

STATE OF MICHIGAN
 DEPARTMENT OF TECHNOLOGY, MANAGEMENT & BUDGET
 PROCUREMENT

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NOTICE OF CONTRACT NO. **071B6600066**
 between
 THE STATE OF MICHIGAN
 and

NAME & ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR	PRIMARY CONTACT	EMAIL
Abramson, Braun and Erfourth, PC. 24825 Little Mack Ave., Suite 100 St. Clair Shores, MI 48080	Janet Braun	JBraun@azwb.com
	PHONE	VENDOR TAX ID # (LAST FOUR DIGITS ONLY)
	(248) 759-4130	9100

STATE CONTACTS	AGENCY	NAME	PHONE	EMAIL
PROGRAM MANAGER	DHHS	Anthony Taylor	(810) 750-9321	TaylorA1@michigan.gov
CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR	DTMB	Dan Stevens	(517) 284-7049	StevensD6@michigan.gov

CONTRACT SUMMARY

DESCRIPTION: Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) – Long Term Care Compliance and Other Health Services Related Audits.			
INITIAL TERM	EFFECTIVE DATE	INITIAL EXPIRATION DATE	AVAILABLE OPTIONS
3 years	April 1, 2016	March 31, 2019	2, 1-year
PAYMENT TERMS	F.O.B.	SHIPPED TO	
NET 45	N/A	N/A	
ALTERNATE PAYMENT OPTIONS			EXTENDED PURCHASING
<input type="checkbox"/> P-card <input type="checkbox"/> Direct Voucher (DV) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
MINIMUM DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS			
N/A			
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION			
THIS IS NOT AN ORDER: This Contract Agreement is awarded on the basis of our inquiry bearing RFP No. 007116B0006847. Orders for delivery will be issued directly by Departments through the issuance of a Purchase Order Form.			
ESTIMATED CONTRACT VALUE AT TIME OF EXECUTION		\$1,793,880.00	

For the Contractor:

[Redacted],
Contract Administrator
[Redacted]

Date

For the State:

Tom Falik,
Services Division Director
State of Michigan

Date



STATE OF MICHIGAN

STANDARD CONTRACT TERMS

This STANDARD CONTRACT (“**Contract**”) is agreed to between the State of Michigan (the “**State**”) and Abramson, Braun and Erfourth, PC (“**Contractor**”), a Michigan corporation. This Contract is effective on April 1, 2016 (“**Effective Date**”), and unless terminated, expires on March 30, 2019.

This Contract may be renewed for up to two additional one year period(s). Renewal must be by written agreement of the parties and will automatically extend the Term of this Contract.

The parties agree as follows:

- 1. Duties of Contractor.** Contractor must perform the services and provide the deliverables described in **Exhibit A – Statement of Work** (the “**Contract Activities**”). An obligation to provide delivery of any commodity is considered a service and is a Contract Activity.

Contractor must furnish all labor, equipment, materials, and supplies necessary for the performance of the Contract Activities, and meet operational standards, unless otherwise specified in Exhibit A.

Contractor must: (a) perform the Contract Activities in a timely, professional, safe, and workmanlike manner consistent with standards in the trade, profession, or industry; (b) meet or exceed the performance and operational standards, and specifications of the Contract; (c) provide all Contract Activities in good quality, with no material defects; (d) not interfere with the State’s operations; (e) obtain and maintain all necessary licenses, permits or other authorizations necessary for the performance of the Contract; (f) cooperate with the State, including the State’s quality assurance personnel, and any third party to achieve the objectives of the Contract; (g) return to the State any State-furnished equipment or other resources in the same condition as when provided when no longer required for the Contract; (h) not make any media releases without prior written authorization from the State; (i) assign to the State any claims resulting from state or federal antitrust violations to the extent that those violations concern materials or services supplied by third parties toward fulfillment of the Contract; (j) comply with all State physical and IT security policies and standards which will be made available upon request; and (k) provide the State priority in performance of the Contract except as mandated by federal disaster response requirements. Any breach under this paragraph is considered a material breach.

Contractor must also be clearly identifiable while on State property by wearing identification issued by the State, and clearly identify themselves whenever making contact with the State.

- 2. Notices.** All notices and other communications required or permitted under this Contract must be in writing and will be considered given and received: (a) when verified by written receipt if sent by courier; (b) when actually received if sent by mail without verification of receipt; or (c) when verified by automated receipt or electronic logs if sent by facsimile or email.

If to State:	If to Contractor:
Dan Stevens	Janet Braun



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3. **Contract Administrator.** The Contract Administrator for each party is the only person authorized to modify any terms and conditions of this Contract (each a “Contract Administrator”):

State: Dan Stevens 525 W. Allegan St., 1 st FLR. NE Lansing, MI. 48909 StevensD6@michigan.gov (517) 284-7049	Contractor: Keith Erfourth 24825 Little Mack Ave, Suite 100 St. Clair Shores, MI 48080 kerfourth@azwb.com (248) 759-4130
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4. **Program Manager.** The Program Manager for each party will monitor and coordinate the day-to-day activities of Contract (each a “Program Manager”):

State: day-to-day	Contractor:
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State: Non day-to-day	Contractor
Shirley Martin 320 So. Walnut Street Lansing, MI 48913 Email: martins@michigan.gov Phone: (517) 241-2305	Keith Erfourth 24825 Little Mack Ave, Suite 100 St. Clair Shores, MI 48080 kerfourth@azwb.com (248) 759-4130
Anthony Taylor 14165 N. Fenton Road Suite 103 Fenton, MI 48430 Email: Taylora1@michigan.gov (810) 750-9321	Janet Braun 24825 Little Mack Ave., Suite 100 St. Clair Shores, MI 48080 jbraun@azwb.com (248) 759-4130

5. **Performance Guarantee.** Contractor must at all times have financial resources sufficient, in the opinion of the State, to ensure performance of the Contract and must provide proof upon request. The State may require a performance bond (as specified in Exhibit A) if, in the opinion of the State, it will ensure performance of the Contract.

6. **Insurance Requirements.** Contractor must maintain the insurances identified below and is responsible for all deductibles. All required insurance must: (a) protect the State from claims that may arise out of, are alleged to arise out of, or result from Contractor's or a subcontractor's performance; (b) be primary and



non-contributing to any comparable liability insurance (including self-insurance) carried by the State; and
(c) be provided by an company with an A.M. Best rating of "A" or better and a financial size of VII or better.



Insurance Type	Additional Requirements
Commercial General Liability Insurance	
<p><u>Minimal Limits:</u> \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence Limit \$1,000,000 Personal & Advertising Injury Limit \$2,000,000 General Aggregate Limit \$2,000,000 Products/Completed Operations</p> <p><u>Deductible Maximum:</u> \$50,000 Each Occurrence</p>	<p>Contractor must have their policy endorsed to add "the State of Michigan, its departments, divisions, agencies, offices, commissions, officers, employees, and agents" as additional insureds using endorsement CG 20 10 11 85, or both CG 2010 07 04 and CG 2037 07 0.</p>
Umbrella or Excess Liability Insurance	
<p><u>Minimal Limits:</u> \$2,000,000 General Aggregate</p>	<p>Contractor must have their policy endorsed to add "the State of Michigan, its departments, divisions, agencies, offices, commissions, officers, employees, and agents" as additional insureds.</p>
Automobile Liability Insurance	
<p><u>Minimal Limits:</u> \$1,000,000 Per Occurrence</p>	
Workers' Compensation Insurance	
<p><u>Minimal Limits:</u> Coverage according to applicable laws governing work activities.</p>	<p>Waiver of subrogation, except where waiver is prohibited by law.</p>
Employers Liability Insurance	
<p><u>Minimal Limits:</u> \$100,000 Each Accident \$100,000 Each Employee by Disease \$500,000 Aggregate Disease.</p>	
Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions) Insurance	
<p><u>Minimal Limits:</u> \$3,000,000 Each Occurrence \$3,000,000 Annual Aggregate</p> <p><u>Deductible Maximum:</u> \$50,000 Per Loss</p>	



If any of the required policies provide **claim-made** coverage, the Contractor must: (a) provide coverage with a retroactive date before the effective date of the contract or the beginning of Contract Activities; (b) maintain coverage and provide evidence of coverage for at least three (3) years after completion of the Contract Activities; and (c) if coverage is canceled or not renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a retroactive date prior to the contract effective date, Contractor must purchase extended reporting coverage for a minimum of three (3) years after completion of work.

Contractor must: (a) provide insurance certificates to the Contract Administrator, containing the agreement or purchase order number, at Contract formation and within 20 calendar days of the expiration date of the applicable policies; (b) require that subcontractors maintain the required insurances contained in this Section; (c) notify the Contract Administrator within 5 business days if any insurance is cancelled; and (d) waive all rights against the State for damages covered by insurance. Failure to maintain the required insurance does not limit this waiver.

This Section is not intended to and is not be construed in any manner as waiving, restricting or limiting the liability of either party for any obligations under this Contract (including any provisions hereof requiring Contractor to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State).

7. **MiDEAL Administrative Fee and Reporting.** Contractor must pay an administrative fee of 1% on all MiDEAL payments made to Contractor under the Contract including transactions with MiDEAL members and other states (including governmental subdivisions and authorized entities). Administrative fee payments must be made by check payable to the State of Michigan and mailed to:

Department of Technology, Management and Budget
Financial Services – Cashier Unit
Lewis Cass Building
320 South Walnut St.
P.O. Box 30681
Lansing, MI 48909

Contractor must submit an itemized purchasing activity report, which includes at a minimum, the name of the purchasing entity and the total dollar volume in sales. Reports should be mailed to DTMB-Procurement.

The administrative fee and purchasing activity report are due within 30 calendar days from the last day of each calendar quarter.

8. **Extended Purchasing Program.** The Contract is extended to MiDEAL members. MiDEAL members include local units of government, school districts, universities, community colleges, and nonprofit hospitals. A current list of MiDEAL members is available at www.michigan.gov/mideal. Upon written agreement between the State and Contractor, this Contract may also be extended to: (a) State of Michigan employees and (b) other states (including governmental subdivisions and authorized entities).

If extended, Contractor must supply all Contract Activities at the established Contract prices and terms. The State reserves the right to negotiate additional discounts based on any increased volume generated by such extensions.

Contractor must submit invoices to, and receive payment from, extended purchasing program members on a direct and individual basis.



9. Independent Contractor. Contractor is an independent contractor and assumes all rights, obligations and liabilities set forth in this Contract. Contractor, its employees, and agents will not be considered employees of the State. No partnership or joint venture relationship is created by virtue of this Contract. Contractor, and not the State, is responsible for the payment of wages, benefits and taxes of Contractor's employees and any subcontractors. Prior performance does not modify Contractor's status as an independent contractor. Contractor hereby acknowledges that the State is and will be the sole and exclusive owner of all right, title, and interest in the Contract Activities and all associated intellectual property rights, if any. Such Contract Activities are works made for hire as defined in Section 101 of the Copyright Act of 1976. To the extent any Contract Activities and related intellectual property do not qualify as works made for hire under the Copyright Act, Contractor will, and hereby does, immediately on its creation, assign, transfer and otherwise convey to the State, irrevocably and in perpetuity, throughout the universe, all right, title and interest in and to the Contract Activities, including all intellectual property rights therein.

Subcontracting. Contractor may not delegate any of its obligations under the Contract without the prior written approval of the State. Contractor must notify the State at least 90 calendar days before the proposed delegation, and provide the State any information it requests to determine whether the delegation is in its best interest. If approved, Contractor must: (a) be the sole point of contact regarding all contractual matters, including payment and charges for all Contract Activities; (b) make all payments to the subcontractor; and (c) incorporate the terms and conditions contained in this Contract in any subcontract with a subcontractor. Contractor remains responsible for the completion of the Contract Activities, compliance with the terms of this Contract, and the acts and omissions of the subcontractor. The State, in its sole discretion, may require the replacement of any subcontractor.

- 10. Staffing.** The State's Contract Administrator may require Contractor to remove or reassign personnel by providing a notice to Contractor.
- 11. Background Checks.** Upon request, Contractor must perform background checks on all employees and subcontractors and its employees prior to their assignment. The scope is at the discretion of the State and documentation must be provided as requested. Contractor is responsible for all costs associated with the requested background checks. The State, in its sole discretion, may also perform background checks.
- 12. Assignment.** Contractor may not assign this Contract to any other party without the prior approval of the State. Upon notice to Contractor, the State, in its sole discretion, may assign in whole or in part, its rights or responsibilities under this Contract to any other party. If the State determines that a novation of the Contract to a third party is necessary, Contractor will agree to the novation, provide all necessary documentation and signatures, and continue to perform, with the third party, its obligations under the Contract.
- 13. Change of Control.** Contractor will notify, at least 90 calendar days before the effective date, the State of a change in Contractor's organizational structure or ownership. For purposes of this Contract, a change in control means any of the following: (a) a sale of more than 50% of Contractor's stock; (b) a sale of substantially all of Contractor's assets; (c) a change in a majority of Contractor's board members; (d) consummation of a merger or consolidation of Contractor with any other entity; (e) a change in ownership through a transaction or series of transactions; (f) or the board (or the stockholders) approves a plan of complete liquidation. A change of control does not include any consolidation or merger effected exclusively to change the domicile of Contractor, or any transaction or series of transactions principally for bona fide equity financing purposes.

In the event of a change of control, Contractor must require the successor to assume this Contract and all of its obligations under this Contract.



14. **Ordering.** Contractor is not authorized to begin performance until receipt of authorization as identified in Exhibit A.

15. **Acceptance.** Contract Activities are subject to inspection and testing by the State within 30 calendar days of the State's receipt of them ("**State Review Period**"), unless otherwise provided in Exhibit A. If the Contract Activities are not fully accepted by the State, the State will notify Contractor by the end of the State Review Period that either: (a) the Contract Activities are accepted, but noted deficiencies must be corrected; or (b) the Contract Activities are rejected. If the State finds material deficiencies, it may: (i) reject the Contract Activities without performing any further inspections; (ii) demand performance at no additional cost; or (iii) terminate this Contract in accordance with Section 22, Termination for Cause.

Within 10 business days from the date of Contractor's receipt of notification of acceptance with deficiencies or rejection of any Contract Activities, Contractor must cure, at no additional cost, the deficiency and deliver unequivocally acceptable Contract Activities to the State. If acceptance with deficiencies or rejection of the Contract Activities impacts the content or delivery of other non-completed Contract Activities, the parties' respective Program Managers must determine an agreed to number of days for re-submission that minimizes the overall impact to the Contract. However, nothing herein affects, alters, or relieves Contractor of its obligations to correct deficiencies in accordance with the time response standards set forth in this Contract.

If Contractor is unable or refuses to correct the deficiency within the time response standards set forth in this Contract, the State may cancel the order in whole or in part. The State, or a third party identified by the State, may perform the Contract Activities and recover the difference between the cost to cure and the Contract price plus an additional 10% administrative fee.

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19. **Terms of Payment.** Invoices must conform to the requirements communicated from time-to-time by the State. All undisputed amounts are payable within 45 days of the State's receipt. Contractor may only charge for Contract Activities performed as specified in Exhibit A. Invoices must include an itemized statement of all charges. The State is exempt from State sales tax for direct purchases and may be exempt from federal excise tax, if Services purchased under this Agreement are for the State's exclusive use. Notwithstanding the foregoing, all prices are inclusive of taxes, and Contractor is responsible for all sales, use and excise taxes, and any other similar taxes, duties and charges of any kind imposed by any federal, state, or local governmental entity on any amounts payable by the State under this Contract.

The State has the right to withhold payment of any disputed amounts until the parties agree as to the validity of the disputed amount. The State will notify Contractor of any dispute within a reasonable time. Payment by the State will not constitute a waiver of any rights as to Contractor's continuing obligations, including claims for deficiencies or substandard Contract Activities. Contractor's acceptance of final payment by the State constitutes a waiver of all claims by Contractor against the State for payment under this Contract, other than those claims previously filed in writing on a timely basis and still disputed.

The State will only disburse payments under this Contract through Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). Contractor must register with the State at <http://www.michigan.gov/cpexpress> to receive electronic fund transfer payments. If Contractor does not register, the State is not liable for failure to provide payment.

Without prejudice to any other right or remedy it may have, the State reserves the right to set off at any time any amount then due and owing to it by Contractor against any amount payable by the State to Contractor under this Contract.



20. **Liquidated Damages.** Liquidated damages, if applicable, will be assessed as described in Exhibit A.
21. **Stop Work Order.** The State may suspend any or all activities under the Contract at any time. The State will provide Contractor a written stop work order detailing the suspension. Contractor must comply with the stop work order upon receipt. Within 90 calendar days, or any longer period agreed to by Contractor, the State will either: (a) issue a notice authorizing Contractor to resume work, or (b) terminate the Contract or purchase order. The State will not pay for Contract Activities, Contractor's lost profits, or any additional compensation during a stop work period.
22. **Termination for Cause.** The State may terminate this Contract for cause, in whole or in part, if Contractor, as determined by the State: (a) endangers the value, integrity, or security of any location, data, or personnel; (b) becomes insolvent, petitions for bankruptcy court proceedings, or has an involuntary bankruptcy proceeding filed against it by any creditor; (c) engages in any conduct that may expose the State to liability; (d) breaches any of its material duties or obligations; or (e) fails to cure a breach within the time stated in a notice of breach. Any reference to specific breaches being material breaches within this Contract will not be construed to mean that other breaches are not material.

If the State terminates this Contract under this Section, the State will issue a termination notice specifying whether Contractor must: (a) cease performance immediately, or (b) continue to perform for a specified period. If it is later determined that Contractor was not in breach of the Contract, the termination will be deemed to have been a Termination for Convenience, effective as of the same date, and the rights and obligations of the parties will be limited to those provided in Section 24, Termination for Convenience.

The State will only pay for amounts due to Contractor for Contract Activities accepted by the State on or before the date of termination, subject to the State's right to set off any amounts owed by the Contractor for the State's reasonable costs in terminating this Contract. The Contractor must pay all reasonable costs incurred by the State in terminating this Contract for cause, including administrative costs, attorneys' fees, court costs, transition costs, and any costs the State incurs to procure the Contract Activities from other sources.

23. **Termination for Convenience.** The State may immediately terminate this Contract in whole or in part without penalty and for any reason, including but not limited to, appropriation or budget shortfalls. The termination notice will specify whether Contractor must: (a) cease performance of the Contract Activities immediately, or (b) continue to perform the Contract Activities in accordance with Section 25, Transition Responsibilities. If the State terminates this Contract for convenience, the State will pay all reasonable costs, as determined by the State, for State approved Transition Responsibilities.
24. **Transition Responsibilities.** Upon termination or expiration of this Contract for any reason, Contractor must, for a period of time specified by the State (not to exceed 180 calendar days), provide all reasonable transition assistance requested by the State, to allow for the expired or terminated portion of the Contract Activities to continue without interruption or adverse effect, and to facilitate the orderly transfer of such Contract Activities to the State or its designees. Such transition assistance may include, but is not limited to: (a) continuing to perform the Contract Activities at the established Contract rates; (b) taking all reasonable and necessary measures to transition performance of the work, including all applicable Contract Activities, training, equipment, software, leases, reports and other documentation, to the State or the State's designee; (c) taking all necessary and appropriate steps, or such other action as the State may direct, to preserve, maintain, protect, or return to the State all materials, data, property, and confidential information provided directly or indirectly to Contractor by any entity, agent, vendor, or employee of the State; (d) transferring title in and delivering to the State, at the State's discretion, all completed or partially completed deliverables prepared under this Contract as of the Contract termination date; and (e) preparing an accurate accounting from which the State and Contractor may reconcile all outstanding accounts



(collectively, “**Transition Responsibilities**”). This Contract will automatically be extended through the end of the transition period.

- 25. General Indemnification.** Contractor must defend, indemnify and hold the State, its departments, divisions, agencies, offices, commissions, officers, and employees harmless, without limitation, from and against any and all actions, claims, losses, liabilities, damages, costs, attorney fees, and expenses (including those required to establish the right to indemnification), arising out of or relating to: (a) any breach by Contractor (or any of Contractor’s employees, agents, subcontractors, or by anyone else for whose acts any of them may be liable) of any of the promises, agreements, representations, warranties, or insurance requirements contained in this Contract; (b) any infringement, misappropriation, or other violation of any intellectual property right or other right of any third party; (c) any bodily injury, death, or damage to real or tangible personal property occurring wholly or in part due to action or inaction by Contractor (or any of Contractor’s employees, agents, subcontractors, or by anyone else for whose acts any of them may be liable); and (d) any acts or omissions of Contractor (or any of Contractor’s employees, agents, subcontractors, or by anyone else for whose acts any of them may be liable).

The State will notify Contractor in writing if indemnification is sought; however, failure to do so will not relieve Contractor, except to the extent that Contractor is materially prejudiced. Contractor must, to the satisfaction of the State, demonstrate its financial ability to carry out these obligations.

The State is entitled to: (i) regular updates on proceeding status; (ii) participate in the defense of the proceeding; (iii) employ its own counsel; and to (iv) retain control of the defense if the State deems necessary. Contractor will not, without the State’s written consent (not to be unreasonably withheld), settle, compromise, or consent to the entry of any judgment in or otherwise seek to terminate any claim, action, or proceeding. To the extent that any State employee, official, or law may be involved or challenged, the State may, at its own expense, control the defense of that portion of the claim.

Any litigation activity on behalf of the State, or any of its subdivisions under this Section, must be coordinated with the Department of Attorney General. An attorney designated to represent the State may not do so until approved by the Michigan Attorney General and appointed as a Special Assistant Attorney General.

- 26. Infringement Remedies.** If, in either party’s opinion, any piece of equipment, software, commodity, or service supplied by Contractor or its subcontractors, or its operation, use or reproduction, is likely to become the subject of a copyright, patent, trademark, or trade secret infringement claim, Contractor must, at its expense: (a) procure for the State the right to continue using the equipment, software, commodity, or service, or if this option is not reasonably available to Contractor, (b) replace or modify the same so that it becomes non-infringing; or (c) accept its return by the State with appropriate credits to the State against Contractor’s charges and reimburse the State for any losses or costs incurred as a consequence of the State ceasing its use and returning it.
- 27. Limitation of Liability.** The State is not liable for consequential, incidental, indirect, or special damages, regardless of the nature of the action.
- 28. Disclosure of Litigation, or Other Proceeding.** Contractor must notify the State within 14 calendar days of receiving notice of any litigation, investigation, arbitration, or other proceeding (collectively, “**Proceeding**”) involving Contractor, a subcontractor, or an officer or director of Contractor or subcontractor, that arises during the term of the Contract, including: (a) a criminal Proceeding; (b) a parole or probation Proceeding; (c) a Proceeding under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act; (d) a civil Proceeding involving: (1) a claim that might reasonably be expected to adversely affect Contractor’s viability or financial stability; or (2) a governmental or public entity’s claim or written allegation of fraud; or (e) a Proceeding involving any license that Contractor is required to possess in order to perform under this Contract.



29. **State Data.** All data and information provided to Contractor by or on behalf of the State, and all data and information derived therefrom, is the exclusive property of the State (“**State Data**”); this definition is to be construed as broadly as possible. Upon request, Contractor must provide to the State, or a third party designated by the State, all State Data within 10 calendar days of the request and in the format requested by the State. Contractor will assume all costs incurred in compiling and supplying State Data. No State Data may be used for any marketing purposes.

30. **State Data.**

- a. Ownership. The State’s data (“**State Data**,” which will be treated by Contractor as Confidential Information) includes: (a) the State’s data collected, used, processed, stored, or generated as the result of the Contract Activities; (b) personally identifiable information (“**PII**”) collected, used, processed, stored, or generated as the result of the Contract Activities, including, without limitation, any information that identifies an individual, such as an individual’s social security number or other government-issued identification number, date of birth, address, telephone number, biometric data, mother’s maiden name, email address, credit card information, or an individual’s name in combination with any other of the elements here listed; and, (c) personal health information (“**PHI**”) collected, used, processed, stored, or generated as the result of the Contract Activities, which is defined under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and its related rules and regulations. State Data is and will remain the sole and exclusive property of the State and all right, title, and interest in the same is reserved by the State. This Section survives the termination of this Contract.
- b. Contractor Use of State Data. Contractor is provided a limited license to State Data for the sole and exclusive purpose of providing the Contract Activities, including a license to collect, process, store, generate, and display State Data only to the extent necessary in the provision of the Contract Activities. Contractor must: (a) keep and maintain State Data in strict confidence, using such degree of care as is appropriate and consistent with its obligations as further described in this Contract and applicable law to avoid unauthorized access, use, disclosure, or loss; (b) use and disclose State Data solely and exclusively for the purpose of providing the Contract Activities, such use and disclosure being in accordance with this Contract, any applicable Statement of Work, and applicable law; and (c) not use, sell, rent, transfer, distribute, or otherwise disclose or make available State Data for Contractor’s own purposes or for the benefit of anyone other than the State without the State’s prior written consent. This Section survives the termination of this Contract.
- c. Extraction of State Data. Contractor must, within five (5) business days of the State’s request, provide the State, without charge and without any conditions or contingencies whatsoever (including but not limited to the payment of any fees due to Contractor), an extract of the State Data in the format specified by the State.
- d. Backup and Recovery of State Data. Unless otherwise specified in Exhibit A, Contractor is responsible for maintaining a backup of State Data and for an orderly and timely recovery of such data. Unless otherwise described in Exhibit A, Contractor must maintain a contemporaneous backup of State Data that can be recovered within two (2) hours at any point in time.
- e. Loss of Data. In the event of any act, error or omission, negligence, misconduct, or breach that compromises or is suspected to compromise the security, confidentiality, or integrity of State Data or the physical, technical, administrative, or organizational safeguards put in place by Contractor that relate to the protection of the security, confidentiality, or integrity of State Data, Contractor must, as applicable: (a) notify the State as soon as practicable but no later than twenty-four (24)



hours of becoming aware of such occurrence; (b) cooperate with the State in investigating the occurrence, including making available all relevant records, logs, files, data reporting, and other materials required to comply with applicable law or as otherwise required by the State; (c) in the case of PII or PHI, at the State's sole election, (i) notify the affected individuals who comprise the PII or PHI as soon as practicable but no later than is required to comply with applicable law, or, in the absence of any legally required notification period, within 5 calendar days of the occurrence; or (ii) reimburse the State for any costs in notifying the affected individuals; (d) in the case of PII, provide third-party credit and identity monitoring services to each of the affected individuals who comprise the PII for the period required to comply with applicable law, or, in the absence of any legally required monitoring services, for no less than twenty-four (24) months following the date of notification to such individuals; (e) perform or take any other actions required to comply with applicable law as a result of the occurrence; (f) without limiting Contractor's obligations of indemnification as further described in this Contract, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State for any and all claims, including reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses incidental thereto, which may be suffered by, accrued against, charged to, or recoverable from the State in connection with the occurrence; (g) be responsible for recreating lost State Data in the manner and on the schedule set by the State without charge to the State; and, (h) provide to the State a detailed plan within 10 calendar days of the occurrence describing the measures Contractor will undertake to prevent a future occurrence. Notification to affected individuals, as described above, must comply with applicable law, be written in plain language, and contain, at a minimum: name and contact information of Contractor's representative; a description of the nature of the loss; a list of the types of data involved; the known or approximate date of the loss; how such loss may affect the affected individual; what steps Contractor has taken to protect the affected individual; what steps the affected individual can take to protect himself or herself; contact information for major credit card reporting agencies; and, information regarding the credit and identity monitoring services to be provided by Contractor. This Section survives the termination of this Contract.

31. Non-Disclosure of Confidential Information. The parties acknowledge that each party may be exposed to or acquire communication or data of the other party that is confidential, privileged communication not intended to be disclosed to third parties. The provisions of this Section survive the termination of this Contract.

- a. Meaning of Confidential Information. For the purposes of this Contract, the term "**Confidential Information**" means all information and documentation of a party that: (a) has been marked "confidential" or with words of similar meaning, at the time of disclosure by such party; (b) if disclosed orally or not marked "confidential" or with words of similar meaning, was subsequently summarized in writing by the disclosing party and marked "confidential" or with words of similar meaning; and, (c) should reasonably be recognized as confidential information of the disclosing party. The term "Confidential Information" does not include any information or documentation that was: (a) subject to disclosure under the Michigan Freedom of Information Act (FOIA); (b) already in the possession of the receiving party without an obligation of confidentiality; (c) developed independently by the receiving party, as demonstrated by the receiving party, without violating the disclosing party's proprietary rights; (d) obtained from a source other than the disclosing party without an obligation of confidentiality; or, (e) publicly available when received, or thereafter became publicly available (other than through any unauthorized disclosure by, through, or on behalf of, the receiving party). For purposes of this Contract, in all cases and for all matters, State Data is deemed to be Confidential Information.
- b. Obligation of Confidentiality. The parties agree to hold all Confidential Information in strict confidence and not to copy, reproduce, sell, transfer, or otherwise dispose of, give or disclose such Confidential Information to third parties other than employees, agents, or subcontractors of a party who have a need to know in connection with this Contract or to use such Confidential Information



for any purposes whatsoever other than the performance of this Contract. The parties agree to advise and require their respective employees, agents, and subcontractors of their obligations to keep all Confidential Information confidential. Disclosure to a subcontractor is permissible where: (a) use of a subcontractor is authorized under this Contract; (b) the disclosure is necessary or otherwise naturally occurs in connection with work that is within the subcontractor's responsibilities; and (c) Contractor obligates the subcontractor in a written contract to maintain the State's Confidential Information in confidence. At the State's request, any employee of Contractor or any subcontractor may be required to execute a separate agreement to be bound by the provisions of this Section.

- c. Cooperation to Prevent Disclosure of Confidential Information. Each party must use its best efforts to assist the other party in identifying and preventing any unauthorized use or disclosure of any Confidential Information. Without limiting the foregoing, each party must advise the other party immediately in the event either party learns or has reason to believe that any person who has had access to Confidential Information has violated or intends to violate the terms of this Contract and each party will cooperate with the other party in seeking injunctive or other equitable relief against any such person.
- d. Remedies for Breach of Obligation of Confidentiality. Each party acknowledges that breach of its obligation of confidentiality may give rise to irreparable injury to the other party, which damage may be inadequately compensable in the form of monetary damages. Accordingly, a party may seek and obtain injunctive relief against the breach or threatened breach of the foregoing undertakings, in addition to any other legal remedies which may be available, to include, in the case of the State, at the sole election of the State, the immediate termination, without liability to the State, of this Contract or any Statement of Work corresponding to the breach or threatened breach.
- e. Surrender of Confidential Information upon Termination. Upon termination of this Contract or a Statement of Work, in whole or in part, each party must, within 5 calendar days from the date of termination, return to the other party any and all Confidential Information received from the other party, or created or received by a party on behalf of the other party, which are in such party's possession, custody, or control; provided, however, that Contractor must return State Data to the State following the timeframe and procedure described further in this Contract. Should Contractor or the State determine that the return of any non-State Data Confidential Information is not feasible, such party must destroy the non-State Data Confidential Information and must certify the same in writing within 5 calendar days from the date of termination to the other party.

32. Data Privacy and Information Security.

- a. Undertaking by Contractor. Without limiting Contractor's obligation of confidentiality as further described, Contractor is responsible for establishing and maintaining a data privacy and information security program, including physical, technical, administrative, and organizational safeguards, that is designed to: (a) ensure the security and confidentiality of the State Data; (b) protect against any anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of the State Data; (c) protect against unauthorized disclosure, access to, or use of the State Data; (d) ensure the proper disposal of State Data; and (e) ensure that all employees, agents, and subcontractors of Contractor, if any, comply with all of the foregoing. In no case will the safeguards of Contractor's data privacy and information security program be less stringent than the safeguards used by the State, and Contractor must at all times comply with all applicable State IT policies and standards, which are available to Contractor upon request.



- b. Audit by Contractor. No less than annually, Contractor must conduct a comprehensive independent third-party audit of its data privacy and information security program and provide such audit findings to the State.
- c. Right of Audit by the State. Without limiting any other audit rights of the State, the State has the right to review Contractor's data privacy and information security program prior to the commencement of Contract Activities and from time to time during the term of this Contract. During the providing of the Contract Activities, on an ongoing basis from time to time and without notice, the State, at its own expense, is entitled to perform, or to have performed, an on-site audit of Contractor's data privacy and information security program. In lieu of an on-site audit, upon request by the State, Contractor agrees to complete, within 45 calendar days of receipt, an audit questionnaire provided by the State regarding Contractor's data privacy and information security program.
- d. Audit Findings. Contractor must implement any required safeguards as identified by the State or by any audit of Contractor's data privacy and information security program.
- e. State's Right to Termination for Deficiencies. The State reserves the right, at its sole election, to immediately terminate this Contract or a Statement of Work without limitation and without liability if the State determines that Contractor fails or has failed to meet its obligations under this Section.

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- 35. Records Maintenance, Inspection, Examination, and Audit.** The State or its designee may audit Contractor to verify compliance with this Contract. Contractor must retain, and provide to the State or its designee and the auditor general upon request, all financial and accounting records related to the Contract through the term of the Contract and for 4 years after the latter of termination, expiration, or final payment under this Contract or any extension ("**Audit Period**"). If an audit, litigation, or other action involving the records is initiated before the end of the Audit Period, Contractor must retain the records until all issues are resolved.

Within 10 calendar days of providing notice, the State and its authorized representatives or designees have the right to enter and inspect Contractor's premises or any other places where Contract Activities are being performed, and examine, copy, and audit all records related to this Contract. Contractor must cooperate and provide reasonable assistance. If any financial errors are revealed, the amount in error must be reflected as a credit or debit on subsequent invoices until the amount is paid or refunded. Any remaining balance at the end of the Contract must be paid or refunded within 45 calendar days.

This Section applies to Contractor, any parent, affiliate, or subsidiary organization of Contractor, and any subcontractor that performs Contract Activities in connection with this Contract.

- 36. Warranties and Representations.** Contractor represents and warrants: (a) Contractor is the owner or licensee of any Contract Activities that it licenses, sells, or develops and Contractor has the rights necessary to convey title, ownership rights, or licensed use; (b) all Contract Activities are delivered free from any security interest, lien, or encumbrance and will continue in that respect; (c) the Contract Activities will not infringe the patent, trademark, copyright, trade secret, or other proprietary rights of any third party; (d) Contractor must assign or otherwise transfer to the State or its designee any manufacturer's warranty for the Contract Activities; (e) the Contract Activities are merchantable and fit for the specific purposes identified in the Contract; (f) the Contract signatory has the authority to enter into this Contract; (g) all information furnished by Contractor in connection with the Contract fairly and accurately represents



Contractor's business, properties, finances, and operations as of the dates covered by the information, and Contractor will inform the State of any material adverse changes; and (h) all information furnished and representations made in connection with the award of this Contract is true, accurate, and complete, and contains no false statements or omits any fact that would make the information misleading. A breach of this Section is considered a material breach of this Contract, which entitles the State to terminate this Contract under Section 22, Termination for Cause.

37. **Conflicts and Ethics.** Contractor will uphold high ethical standards and is prohibited from: (a) holding or acquiring an interest that would conflict with this Contract; (b) doing anything that creates an appearance of impropriety with respect to the award or performance of the Contract; (c) attempting to influence or appearing to influence any State employee by the direct or indirect offer of anything of value; or (d) paying or agreeing to pay any person, other than employees and consultants working for Contractor, any consideration contingent upon the award of the Contract. Contractor must immediately notify the State of any violation or potential violation of these standards. This Section applies to Contractor, any parent, affiliate, or subsidiary organization of Contractor, and any subcontractor that performs Contract Activities in connection with this Contract.
38. **Compliance with Laws.** Contractor must comply with all federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.
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42. **Nondiscrimination.** Under the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act, 1976 PA 453, MCL 37.2101, *et seq.*, and the Persons with Disabilities Civil Rights Act, 1976 PA 220, MCL 37.1101, *et seq.*, Contractor and its subcontractors agree not to discriminate against an employee or applicant for employment with respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, or a matter directly or indirectly related to employment, because of race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, marital status, or mental or physical disability. Breach of this covenant is a material breach of this Contract.
43. **Unfair Labor Practice.** Under MCL 423.324, the State may void any Contract with a Contractor or subcontractor who appears on the Unfair Labor Practice register compiled under MCL 423.322.
44. **Governing Law.** This Contract is governed, construed, and enforced in accordance with Michigan law, excluding choice-of-law principles, and all claims relating to or arising out of this Contract are governed by Michigan law, excluding choice-of-law principles. Any dispute arising from this Contract must be resolved in Michigan Court of Claims. Contractor consents to venue in Ingham County, and waives any objections, such as lack of personal jurisdiction or *forum non conveniens*. Contractor must appoint agents in Michigan to receive service of process.
45. **Non-Exclusivity.** Nothing contained in this Contract is intended nor will be construed as creating any requirements contract with Contractor. This Contract does not restrict the State or its agencies from acquiring similar, equal, or like Contract Activities from other sources.
46. **Force Majeure.** Neither party will be in breach of this Contract because of any failure arising from any disaster or acts of god that are beyond their control and without their fault or negligence. Each party will use commercially reasonable efforts to resume performance. Contractor will not be relieved of a breach or delay caused by its subcontractors. If immediate performance is necessary to ensure public health and safety, the State may immediately contract with a third party.



47. Dispute Resolution. The parties will endeavor to resolve any Contract dispute in accordance with this provision. The dispute will be referred to the parties' respective Contract Administrators or Program Managers. Such referral must include a description of the issues and all supporting documentation. The parties must submit the dispute to a senior executive if unable to resolve the dispute within 15 business days. The parties will continue performing while a dispute is being resolved, unless the dispute precludes performance. A dispute involving payment does not preclude performance.

Litigation to resolve the dispute will not be instituted until after the dispute has been elevated to the parties' senior executive and either concludes that resolution is unlikely, or fails to respond within 15 business days. The parties are not prohibited from instituting formal proceedings: (a) to avoid the expiration of statute of limitations period; (b) to preserve a superior position with respect to creditors; or (c) where a party makes a determination that a temporary restraining order or other injunctive relief is the only adequate remedy. This Section does not limit the State's right to terminate the Contract.

48. Media Releases. News releases (including promotional literature and commercial advertisements) pertaining to the Contract or project to which it relates must not be made without prior written State approval, and then only in accordance with the explicit written instructions of the State.

49. Website Incorporation. The State is not bound by any content on Contractor's website unless expressly incorporated directly into this Contract.

50. Order of Precedence. In the event of a conflict between the terms and conditions of the Contract, the exhibits, a purchase order, or an amendment, the order of precedence is: (a) the purchase order; (b) the amendment; (c) Exhibit A; (d) any other exhibits; and (e) the Contract.

51. Severability. If any part of this Contract is held invalid or unenforceable, by any court of competent jurisdiction, that part will be deemed deleted from this Contract and the severed part will be replaced by agreed upon language that achieves the same or similar objectives. The remaining Contract will continue in full force and effect.

52. Waiver. Failure to enforce any provision of this Contract will not constitute a waiver.

53. Survival. The provisions of this Contract that impose continuing obligations, including warranties and representations, termination, transition, insurance coverage, indemnification, and confidentiality, will survive the expiration or termination of this Contract.

54. Entire Contract and Modification. This Contract is the entire agreement and replaces all previous agreements between the parties for the Contract Activities. This Contract may not be amended except by signed agreement between the parties (a "**Contract Change Notice**").



**EXHIBIT A
STATEMENT OF WORK
CONTRACT ACTIVITIES**

Project Request

This is a Contract for Long Term Care Compliance and Other Health Services Related Audits on behalf of Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), other State Departments and MiDEAL members (authorized local units of government). The Contractor must primarily provide MDHHS services.

Background

A. Long Term Care Compliance Audits

Title XIX of the Social Security Act, enacted in 1965, authorizes Federal grants to states for medical assistance to low income persons who are age 65 or over, blind, disabled, or members of families with dependent children or qualified pregnant women or children. The program (hereinafter referred to as Medicaid) is jointly financed by the State and Federal governments, and administered by the states.

Michigan established its program for Medical Assistance statutorily under Title XIX of the Social Security Act through enactment of Section 105 of P.A. 1966. The Michigan Department of Social Services was designated as the single State agency responsible for the administration of the program. In 1996, this responsibility was transferred by Executive Order to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS).

Rates must be determined for approximately 415 Michigan long-term care institutions receiving Medicaid funds. The cost of providing care to Medicaid recipients who reside in these institutions exceeds one billion dollars annually. The MDHHS implemented new provider reimbursement programs in 1978, 1980, 1985, 1986, and 1990. Rates are set prospectively based on the individual provider's most recent actual costs. Providers also receive supplemental reimbursement for the nurse aide training and testing program that is paid as an add-on to the normal prospective reimbursement rate. The nurse aide training and testing program was mandated by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987. Routine costs used to set normal prospective reimbursement rates and the costs incurred for these special programs are all required to be reported in various forms and schedules included in an annual cost report.

Long Term Care facilities bill Medicaid for services provided in their facilities. Routine services are billed and paid based on the prospective rate that is calculated based on information submitted on annual cost reports. Ancillary services are also billed and paid separately based on a predetermined fee-for-service reimbursement rate. As the payer of last resort, all third party reimbursement must be pursued and identified on the annual cost report.

B. Other Specialized Audits or Reviews

The MDHHS has contracts/agreements with other entities involving the dispersing of State and Federal funds and receipt of services. Audits and/or reviews are necessary to determine financial/program compliance with the contract/agreement and to determine if the entity is operating effectively and efficiently with adequate internal controls in place. The entities involved include, but are not limited to, profit and not-for-profit corporations, local district health departments, qualified health plans and Community Mental Health Service Providers.

Executive Order 1996-1 merged the Medical Services Administration, Department of Mental Health, Department of Community Health and other entities into a new department titled MDHHS. External audits for MDHHS funded programs are the responsibility of the Bureau of Budget and Audit, Office of Audit. Based on the complexities involved with these programs and the tremendous cost involved in providing



these services, it is imperative that the Department review these costs and programs to ensure the following:

- a. that funds are being spent appropriately and in accordance with established laws, rules and regulations;
- b. that services are being provided; and
- c. that the programs are functioning efficiently and effectively.

1.1 Requirements

Contractor must provide Deliverables/Services and staff, and otherwise do all things necessary for or incidental to the performance of work, as set forth below.

The following is a list of the major tasks involved for developing the end product of this project. The Contractor is not, however, constrained from supplementing this listing with additional steps, sub tasks or elements deemed necessary to permit the development of alternative approaches to or the application of proprietary analytical techniques.

A. General Requirements

1. The Contractor must develop an overall plan for executing the project. Essential to the process of this task is the preparation of a sound approach to attaining the objectives of the project (also see Section 1.1.A.3 for Long Term Care Audits).
2. The Contractor must comply with the principles of reimbursement as set forth in the following references:
 - a. Attachment 4.19-D of the State Plan under Title XIX of the Social Security Act at <http://www.mdch.state.mi.us/dch-medicaid/manuals/MichiganStatePlan/MichiganStatePlan.pdf>.
 - b. Michigan Medical Assistance Program Long Term Care Manual and related Medical Assistance Program Bulletins at http://michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71551_2945_5100-87572--,00.html.
 - c. CMS Publication 15-1 (Provider Reimbursement Manual) and applicable federal regulations at <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/Paper-Based-Manuals.html>.
 - d. Cost Reporting Forms and Instructions (Forms 1578 and 1579) and Supplemental Schedules as necessary at http://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71551_2945_42542_42543_42546_42551-20345--,00.html.
3. For the Long-Term Care Audit Process in Section 1.1.B, the Contractor must provide the following (also see Section 1.1.A.1):
 - a. Flow chart describing the methodology to be employed.
 - b. Detailed description of the audit techniques and criteria to be employed.
 - c. Contractor must comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) requirements and Exhibit D including the following.
 - d. The Contractor must not share any protected health data and information provided by MDHHS that falls within HIPAA requirements except as permitted or required by applicable law; or to a subcontractor as appropriate under this agreement.



- e. The Contractor will ensure that any subcontractor will have the same obligations as the Contractor not to share any protected health data and information from MDHHS that falls under HIPAA requirements in the terms and conditions of the subcontract.
- f. The Contractor must only use the protected health data and information for the purposes of this agreement.
- g. The Contractor must have written policies and procedures addressing the use of protected health data and information that falls under the HIPAA requirements. The policies and procedures must meet all applicable federal and state requirements including the HIPAA regulations. These policies and procedures must include restricting access to the protected health data and information by the Contractor's employees.
- h. The Contractor must have a policy and procedure to immediately report to the MDHHS any suspected or confirmed unauthorized use or disclosure of protected health data and information that falls under the HIPAA requirements of which the Contractor becomes aware. The Contractor will work with MDHHS to mitigate the breach, and will provide assurances to MDHHS of corrective actions to prevent further unauthorized uses or disclosures.
- i. Failure to comply with any of these contractual requirements may result in the termination of this agreement in accordance with Part II, Section V. Agreement Termination of Exhibit D and Contract Terms Section 23.
- j. In accordance with HIPAA requirements, the Contractor is liable for any claim, loss or damage relating to unauthorized use or disclosure of protected health data and information by the Contractor received from MDHHS or any other source.
- k. The Contractor must enter into a Business Associate Agreement (Exhibit D) should MDHHS determine such an agreement is required under HIPAA.

B. Long Term Care Audit Process

- 1. The Program Manager will forward cost reports and other audit information to the Contractor as soon as they become available to the Program Manager. The cost report will be transmitted electronically, either on a CD (compact disk) or as an e-mail attachment. Hard copies of the cost report will be furnished for reconciliation purposes.
- 2. The Program Manager will establish the scope of the audit and the selection of accounts for detailed testing. Should the Contractor discover a problem in the course of an audit with an account having potential material reimbursement impact that was not selected, the Contractor will inform the Program Manager of the situation immediately. The Contractor will expand the scope to include this account or area unless the Program Manager decides that it should not be reviewed.
- 3. The Contractor will make audit appointments. Appointments will be confirmed by certified letter to the provider, with a copy to the Program Manager. The Contractor will attempt to schedule each audit within 15 days of the receipt of each assignment. The Program Manager is to be notified of the starting date of each audit.
- 4. The Contractor will utilize MDHHS audit programs for Long Term Care providers and Home Offices. Long Term Care providers vary in size, complexity, scope of operations, and services they provide. They also vary in terms of the number and type of other entities to which they are affiliated. Because of



these variations, the audit programs are intended to be utilized as a guide. They are not to be construed as an absolute limit on the scope or extent of testing to be performed should it become necessary to utilize different procedures in order to fully accomplish the audit objectives.

All of the Contractor's completed audits will contain adequate testing of the provider's accounting and statistical records to provide reasonable assurances and verification of the following:

- a. Mathematical accuracy of the cost report.
 - b. Proper classification of costs on the cost report.
 - c. Accurate statistics used in cost finding.
 - d. Proper compliance with the Medicaid allowable cost principles.
6. The Contractor's audit work papers developed during the audit must be legible and in sufficient detail to support the work performed and what was found. Work papers must include a purpose and identify the source of the information or documentation that was received. Conclusions reached must be clearly explained, well documented, and include the specific citation that serves as the authority for the adjustment.
7. The Contractor will bring audit findings to the provider's attention as they are discovered during the course of the audit, and again in total, prior to conducting the exit conference.
8. The Program Manager or designee will review and approve the audit work before the exit conference is conducted with the provider. If at all possible, the audit work will be reviewed on-site as the audit progresses.
9. The Contractor will schedule and conduct an exit conference with appropriate representatives of the provider upon completion of the fieldwork and applicable audit reviews. The MDHHS Program Manager and/or designee may attend the conference. If the provider furnishes additional documentation at the exit conference, the Contractor will evaluate the evidence and clearly explain it in the audit work papers. At the conclusion of the conference, the Contractor will prepare a brief memorandum summarizing the exit conference. The memorandum must indicate who was in attendance, the date and location of the meeting, the provider's position on contested findings, and the issues upon which the parties are in agreement. At the conclusion of the exit conference, the provider's representatives should have a clear understanding of the adjustments that are being proposed and the basis for those findings. Copies of all pertinent work papers and cost reporting schedules are to be furnished to the provider at the conference.
10. After the audit has been completed, the Contractor will issue a formal notice (in a format approved by MDHHS Program Manager) to the provider's designated representative(s) of the results of the audit. The notice will be sent by certified mail and be designated as the "Preliminary Summary of Adjustments." The notice will include a summation of the results of the exit conference, a description of the proposed adjustments, the authority of the adjustments, copies of pertinent cost reporting forms incorporating the adjustments, and instructions for requesting an Area Office Conference for those issues that the provider's representatives do not agree with.
11. The Program Manager will establish time frames for completing each assignment. The Contractor will have a maximum of 75 days from the date of delivery of each cost report to complete the assignment. An assignment is considered complete upon the Program Manager's receipt and acceptance of the audit file and separate audit reporting packages. No extension will be allowed beyond the 75-day maximum unless



specifically approved by the MDHHS Program Manager or designee. All requests for extensions must be made in writing and set forth the reasons for the request. Should the Contractor fail to complete an assignment within the established timeframe, the MDHHS Program Manager, may at their sole discretion, reduce the Contractor's payment by 15 percent for each 15 day period or portion thereof that exceeds the 75-day limit.

12. The Contractor must remove any protected health data and information gathered in the performance of required audits that falls within HIPAA requirements from the audit reporting package before forwarding to the Program Manager (also see Section 1.1.A.4).

13. The Contractor will complete all assignments and make the appropriate revisions to the filed cost reports electronically using the cost report template developed by MDHHS. Adjustments and changes to the filed cost report must be completed, validated, and errors corrected prior to conducting the exit conference with the provider. The Contractor must have the necessary automation capabilities to complete the assignment in the automated format. The current applications are compatible with recent versions of Microsoft Windows and Office. Auditors in the field must have a laptop computer with capabilities to run these applications and to be able to send and receive e-mail messages while on-site. In addition, the Contractor may be required to install and become proficient with a standard State mandated auditing software program.

14. The Contractor and professional audit staff assigned to this project will occasionally be required to participate and testify in administrative hearings or court proceedings for providers that disagree with the audit conclusions.

15. The Contractor will perform audits in accordance with the requirements specified in this Contract. However, if a situation is encountered during the audit that is not specifically addressed in this Contract, the Contractor is expected to pursue the issue and communicate their findings and conclusions to the MDHHS Program Manager.

1.2 Transition

End of Contract Conversion Responsibility: At Contract expiration or termination, the Contractor must work with State personnel and other contractors, if applicable, to convert or transition all Contract Activities, services and data into an acceptable format for uploading into or importing (also see Standard Contract Terms, Sections 25 and 32.e). The Contractor must work with the State and/or contractor during implementation of the transition plan to effect an orderly transition to the new contractor if applicable. The Contractor must allow as many personnel as practicable to attend meetings and receive hardcopy and/or electronic files (excel, PDF, etc.) to help maintain the continuity and consistency of the services required by the Contract. Contractor will provide to the State and other contractor's documents in either a PDF, excel or word format.

2.1 Acceptance, Inspection and Testing

The following criteria will be used by the State to determine Acceptance of the Services or Deliverables provided under this SOW:

1. Ability to maintain a level of knowledgeable staff adequate to complete audits within the assigned time frames in an effective and efficient manner. The Contract staff must meet the minimum educational requirements for State auditors of 32 term or 24 semester hours of accounting (see Section 3.4.2). The Program Manager may make exceptions on an individual basis.
2. Ability of audit staff to develop legible work papers in sufficient detail to support the work performed, and conclusions reached and contain the authority (special citation) used to determine the conclusions.



3. Ability to demonstrate an understanding of the principles of reimbursement as set forth in the following references:
 - a. Attachment 4.19-D of the State Plan under Title XIX of the Social Security Act.
 - b. Michigan Medical Assistance Program Long Term Care Manual and related Medical Assistance Program Bulletins.
 - c. CMS Publication 15-1 (Provider Reimbursement Manual) and applicable federal regulations.
 - d. Cost Reporting Forms and Instructions (Forms 1578 and 1579) and Supplemental Schedules.
4. Ability to maintain adequate supervisory staff in order to ensure appropriate audit staffing requirements are met, and to ensure appropriate communication with MDHHS staff as the audits progress.
5. Ability of the Contract staff to communicate audit issues to the Program Manager and provider so they can be resolved in a timely and professional manner.
6. Ability to schedule audit appointments within the timeframes established for the Long Term Care audit assignments.
7. Ability to perform the audit steps included in the MDHHS audit programs.
8. Ability to prepare audit work papers that support adequate testing of the provider's accounting records.
9. Ability to make the appropriate revisions to the filed cost report electronically using the cost report template developed by MDHHS (Forms 1578 and 1579).
10. Ability to provide professional audit staff that will occasionally be required to participate and testify in administrative hearings or court proceedings.
11. Ability to complete all required audit procedures within 75 days from the date of delivery of each Long Term Care cost report.
12. Ability to provide additional trained audit staff for other specialized audit work and/or special projects as needed.
13. Ability to schedule and conduct an exit conference with the appropriate representatives and complete all related correspondence required for the Long Term Care assignment.
14. Ability to provide a continuing education program for audit staff to stay current on all applicable laws and regulations.
15. Ability to submit audit findings in a neatly organized audit file package in the required format for each audit type.
16. Ability to adapt MDHHS audit program for Long Term Care Providers should it become necessary to utilize different procedures to fully accomplish the audit objectives.



2.2 Final Acceptance

Unless otherwise stated in Exhibit A, Statement of Work or Purchase Order, "Final Acceptance" of each Deliverable must occur when each Deliverable/Service has been approved by the State following the State Review Periods identified in Section 16 of Contract Terms. Payment will be made for Deliverables received and accepted. Upon acceptance of a Service, the State will pay for all Services provided during the State Review Period that conformed to the acceptance criteria.

3. Staffing

3.1 Contractor Representative

The Contractor must appoint individuals, specifically assigned to State of Michigan accounts, that will respond to State inquiries regarding the Contract Activities, answering questions related to ordering and delivery, etc. (the "Contractor Representative"). The Contractor Representative is Keith Erfourth.

The Contractor must notify the Contract Administrator at least 90 calendar days before removing or assigning a new Contractor Representative.

3.2 Customer Service Number

The Contractor's business phone number for the State to make contact with the Contractor Representative is 248-759-4130. The Contractor Representative must be available for calls during the hours of 8 am to 5 pm EST. Each auditor will have cell phones available at all times. If necessary, a toll free number will be procured.

3.3 Work Hours

The Contractor must provide Contract Activities during the State's normal working hours Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST, and possible night and weekend hours depending on the requirements of the project.

3.4 Key Personnel

1. The Contractor must appoint one Manager who will be directly responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Contract ("Key Personnel"). Key Personnel must be specifically assigned to the State account, be knowledgeable on the contractual requirements, and respond to State inquiries within 48 hours.

Manager Janet Braun will be the contact for any day-to-day issues that may arise.

2. Contractor must provide Audit Staff must meet the minimum educational requirements for State auditors of 32 term or 24 semester hours of accounting. The Program Manager may make exceptions on an individual basis.

3. Key Personnel locations and functions follow:

- a. Janet Braun, President, on-site basis. Janet will oversee all planning and scheduling of audits with staff and providers. Janet will perform second-level review of all audit adjustments along with work papers and associated documents. Janet will resolve technical and delivery of service issues and will assist the Senior Audit Managers with any audit issues
- b. Keith Erfourth, Vice-President, on-site basis. Keith will work with Janet Braun on overseeing all planning and scheduling of provider audits and second-level review of all audit adjustments, audit work papers and any associated documents.



- c. Timothy Cooley, Senior Audit Manager, will train staff auditors and respond to questions from MDHHS staff. Timothy will be responsible for chief correspondence with the providers and their staff, first level reviewer of all work papers and reports, and responsible for all entrance and exit meetings with providers.

4. The State has the right to recommend and approve in writing the initial assignment, as well as any proposed reassignment or replacement, of any Key Personnel. Before assigning an individual to any Key Personnel position, Contractor will notify the State of the proposed assignment, introduce the individual to the State's Program Manager, and provide the State with a resume and any other information about the individual reasonably requested by the State. The State reserves the right to interview the individual before granting written approval. In the event the State finds a proposed individual unacceptable, the State will provide a written explanation including reasonable detail outlining the reasons for the rejection. The State may require a 30-calendar day training period for replacement personnel.

5. Contractor will not remove any Key Personnel from their assigned roles on this Contract without the prior written consent of the State. The Contractor's removal of Key Personnel without the prior written consent of the State is an unauthorized removal ("**Unauthorized Removal**"). An Unauthorized Removal does not include replacing Key Personnel for reasons beyond the reasonable control of Contractor, including illness, disability, leave of absence, personal emergency circumstances, resignation, or for cause termination of the Key Personnel's employment. Any Unauthorized Removal may be considered by the State to be a material breach of this Contract, in respect of which the State may elect to terminate this Contract for cause under Termination for Cause in the Standard Terms.

6. It is further acknowledged that an Unauthorized Removal will interfere with the timely and proper completion of this Contract, to the loss and damage of the State, and that it would be impracticable and extremely difficult to fix the actual damage sustained by the State as a result of any Unauthorized Removal. Therefore, Contractor and the State agree that in the case of any Unauthorized Removal in respect of which the State does not elect to exercise its rights under Termination for Cause, Contractor will issue to the State the corresponding credits set forth below (each, an "Unauthorized Removal Credit"):

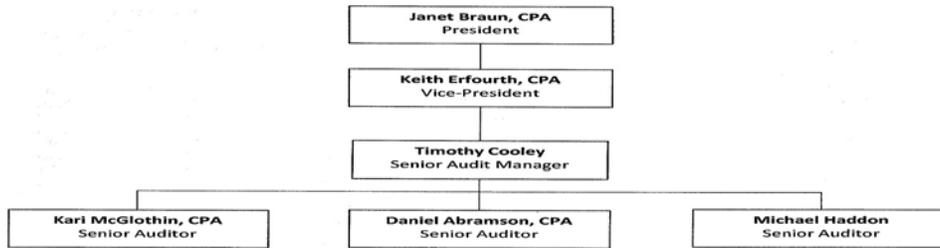
(i) For the Unauthorized Removal of any Key Personnel designated in the applicable Statement of Work, the credit amount will be \$25,000.00 per individual if Contractor identifies a replacement approved by the State and assigns the replacement to shadow the Key Personnel who is leaving for a period of at least 30 calendar days before the Key Personnel's removal.

(ii) If Contractor fails to assign a replacement to shadow the removed Key Personnel for at least 30 calendar days, in addition to the \$25,000.00 credit specified above, Contractor will credit the State \$833.33 per calendar day for each day of the 30 calendar-day shadow period that the replacement Key Personnel does not shadow the removed Key Personnel, up to \$25,000.00 maximum per individual. The total Unauthorized Removal Credits that may be assessed per Unauthorized Removal and failure to provide 30 calendar days of shadowing will not exceed \$50,000.00 per individual.

Contractor acknowledges and agrees that each of the Unauthorized Removal Credits assessed above: (i) is a reasonable estimate of and compensation for the anticipated or actual harm to the State that may arise from the Unauthorized Removal, which would be impossible or very difficult to accurately estimate; and (ii) may, at the State's option, be credited or set off against any fees or other charges payable to Contractor under this Contract.



3.5 Organizational Chart



3.6 Disclosure of Subcontractors

If the Contractor intends to utilize subcontractors, the Contractor must disclose the following:

The legal business name; address; telephone number; a description of subcontractor’s organization and the services it will provide; and information concerning subcontractor’s ability to provide the Contract Activities.

The relationship of the subcontractor to the Contractor.

Whether the Contractor has a previous working experience with the subcontractor

A complete description of the Contract Activities that will be performed or provided by the subcontractor.

Of the total Contract, the price of the subcontractor’s work.

3.7 Security

On a case-by-case basis, the State may investigate the Contractor's personnel before they may have access to State facilities and systems. The scope of the background check is at the discretion of the State and the results will be used to determine Contractor personnel eligibility for working within State facilities and systems. The investigations will include Michigan State Police Background checks (ICHAT) and may include the



National Crime Information Center (NCIC) Finger Prints. Proposed Contractor personnel may be required to complete and submit an RI-8 Fingerprint Card for the NCIC Finger Print Check. Any request for background checks will be initiated by the State and will be reasonably related to the type of work requested.

All Contractor personnel must comply with the State's security and acceptable use policies for State IT equipment and resources at http://www.michigan.gov/dtmb/0,4568,7-150-56355_56579_56755---,00.html. Furthermore, Contractor personnel must agree to the State's security and acceptable use policies before the Contractor personnel will be accepted as a resource to perform work for the State. The Contractor must present these documents to the prospective employee before the Contractor presents the individual to the State as a proposed resource. Contractor staff must comply with all Physical Security procedures in place within the facilities where they are working.

4.1 Meetings

The Contractor will meet with the Program Manager quarterly to give status updates on all outstanding and completed audits. The Program Manager may increase or decrease the frequency of the status update meetings depending on the overall performance of the Contract.

4.2 Reporting

The Contractor must submit, the following written reports:

1. Packages – Long Term Care Assignments

- a. For each audit, the Contractor will be expected to submit their findings in a neatly organized bound package in the order and format requested by the Program Manager. At a minimum, the package must include the following:
 - (1) Engagement letter
 - (2) Filed Cost Report
 - (3) Revised Cost Report (including all Supplemental Cost Reporting forms). A disk saved in a text file.
 - (4) Preliminary Summary of Audit Adjustment Notice
 - (5) Average Borrowings Schedule
 - (6) Exit Conference Memorandum of Understanding
 - (7) Audit Program
 - (8) Memo for each section of the audit program summarizing the work performed, findings, and areas of major concern
 - (9) Audit work papers (electronic preparation preferred)
 - (10) Form signed by the provider authorizing release of the information (when required)



- b. Audit acceptance letter for each audit indicating that the Contractor has completed the required procedures in order to establish that the cost of routine services were determined in accordance with the allowable cost principles of reimbursement.
- c. A final statement indicating that the terms of the Contract have been fulfilled.

2. Packages – Other Entities

For entities other than long-term care providers, the Contractor will be expected to submit their findings in a neatly organized bound package in the order and format requested by the Program Manager. The contents of the package will be dependent on the type of assignment. The Contractor may also be required to develop or assist in the development of the audit objectives and the audit program.

5. Ordering

5.1 Authorizing Document

The appropriate authorizing document for the Contract will be a signed Blanket Purchase Order as well as an Agency issued Purchase Order.

6. Invoice and Payment

6.1 Invoice Requirements

All invoices submitted to the State must include: (a) date; (b) purchase order; (c) quantity; (d) description of the Contract Activities; (e) unit price; (f) shipping cost (if any); and (g) total price. Overtime, holiday pay, and travel expenses will not be paid.



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Long Term Care Compliance and Other Health Services Related Audits

**EXHIBIT B
RESERVED**



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**EXHIBIT C
 PRICING**

1. Price proposals must include all costs, including but not limited to, any one-time or set-up charges, fees, and potential costs that Contractor may charge the State (e.g., shipping and handling, per piece pricing, and palletizing)
2. Prompt Payment Terms: 2NET15 and 1NET30.
3. Pricing Table.

Deliverable	Estimated Hours	# of Staff Requested	Months	Hourly Price not to exceed (Per Auditor)	Grand Total
Auditors	906 Per Month	6	36	\$55	\$1,793,880



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EXHIBIT D
HIPAA Addendum

HIPAA BUSINESS ASSOCIATE ADDENDUM

[Rev. 9-20-13]

The parties to this Business Associate Addendum (Addendum) are the State of Michigan, acting by and through the Department of Technology, Management and Budget, on behalf of Department of Health and Human Services (State) and Abramson, Braun and Erfourth, PC. (Contractor). This Addendum supplements and is made a part of the existing contracts between the parties including the following Contract(s): Long Term Care Compliance Audits #071B6600066 (Contract).

For purposes of this Addendum, the State is (check one):

- Covered Entity (CE)
- Business Associate (Associate)

and the Contractor is (check one):

- Covered Entity (CE)
- Business Associate (Associate)

RECITALS

- A. Under the terms of the Contract, CE wishes to disclose certain information to Associate, some of which may constitute Protected Health Information or Personally Identifiable Information (collectively, Protected Information). In consideration of the receipt of such information, Associate agrees to protect the privacy and security of the information as set forth in this Addendum.
- B. CE and Associate intend to protect the privacy and provide for the security of Protected Information disclosed to Associate under the Contract in compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191 (HIPAA), the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH Act), Public Law 111-5, regulations promulgated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) (HIPAA Rules) and other applicable laws, as amended.
- C. As part of the HIPAA Rules, the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule (defined below) require CE to enter into a contract containing specific requirements with Associate prior to the disclosure of Protected Health Information, as set forth in, but not limited to, 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164 and the HITECH Act, and as otherwise contained in this Addendum.

In consideration of the mutual promises below and the exchange of information pursuant to this Addendum, the parties agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

a. Except as otherwise defined herein, capitalized terms in this Addendum have the same meaning as those terms under HIPAA, the HITECH Act, and the HIPAA Rules.

b. "Agent" has the same meaning given to the term under the federal common law of agency.

c. "Agreement" means the Contract and this Addendum, as read together.

d. "Breach" means the acquisition, access, Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information or Personal Identifying Information in a manner not permitted under the Privacy Rule or the Michigan Identify Theft Protection Act, as applicable, which compromises the security or privacy of such information.

e. "Contract" means the underlying written agreement or purchase order between the parties for the goods or services to which this Addendum is added. Contract also includes all amendments and addendums to the original contract, both effective before and effective after the date of this Addendum.

f. "Designated Record Set" has the same meaning as the term under 45 CFR §164.501.

g. "Disclosure" means, the release, transfer, provision of access to, or divulging of Protected Information in any manner outside the entity holding the information.

h. "Electronic Health Record" has the same meaning as the term under Section 13400 of the HITECH Act.

i. "Electronic Protected Health Information" or "Electronic PHI" has the same meaning as the term under 45 CFR §160.103, limited to the information created, received, maintained or transmitted by Associate on behalf of CE.

j. "HIPAA Rules" means the Privacy, Security, Breach Notification, and Enforcement Rules at 45 CFR Part 160 and Part 164.

k. “HITECH Act” means The Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act, part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, specifically Division A: Title XIII Subtitle D—Privacy, and its corresponding regulations as enacted under the authority of the Act.

l. “Identity Theft Protection Act” means Public Act 452 of 2004, MCL 445.61, *et seq.*

m. “Individual” has the same meaning as the term under 45 CFR §160.103 and includes a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 CFR §165.502(g).

n. “Personal Identifying Information” or “PII” has the same meaning as the term Section 3(q) of the Identity Theft Protection Act.

o. “Privacy Rule” means the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information at 45 CFR Part 160 and Part 164, Subparts A and E.

p. “Protected Health Information” or “PHI” has the meaning given to the term under the Privacy Rule, 45 CFR §160.103, limited to the information created, received, maintained or transmitted by Associate on behalf of CE.

q. “Protected Information” means PHI and PII created, received, maintained or transmitted by Associate on behalf of CE.

r. “Security Incident” means the attempted or successful unauthorized access, Use, Disclosure, modification, or destruction of Protected Information or interference with system operations in an information system.

s. “Security Rule” means the Standards for Security of Electronic Protected Health Information at 45 CFR Part 160 and Subparts A and C of Part 164.

t. “Subcontractor” means a person or entity that creates, receives, maintains, or transmits Protected Information on behalf of Associate and who is now considered a Business Associate, as the latter term is defined in 45 CFR §160.103.

u. “Unsecured Protected Health Information” or “Unsecured PHI” means Protected Health Information that is not rendered unusable, unreadable, or indecipherable to unauthorized individuals through the use of technology or methodology specified by DHHS as defined in the Breach Rule, 45 CFR §164.402.

v. “Use” means, with respect to Protected Information, the sharing, employment, application, utilization, examination, or analysis of such information within an entity that maintains such information.

2. Obligations and Activities of Associate.

a. Permitted Uses and Disclosures. Associate may Use and Disclose Protected Information only as necessary to perform services owed CE under the Contract and meet its obligations under this Addendum, provided that such Use or Disclosure would not violate the Privacy Rule, the privacy provisions of the HITECH Act or the Identity Theft Protection Act, if done by CE. All other Uses or Disclosures by Associate not authorized by this Addendum, or by specific written instruction of CE, are prohibited. Except as otherwise limited by this Addendum, Associate may Use and Disclose Protected Information as follows:

- i. Associate may Use Protected Information for the proper management and administration of the Associate or to carry out the legal responsibilities of the Associate.
- ii. Associate may Disclose Protected Information for the proper management and administration of the Associate, provided that Disclosures are Required by Law; or 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 for which it was Disclosed to the person, and the person notifies the Associate of any instances of which it is aware that the confidentiality of the information has been breached.
- iii. Associate may Use Protected Health Information to provide Data Aggregation services to CE for the Health Care Operations of CE, as permitted by 45 CFR §164.504(e)(2)(i)(B). Associate agrees that said services shall not be provided in a manner that would result in Disclosure of Protected Health Information to another CE who was not the originator or lawful possessor of said information. Further, Associate agrees that any such wrongful Disclosure of Protected Health Information constitutes a Breach and shall be reported to CE in accordance with this Addendum.
- iv. Associate may Use Protected Health Information to report violations of law to appropriate federal and state authorities, consistent with 45 CFR §164.502(j)(1).

b. Appropriate Safeguards. Associate must implement appropriate safeguards to protect against the Use or Disclosure of Protected Information other than as permitted by this Addendum so as to comply with the HIPAA Rules, the HITECH Act, and applicable state laws and maintain written policies concerning the same. Associate must implement and maintain administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of Protected Information, including specifically Electronic PHI, as provided for in the Security Rule and as mandated by Section 13401 of the HITECH Act. These safeguards shall include, at minimum:

- i. Achieving and maintaining compliance with the HIPAA Security Rule, as necessary in conducting operations on behalf of CE under this Addendum.
- ii. Providing a level and scope of security that is at least comparable to the level and scope of security established by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in NIST 800-53, Recommended Security Controls for Federal Information Systems, Annex 2: Consolidated Security Controls-Moderate Baseline. The oldest acceptable version is the most recently approved version of NIST that has been approved for 6 months or more; however, Associate is encouraged to adopt newly approved versions of NIST as soon as practicable. If Associate chooses to use the Control Objectives for Information and Related Technology (COBIT), Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA), or International Organization for Standardization (ISO) standards, Associate must demonstrate and document how each aspect of the chosen standard comports with the applicable version of NIST and make such documentation available to CE upon request. If Associate uses a standard other than those described in this subsection, Associate must demonstrate and document how each aspect of the chosen standard comports with the appropriate version of NIST and present to CE for review and approval. Additionally, whichever standard is chosen must comport with HIPAA Rules, including specifically the Security Rule and Privacy Rule.
- iii. Achieving and maintaining compliance with the Michigan Information Technology Security Policies set forth by the Office of Michigan Cyber Security and Infrastructure Protection.
- iv. In case of a conflict between any of the security standards contained in any of these enumerated sources, the most

stringent shall apply. The most stringent means those safeguards that provide the highest level of protection to Protected Information from unauthorized Disclosure. Further, Associate must comply with changes to these standards that occur after the effective date of this Addendum.

- v. Upon request, Associate must provide CE with all information security and privacy policies, disaster recovery and business continuity policies, network connectivity diagrams, and all other security measures implemented by Associate.

c. Security Incidents. Associate must notify and report to CE in the manner described herein any Security Incident, whether actual or suspected, and any Use or Disclosure of Protected Information in violation of this Addendum, and take the following actions:

- i. Notice to CE. Associate must notify CE, via e-mail and telephone, within five (5) business days of the discovery of any Security Incident or any Use or Disclosure of Protected Information in violation of this Addendum. Associate must follow its notification to CE with a report that meets the requirements outlined immediately below.
- ii. Investigation; Report to CE. Associate must promptly investigate any Security Incident. Within ten (10) business days of the discovery, Associate must submit a preliminary report to CE identifying, to the extent known at the time, any information relevant to ascertaining the nature and scope of the Security Incident. Within fifteen (15) business days of the discovery of the Security Incident and unless otherwise directed by CE in writing, Associate must provide a complete report of the investigation to CE. Such report shall identify, to the extent possible: (a) each individual whose Protected Information has been, or is reasonably believed by Associate to have been accessed, acquired, Used or Disclosed; (b) the type of Protected Information accessed, Used or Disclosed (e.g., name, social security number, date of birth) and whether such information was Unsecured; (c) who made the access, Use, or Disclosure; and (d) an assessment of all known factors relevant to a determination of whether a Breach occurred under applicable provisions of HIPAA, the HIPAA Rules, the HITECH Act, or a Breach of Security under the Identity Theft Protection Act, and any other applicable federal or state regulations. The report shall also include a full, detailed corrective action plan,

including information on measures that were taken to halt and contain any improper Use or Disclosure. If CE requests information in addition to that listed in the report, Associate shall make reasonable efforts to provide CE with such information. Associate agrees that CE reserves the right to review and recommend changes to any corrective action plan and make a final determination as to whether a Breach of PHI or PII occurred and whether any notifications may be required under applicable state or federal regulations, including Section 13402 of the HITECH Act. In the event of a Breach of Unsecured PHI, as determined by CE, Associate agrees, consistent with 45 CFR §164.404(c), Section 13402 of the HITECH Act and Section 12 of the Identity Theft Protection Act, as applicable, to provide CE with information and documentation in its control necessary to meet the requirements of said sections, and in a manner and format to be reasonably specified by CE.

- iii. Mitigation. Associate agrees to mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Associate of a Security Incident or a Use or Disclosure of Protected Information in violation of the requirements of this Addendum. Associate must take: (a) prompt corrective action to cure any such violation and (b) any other action pertaining to such unauthorized Use or Disclosure required by applicable federal and state laws and regulations.

d. Responsibility for Notifications. If the cause of a Breach of Protected Information is attributable to Associate or its Agents or Subcontractors, Associate is responsible for all required reporting and notifications of the Breach as specified in and in accordance with Section 13402 of the HITECH Act and the Identity Theft Protection Act, as applicable, unless CE notifies Associate in writing that CE intends to be responsible for said reporting and notifications. In all cases, CE's authorized representative shall approve the time, manner, and content of any such notification and its approval must be obtained before the notification is made. In the event of such Breach, and without limiting Associate's obligations of indemnification as further described in this Addendum, Associate must indemnify, defend, and hold harmless CE for any and all claims or losses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses incidental thereto, which may be suffered by, accrued against, charged to, or recoverable from CE in connection with the occurrence.

e. Associate's Agents and Subcontractors. If Associate uses one or more Subcontractors or Agents to provide services under the Agreement, and such Agents

or Subcontractors receive or have access to Protected Information, each Subcontractor or Agent must sign an agreement with Associate containing substantially the same provisions as this Addendum and in conformance with 45 CFR §164.504(e)(2), and to assume toward Associate all of the obligations and responsibilities that the Associate, by this Addendum, assumes toward CE. Associate agrees to provide said Agents or Subcontractors PHI in accordance with the HIPAA Rules, the HITECH Act, and PII in accordance with applicable federal and state law and must: (i) implement and maintain sanctions against Subcontractors and Agents that violate such restrictions and conditions; and (ii) mitigate, to the extent practicable, the effects of any such violation.

f. Access to Protected Health Information. Associate agrees to make PHI regarding an Individual maintained by Associate or its Agents or Subcontractors in a Designated Record Set available to such Individual for inspection and copying in order to meet CE's obligations under 45 CFR §164.524. An Individual's request for access must be submitted on standard request forms available from Associate. If CE receives a request for access, CE, in addition to addressing the request on its behalf, will forward the request in writing to Associate in a timely manner. If Associate or its Agents or Subcontractors maintain Electronic Health Records for CE, then Associate must provide, where applicable, electronic access to the Electronic Health Records to CE.

g. Amendment of Protected Health Information. Associate agrees to make any amendment(s) to PHI in a Designated Record Set to meet CE's obligations under 45 CFR §164.526. An Individual's amendment request must be submitted on standard forms available from Associate. If CE receives a request for an amendment, CE, in addition to addressing the request on its behalf, will forward the request in writing to Associate in a timely manner.

h. Accounting Rights. Associate agrees to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of Disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 CFR §164.528. Associate must maintain necessary and sufficient documentation of Disclosures of PHI and information related to such Disclosures as would be required for CE to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of Disclosures under 45 CFR §164.528. An Individual's request for a report of accounting must be submitted on standard request forms available from Associate. If CE receives a request for an accounting, CE, in addition to addressing the request on its own behalf, will forward the request in writing to Associate in a timely manner. Associate must also comply with the requirements of Section 13405(c) of the HITECH Act, as applicable.

i. Access to Records and Internal Practices. Unless otherwise protected or prohibited from discovery or Disclosure by law, Associate must make its internal practices, books, and records, including policies and procedures (collectively,

Compliance Information), relating to the Use or Disclosure of PHI and PII and the protection of same, available to CE or to the Secretary of DHHS (Secretary) for purposes of the Secretary determining CE's compliance with the HIPAA Rules and the HITECH Act. Associate shall have a reasonable time within which to comply with requests for such access, consistent with this Addendum. In no case shall access be required in less than five (5) business days after Associate's receipt of such request, unless otherwise designated by the Secretary.

j. Minimum Necessary. Associate (and its Agents or Subcontractors) shall only request, Use and Disclose the minimum amount of Protected Information necessary to accomplish the purpose of the request, Use or Disclosure, in accordance with the Minimum Necessary requirements of the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to 45 CFR §§ 164.502(b) and 164.514(d) and the HITECH Act.

k. Compliance.

i. To the extent that Associate carries out one or more of CE's obligations under the HIPAA Rules, Associate must comply with all requirements that would be applicable to CE.

ii. Associate must honor all restrictions consistent with 45 CFR §164.522 that CE or the Individual makes Associate aware of, including the Individual's right to restrict certain Disclosures of PHI to a health plan where the Individual pays out of pocket or in full for the healthcare item or service, in accordance with Section 13405(a) of the HITECH Act.

l. Data Ownership. Unless otherwise specified in this Addendum, Associate agrees that Associate has no ownership rights with respect to the Protected Information and that CE retains all rights with respect to ownership of such information. Associate further agrees not to receive remuneration, directly or indirectly, in exchange for Protected Information, except with the prior written consent of CE.

m. Retention of Protected Information. Notwithstanding Section 5(d) of this Addendum, Associate and its Subcontractors or Agents shall retain all Protected Information throughout the term of the Contract and shall continue to maintain the information required under Section 2(h) of this Addendum for a period of six (6) years from the date of creation or the date when it last was in effect, whichever is later, or as Required by Law. This obligation shall survive the termination of the Contract.

n. Destruction of Protected Information. Associate must implement policies and procedures for the final disposition of Protected Information, including

electronic PHI, and the hardware and equipment on which it is stored, including but not limited to, removal before re-Use, in accordance with the Security Rule, the HITECH Act, and other applicable laws relating to the final disposition of Protected Information.

o. Audits, Inspection, and Enforcement. Within ten (10) days of a written request by CE, Associate and its Agents or Subcontractors must allow CE to conduct a reasonable inspection of the facilities, systems, books, records, agreements, policies and procedures relating to the Use or Disclosure of Protected Information pursuant to this Addendum for the purpose of determining whether Associate has complied with this Addendum; provided, however, that: (i) Associate and CE shall mutually agree in advance upon the scope, timing and location of such an inspection; (ii) CE shall protect the confidentiality of all confidential and proprietary information of Associate to which CE has access during the course of such inspection; and (iii) CE or Associate shall execute a nondisclosure agreement, if requested by Associate or CE. The fact that CE inspects, or fails to inspect, or has the right to inspect, Associate's facilities, systems, books, records, agreements, policies and procedures does not relieve Associate of its responsibility to comply with this Addendum, nor does CE's (i) failure to detect or (ii) detection, but failure to notify Associate or require Associate's remediation of any unsatisfactory practices, constitute acceptance of such practice or a waiver of CE's enforcement rights under this Addendum. If Associate is the subject of an audit, compliance review, or complaint investigation by DHHS that is related to the performance of its obligations pursuant to this Addendum, Associate must notify CE and provide CE with a copy of any PHI that Associate provides to DHHS concurrently with providing such information to DHHS. If, as a result of an audit or other investigation of Associate, DHHS assesses any civil penalties, Associate shall pay such penalties.

p. Audit Findings. Associate must implement any appropriate Safeguards, as identified by CE in an audit conducted under paragraph 2(o).

q. Reserved.

r. Safeguards During Transmission. Associate must utilize safeguards that reasonably and appropriately maintain and ensure the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of Protected Information transmitted to CE under this Addendum, in accordance with the standards and requirements of the HIPAA Rules and other applicable federal or state regulations, until such Protected Information is received by CE, and in accordance with any specifications set forth in Attachment A.

s. Due Diligence. Associate must exercise due diligence and take reasonable steps to ensure that it remains in compliance with this Addendum and is

in compliance with applicable provisions of HIPAA, the HIPAA Rules, the HITECH Act and other applicable laws or regulations pertaining to Protected Information, and that its Agents, Subcontractors and vendors are in compliance with their obligations as required by this Addendum.

t. Sanctions and Penalties. Associate understands that a failure to comply with the provisions of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the HIPAA Rules or any other state or federal regulation that is applicable to Associate may result in the imposition of sanctions or penalties on Associate under HIPAA, the HIPAA Rules, the HITECH Act, or any other applicable laws or regulations pertaining to PHI and PII.

u. Indemnification. Associate shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend CE from and against any and all claims, losses, liabilities, costs and other expenses resulting from, or relating to, the acts or omissions of Associate or its Agents or Subcontractors in connection with the representations, duties, and obligations of Associate under this Addendum, including but not limited to any unauthorized Use or Disclosure of Protected Information. This includes credit-monitoring services, third party audits of Associate's handling and remediation of the Breach, and reimbursement for State employee time spent handling the Security Incident, as reasonably deemed appropriate by CE. The parties' respective rights and obligations under this subsection shall survive termination of the Agreement.

3. Obligations of CE.

a. Safeguards During Transmission. CE must utilize safeguards that reasonably and appropriately maintain and ensure the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of Protected Information transmitted to Associate under this Addendum, in accordance with the standards and requirements of the HIPAA Rules and other applicable federal or state regulations, until such Protected Information is received by Associate, and in accordance with any specifications set forth in Attachment A.

b. Notice of Limitations and Changes. CE must notify Associate of any limitations in its notice of privacy practices in accordance with 45 CFR §164.520, or any restriction to the Use or Disclosure of PHI that CE has agreed to in accordance with 45 CFR §164.528, to the extent that such limitation may affect Associate's Use or Disclosure of PHI. CE must also notify Associate of any changes in, or revocation of, permission by Individual to Use or Disclose PHI of which it becomes aware, to the extent that such changes may affect Associate's Use or Disclosure of PHI.

4. Term. This Addendum shall continue in effect as to each Contract to which it applies until such Contract is terminated or is replaced with a new contract between the parties containing provisions meeting the requirements of the HIPAA

Rules and the HITECH Act, whichever first occurs. However, certain obligations will continue as specified in this Addendum.

5. Termination.

a. Material Breach. Except as otherwise provided in the Contract, a breach by Associate of any provision of this Addendum, as determined by CE, shall constitute a material breach of the Agreement and provide grounds for CE to terminate the Agreement for cause, subject to section 5(b):

i. Default. If Associate refuses or fails to timely perform any of the provisions of this Addendum, CE may notify Associate in writing of the non-performance, and if not corrected within thirty (30) days, CE may immediately terminate the Agreement. Associate agrees to continue performance of the Agreement to the extent it is not terminated.

ii. Duties. Notwithstanding termination of the Agreement, and subject to any reasonable directions from the CE, Associate agrees to take timely, reasonable and necessary action to protect and preserve property in the possession of the Associate in which CE has an interest.

iii. Erroneous Termination for Default. If after such termination it is determined, for any reason, that Associate was not in default, or that Associate's action or inaction was excusable, such termination shall be treated as a termination for convenience, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the Contract had been terminated for convenience, as described in this Addendum or in the Contract.

b. Reasonable Steps to Cure Breach. If CE knows of a pattern of activity or practice of Associate that constitutes a material breach or violation of the Associate's obligations under the provisions of this Addendum or another arrangement and does not terminate the Agreement under Section 5(a), then CE shall take reasonable steps to cure such breach or end such violation, as applicable. If CE's efforts to cure such breach or end such violation are unsuccessful, CE shall either (i) terminate the Agreement, if feasible or (ii) if termination of the Agreement is not feasible, CE shall report Associate's breach or violation to the Secretary.

c. Reserved.

d. Effect of Termination.

(i) At the direction of CE, and except as provided in section 5(d)(ii), upon termination of the Agreement for any reason, Associate must return or destroy all Protected Information that Associate or its Agents or Subcontractors still maintain in any form, and shall retain no copies of such information. If CE directs

Associate to destroy the Protected Information, Associate must certify in writing to CE that such information has been destroyed. If CE directs associate to return such information, Associate must do so promptly in any format reasonably specified by CE.

(ii) If Associate believes that returning or destroying the Protected Information is not feasible, including but not limited to, a finding that record retention requirements provided by law make return or destruction infeasible, Associate must promptly provide CE written notice of the conditions making return or destruction infeasible. Upon mutual agreement of CE and Associate that return or destruction of Protected Information is infeasible, Associate must continue to extend the protections of this Addendum to such information, and must limit further Use of such Protected Information to those purposes that make the return or destruction of such Protected Information infeasible.

6. Reserved.

7. No Waiver of Immunity. No term or condition of this Addendum shall be construed or interpreted as a waiver, express or implied, of any of the immunities, rights, benefits, protection, or other provisions of applicable laws, including the Michigan Governmental Immunity Act, MCL 691.1401, *et seq.*, the Court of Claims Act, MCL 600.6401, *et seq.*, the Federal Tort Claims Act, 28 U.S.C. 2671, *et seq.*, or the common law, as applicable, as now in effect or hereafter amended.

8. Reserved.

9. Disclaimer. CE makes no warranty or representation that compliance by Associate with this Addendum, HIPAA, the HIPAA Rules, the HITECH Act or other applicable laws pertaining to Protected Information will be adequate or satisfactory for Associate's own purposes. Associate is solely responsible for all decisions made by Associate regarding the safeguarding of Protected Information.

10. Reserved.

11. Amendment.

a. Amendment to Comply with Law. The parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Addendum from time to time as may be necessary for CE and Associate to comply with and implement the standards and requirements of HIPAA, the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule, the Breach Rule, the HITECH Act, the Identity Theft Protection Act, and other applicable laws relating to the security or privacy of PHI and PII. Upon the request of either party, the other party agrees to promptly enter into negotiations concerning the terms of an amendment to this Addendum embodying written assurances consistent with the

standards and requirements of HIPAA, the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule, the Breach Rule, the HITECH Act, the Identity Theft Protection Act, or other applicable laws. Either party may terminate the Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice if (i) the other does not promptly enter into negotiations to amend this Agreement when requested by the requesting party under this Section or (ii) the non-requesting party does not enter into an amendment to this Agreement when requested providing assurances regarding the safeguarding of PHI and PII that the requesting party, in its sole discretion, deems sufficient to satisfy the standards and requirements of HIPAA, the HIPAA Rules, the HITECH Act, the Identity Theft Protection Act, and other applicable laws.

b. Amendment of Attachment A. Attachment A may be modified or amended by mutual agreement of the parties in writing from time to time without formal amendment of this Addendum.

12. Assistance in Litigation or Administrative Proceedings. Associate must make itself, and any Subcontractors, employees or Agents assisting it in the performance of its obligations under this Addendum available to CE, at no cost to CE, to testify as witnesses, or otherwise, in the event of litigation or administrative proceedings being commenced against a party, its directors, officers or employees, departments, agencies, or divisions based upon a claimed violation of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the HIPAA Rules, the Identity Theft Protection Act, or other laws relating to security and privacy of Protected Information, except where the other party or its Subcontractor, employee or Agent is a named adverse party.

13. No Third Party Beneficiaries. Nothing express or implied in this Addendum is intended to confer, nor shall anything herein confer, upon any person other than CE, Associate and their respective successors or assigns, any rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities whatsoever.

14. Effect on Contract. Except as specifically required to implement the purposes of this Addendum, or to the extent inconsistent with this Addendum, all other terms of the Contract shall remain in force and effect. This Addendum is incorporated into the Contract as if set forth in full therein. The parties expressly acknowledge and agree that sufficient mutual consideration exists to make this Addendum legally binding in accordance with its terms. Associate and CE expressly waive any claim or defense that this Addendum is not part of the Agreement between the parties under the Contract.

15. Interpretation and Order of Precedence. This Addendum is incorporated into and becomes part of each Contract identified herein. Together, this Addendum and each separate Contract constitute the Agreement of the parties with respect to their Business Associate relationship under HIPAA, the HIPAA Rules, and the HITECH Act. The provisions of this Addendum shall prevail over any provisions in the

Contract that may conflict or appear inconsistent with any provision in this Addendum. This Addendum and the Contract shall be interpreted as broadly as necessary to implement and comply with HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the HIPAA Rules, and applicable state laws. The parties agree that any ambiguity in this Addendum shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that complies and is consistent with HIPAA, the HITECH Act, and the HIPAA Rules. This Addendum supersedes and replaces any previous separately executed HIPAA addendum between the parties. In the event of any conflict between the mandatory provisions of the HIPAA Rules and the HITECH Act and the provisions of this Addendum, the HIPAA Rules and the HITECH Act shall control. Where the provisions of this Addendum differ from those mandated by the HIPAA Rules or the HITECH Act, but are nonetheless permitted by the HIPAA Rules and the HITECH Act, the provisions of this Addendum shall control.

16. Effective Date. This Addendum is effective upon receipt of the last approval necessary and the affixing of the last signature required.

17. Survival of Certain Contract Terms. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Associate's obligations under Section 2(d) (Responsibility for Notifications), Section 2(u) (Indemnification), Section 5(d) (Effect of Termination), Section 12 (Assistance in Litigation or Administrative Proceedings), Section 13 (No Third Party Beneficiaries), and applicable record retention laws shall survive termination of this Agreement and shall be enforceable by CE as provided herein in the event of such failure to perform or comply by the Associate.

18. Representatives and Notice.

a. Representatives. For the purpose of this Addendum, the individuals identified in the Contract shall be the representatives of the respective parties. If no representatives are identified in the Contract, the individuals listed below are hereby designated as the parties' respective representatives for purposes of this Addendum. Either party may from time to time designate in writing new or substitute representatives.

b. Notices. Except as otherwise provided in this Addendum, all required notices shall be in writing and shall be hand delivered or given by certified or registered mail to the representatives at the addresses set forth below.

Covered Entity Representative:

Name:	<u>Anthony Taylor</u>
Title:	<u>Program Manager</u>
Department:	<u>Health and Human Services</u>
Division:	<u>Office of Audit</u>
Address:	<u>14165 N. Fenton Rd. Suite 103</u> <u>Fenton, MI. 48430</u>



Business Associate Representative:

Name:	Janet E. Braun
Title:	President
Department:	
Division:	
Address:	24825 Little Mack Avenue
	Suite 100
	St. Clair Shores, MI 48080

Any notice given to a party under this Addendum shall be deemed effective, if addressed to such party, upon: (i) delivery, if hand delivered; or (ii) the third (3rd) business day after being sent by certified or registered mail.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have duly executed this Addendum as of the Addendum Effective Date.

Associate

Abramson, Braun and Erfourth, P.C.

By: *Janet E. Braun*
 Print Name: Janet E. Braun
 Title: President

Covered Entity

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

Name:	Anthony Taylor
Title:	Program Manager
Department:	Health and Human Services
Division:	Office of Audit
Address:	14165 N. Fenton Rd. Suite 103
	Fenton, MI. 48430

ATTACHMENT A

This Attachment sets forth additional terms to the HIPAA Business Associate Addendum dated April 1, 2016, between the State of Michigan and Abramson, Braun and Erfourth, PC.(Addendum) and is effective as of April 1, 2016 (the Attachment Effective Date). This Attachment applies to the specific contracts listed below covered by the Addendum. This Attachment may be amended from time to time as provided in Section 11(b) of the Addendum.

1. Specific Contract Covered. This Attachment applies to the following specific contract covered by the Addendum: Long Term Care Compliance Audits Contract #071B6600066

2. Additional Permitted Uses. In addition to those purposes set forth in Section 2(a) of the Addendum, Associate may Use Protected Information as follows:

3. Additional Permitted Disclosures. In addition to those purposes set forth in Section 2(b) of the Addendum, Associate may Disclose Protected Information as follows:

4. Subcontractor(s). The parties acknowledge that the following subcontractors or agents of Associate shall receive Protected Information in the course of assisting Associate in the performance of its obligations under the Contract and the Addendum:

5. Receipt. Associate's receipt of Protected Information pursuant to the Contract and Addendum shall be deemed to occur as follows, and Associate's obligations under the Addendum shall commence with respect to such Protected Information upon such receipt:

6. Additional Restrictions on Use of Data. CE is a Business Associate of certain other Covered Entities and, pursuant to such obligations of CE, Associate shall comply with the following restrictions on the Use and Disclosure of Protected Information:

7. Additional Terms.

Associate

Abramson, Braun and Erfourth, P.C.

By: *Janet E. Braun*

Print Name: Janet E. Braun

Title: President

Date: March 21, 2016

Covered Entity

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

By: Anthony Taylor
Department: Health and Human Services
Title: Program Manager
Date: 03/31/2016