PHI that is a Breach of Unsecured PHI shall be reported as required under subsection (b) below.
- (a) Notification of a Breach. Pursuant to HITECH, including 42 U.S.C.A. section 17932, and regulations under 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164, as amended, Business Associate shall provide written notice to the Covered Entity's Privacy Officer of any Breach of Unsecured PHI within 3 business days after Business Associate discovers the Breach. Business Associate shall conduct the risk assessment to determine whether a Breach occurred. Business Associate's report to the Covered Entity shall identify or describe: (1) the affected Individual(s) whose Unsecured PHI has been or is reasonably believed to have been accessed, acquired or disclosed; (2) the incident, including the date of the Breach and the date of the discovery of the Breach, if known; (3) who made or caused the Breach/unauthorized use and/or received the unauthorized disclosure; (4) the types of Unsecured PHI involved in the Breach; (5) any specific steps the Individual(s) should take to protect him or herself from potential harm related to the Breach; (6) what the Business Associate is doing to investigate the Breach, to mitigate losses and to protect against further Breaches; (7) contact procedures for how the Individual(s) can obtain further information from Business Associate; and (8) such other information, including the risk assessment analysis prepared by Business Associate, as reasonably requested by the Covered Entity's Privacy Officer.

#### Section 5. Obligations of Covered Entity

- (a) Covered Entity shall provide Business Associate with the notice of privacy practices that Covered Entity produces in accordance with 45 CFR 164.520, as well as any changes to such notice, to the extent that such changes or limitations may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI.

- (a) Covered Entity shall provide Business Associate with any changes in, or revocation of, permission by Individual to use or disclose PHI, if such changes affect Business Associate's permitted or required uses and disclosures under this Agreement.
- (b) Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any restriction to the use or disclosure of PHI that Covered Entity has agreed to or is required to abide by in accordance with 45 CFR 164.522 to the extent that such restriction may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI under this Agreement.
- (c) With respect to any Breach, the Covered Entity shall notify each individual whose Unsecured PHI has been, or is reasonably believed by the Covered Entity to have been accessed, acquired, used or disclosed as a result of such breach, except when law enforcement requires a delay pursuant to 45 CFR 164.412:
  - 1. Without unreasonable delay and in no case later than 60 days after discovery of a breach.
  - 2. By notice in plain language including and to the extent possible: a brief description of what happened, including the date of the Breach and the date of the discovery of the Breach, if known; a description of the types of Unsecured PHI that were involved in the breach; any steps Individual(s) should take to protect themselves from potential harm resulting from the breach; a brief description of what the Covered Entity involved is doing to investigate the Breach, mitigate the harm to Individual(s), and to protect against any further Breaches; and, contact procedures for Individual(s) to ask questions or learn additional information which shall include a toll-free telephone number, an e-mail address, web site or postal address.
  - 3. Use a method of notification that meets the requirements of 45 CFR 164.404(d).
  - 4. Provide notice to the media when required under 45 CFR 164.405 and to the Secretary pursuant to 45 CFR 164.408.

#### Section 6. Permissible Requests by Covered Entity

Covered Entity shall not request Business Associate to use or disclose PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under the Privacy & Security Rule if done by Covered Entity.

#### Section 7. Term and Termination

(a) Term. The Term of this Agreement shall be effective as of the date the Covered Entity signs this Agreement, and shall terminate when all of the PHI provided by Covered Entity to Business Associate, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity, is destroyed or returned to Covered Entity, or, if it is infeasible to return or destroy PHI, protections are extended to such information, in accordance with the termination provisions in this Section.

(b) Termination for Cause. Upon Covered Entity's knowledge of a material breach by Business Associate, Covered Entity shall either (1) provide an opportunity for Business Associate to cure the breach and then terminate the Underlying Agreement if Business Associate does not cure the breach within time period specified by the Covered Entity or (2) terminate the Underlying Agreement immediately. If neither termination nor cure is feasible, Covered Entity shall report the violation to the Secretary.

(c) Effect of Termination. (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this section, upon termination of this Agreement or the Underlying Agreement for any reason, Business Associate shall return or destroy all PHI received from Covered Entity, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered

Entity. This provision shall apply to PHI that is in the possession of subcontractors or agents of Business Associate. Business Associate and subcontractors shall retain no copies of the PHI. (2) In the event that Business Associate determines that returning or destroying the PHI is infeasible Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity notification of the conditions that make return or destruction infeasible. Upon mutual agreement of the Parties, that return or destruction of PHI is infeasible, Business Associate shall extend the protections of this Agreement to such PHI and limit further uses and disclosures of such PHI to those purposes that make the return or destruction infeasible, for so long as Business Associate maintains such PHI.

#### Section 8. Miscellaneous

- a) Regulatory References. A reference in this Agreement to a section in the Privacy & Security Rule means the section as is currently effect or as may be amended from time to time, and for which compliance is required.
- b) Indemnification. Business Associate shall release, defend, indemnify and hold Covered Entity harmless from and against any claims, fees, losses, and costs, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, that Covered Entity may sustain as a result of, or arising out of (i) a breach of this Agreement by Business Associate or its agents or Subcontractors, including, but not limited to, any unauthorized use, disclosure or breach of PHI, (b) Business Associate or its subcontractor's failure to notify any and all parties required to receive notification of any Breach of Unsecured PHI or (c) any negligence or wrongful acts or omissions by Business Associate or its agents or Subcontractors, including without limitation, failure to perform Business Associate's obligations under this Agreement, the Privacy Rule or the Security Rule or any other applicable law or rule. Except to the extent permitted by Section 768.28, F.S., or other Florida law, this Section 8(b) is not applicable to contracts or agreements executed between the Covered Entity and state agencies or subdivisions defined in Section 768.28(2), F.S.
- c) Remedies. The parties acknowledge that breach of this Agreement may cause irreparable harm for which there is no adequate remedy at law. In the event of a breach, or if Covered Entity has actual notice of an intended breach, Covered Entity shall be entitled to a remedy of specific performance and/or injunction refraining Business Associate from violating or further violating this Agreement. The parties agree the election of the Covered Entity to seek injunctive relief and or specific performance of this Agreement does not foreclose or have any effect on any right the Covered Entity may have to recover damages.
- d) Amendment. The parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Agreement and the Underlying Agreement if necessary from time to time as is necessary to comply with the requirements of the Privacy and Security Rules, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, ARRA the HITECH Act, the HIPAA rules and any other applicable laws. Regardless of written amendment to this Agreement or the Underlying Agreement, the parties agree to comply with all applicable laws.
- e) Survival. The respective rights and obligations of Business Associate under this Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement and/or Underlying Agreements, as shall the rights of access and inspection of Business Associate by Covered Entity.
- f) Interpretation. Any ambiguity in this Agreement shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that permits Covered Entity to comply with the Privacy and Security Rules, HIPAA, ARRA, the HITECH Act, the HIPAA Rules and any other applicable law.
- g) Governing Law; Conflict. This agreement shall be enforced and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. Jurisdiction of any litigation with respect to this Agreement shall be in Florida, with venue in a court of competent jurisdiction located in Pinellas County. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of any of the Underlying Agreements, the terms of this Agreement shall control.

- h) Notices. Any notice given under this Agreement must be in writing and delivered via first class mail, via reputable overnight courier service, or in person to the parties' respective addresses as first written above or to such other address as the parties may from time to time designate in writing.
- i) Assigns. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, benefits, duties, or obligations provided herein may be assigned by any party to this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party.
- j) Third Party Beneficiaries. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to create any rights or remedies in any third party.

**Contractor (Business Associate):**

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Official Name of Organization

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Name of Contractor

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Signature of Authorized Representative

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Date

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Address of Contractor

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Phone of Contractor

**Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc. (Covered Entity):**

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Signature of Authorized Representative

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Date

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Printed Name

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Title