## Employee Benefits Consulting Services

#### Contract No. RFP-00615

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into as of this 21 day of 2018 by and between Gallagher Benefit Services, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, having its principal office at 2850 Golf Road, Rolling Meadows, IL 60008 (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor"), and Miami-Dade County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, having its principal office at 111 N.W. 1st Street, Miami, Florida 33128 (hereinafter referred to as the "County"),

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Contractor has offered to provide Employee Benefit Consulting Services, on a non-exclusive basis, that shall conform to the Scope of Services (Appendix A); Miami-Dade County's Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 00615 and all associated addenda and attachments, incorporated herein by reference; and the requirements of this Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the Contractor has submitted a written proposal dated March 9, 2018, hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor's Proposal" which is incorporated herein by reference; and,

WHEREAS, the County desires to procure from the Contractor such employee benefits consulting services for the County, in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

## ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS

The following words and expressions used in this Agreement shall be construed as follows, except when it is clear from the context that another meaning is intended:

- a) The words "Contract" or "Agreement" to mean collectively these terms and conditions, the Scope of Services (Appendix A), all other appendices and attachments hereto, all amendments issued hereto, RFP No. 00615 and all associated addenda, and the Contractor's Proposal.
- b) The words "Contract Date" to mean the date on which this Agreement is effective.
- c) The words "Contract Manager" to mean Miami-Dade County's Director, Internal Services Department, or the duly authorized representative designated to manage the Contract.

- d) The word "Contractor" to mean Gallagher Benefit Services, Inc. and its permitted successors.
- e) The word "Days" to mean Calendar Days.
- f) The word "Deliverables" to mean all documentation and any items of any nature submitted by the Contractor to the County's Project Manager for review and approval pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.
- g) The words "directed", "required", "permitted", "ordered", "designated", "selected", "prescribed" or words of like import to mean respectively, the direction, requirement, permission, order, designation, selection or prescription of the County's Project Manager; and similarly the words "approved", acceptable", "satisfactory", "equal", "necessary", or words of like import to mean respectively, approved by, or acceptable or satisfactory to, equal or necessary in the opinion of the County's Project Manager.
- h) The words "Extra Work" or "Additional Work" to mean additions or deletions or modifications to the amount, type or value of the Work and Services as required in this Contract, as directed and/or approved by the County.
- i) The words "Project Manager" to mean the County Mayor or the duly authorized representative designated to manage the Project.
- j) The words "Scope of Services" to mean the document appended hereto as Appendix A, which details the work to be performed by the Contractor.
- k) The word "subcontractor" or "subconsultant" to mean any person, entity, firm or corporation, other than the employees of the Contractor, who furnishes labor and/or materials, in connection with the Work, whether directly or indirectly, on behalf and/or under the direction of the Contractor and whether or not in privity of Contract with the Contractor.
- I) The words "Work", "Services" "Program", or "Project" to mean all matters and things required to be done by the Contractor in accordance with the provisions of this Contract.
- m) The words "Work Order" to mean an assignment of work issued by the County to a Contractor to perform work specified in the Scope of Services.

## ARTICLE 2. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

If there is a conflict between or among the provisions of this Agreement, the order of precedence is as follows: 1) these terms and conditions, 2) the Scope of Services (Appendix A), 3) the Price Schedule (Appendix B); 3) HIPAA Business Associate Addendum (Appendix C); 5) the Miami-Dade County's RFP No. 00615 and any associated addenda and attachments thereof, and 6) the Contractor's Proposal.

## ARTICLE 3. RULES OF INTERPRETATION

a) References to a specified Article, section or schedule shall be construed as reference to that specified Article, or section of, or schedule to this Agreement unless otherwise indicated.

- b) Reference to any agreement or other instrument shall be deemed to include such agreement or other instrument as such agreement or other instrument may, from time to time, be modified, amended, supplemented, or restated in accordance with its terms.
- c) The terms "hereof", "herein", "hereinafter", "hereby", "herewith", "hereto", and "hereunder" shall be deemed to refer to this Agreement.
- d) The titles, headings, captions and arrangements used in these Terms and Conditions are for convenience only and shall not be deemed to limit, amplify or modify the terms of this Contract, nor affect the meaning thereof.

## ARTICLE 4. NATURE OF THE AGREEMENT

- This Agreement incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements, and understandings applicable to the matters contained in this Agreement. The parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements, or understandings concerning the subject matter of this Agreement that are not contained in this Agreement, and that this Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties as to all matters contained herein. Accordingly, it is agreed that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written. It is further agreed that any oral representations or modifications concerning this Agreement shall be of no force or effect, and that this Agreement may be modified, altered or amended only by a written amendment duly executed by both parties hereto or their authorized representatives.
- b) The Contractor shall provide the services set forth in the Scope of Services, and render full and prompt cooperation with the County in all aspects of the Services performed hereunder.
- c) The Contractor acknowledges that this Agreement requires the performance of all things necessary for or incidental to the effective and complete performance of all Work and Services under this Contract. All things not expressly mentioned in this Agreement but necessary to carrying out its intent are required by this Agreement, and the Contractor shall perform the same as though they were specifically mentioned, described and delineated.
- d) The Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, tools, supplies, and other items required to perform the Work and Services that are necessary for the completion of this Contract. All Work and Services shall be accomplished at the direction of and to the satisfaction of the County's Project Manager.
- e) The Contractor acknowledges that the County shall be responsible for making all policy decisions regarding the Scope of Services. The Contractor agrees to provide input on policy issues in the form of recommendations. The Contractor agrees to implement any and all changes in providing Services hereunder as a result of a policy change implemented by the County. The Contractor agrees to act in an expeditious and fiscally sound manner in providing the County with input regarding the time and cost to implement said changes and in executing the activities required to implement said changes.

## **ARTICLE 5. CONTRACT TERM**

The Contract shall become effective on the date set forth on the first page, and shall continue through the last day of the 36<sup>th</sup> month. The County reserves the right to exercise its option to extend this Contract for up to one hundred-eighty (180) calendar days beyond the current

Contract period and will notify the Contractor in writing of the extension. This Contract may be extended beyond the initial one hundred-eighty (180) calendar day extension period by mutual agreement between the County and the Contractor, upon approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

Work Order Term

Work Orders shall expire as stated in each individual Work Order issued under this Contract, and may extend past the expiration of this Contract. The Provisions of any specific Work Order which commences prior to the termination date of this Contract and which will extend beyond said termination date shall survive the expiration or termination hereof.

## ARTICLE 6. NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

All notices required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed sufficiently served if delivered by Registered or Certified Mail, with return receipt requested; or delivered personally; or delivered via e-mail (if provided below) and followed with delivery of hard copy; and in any case addressed as follows:

## (1) to the County

a) to the Project Manager:

Miami-Dade County

**Human Resources Department** 

Attention: Human Resources Department, Benefits Division Director

111 N.W. 1st Street, Suite 2340

Miami, FL 33128 Phone: 305-375-1638

E-mail: Helena.denham-carter@miamidade.gov

and.

b) to the Contract Manager:

Miami-Dade County

Internal Services Department, Procurement Management Division

111 N.W. 1st Street, Suite 1375

Miami, FL 33128-1974

Attention: Chief Procurement Officer

Phone:

(305) 375-1574

E-mail:

Namita.uppal@miamidade.gov

## (2) To the Contractor

Gallagher Benefit Services, Inc. 2255 Glades Road, Suite 200E

Boca Raton, FL 33431

Attention: Barbara L. Crowe, Area Senior Vice President

Phone:

561.998.6747

E-mail:

Barbara Crowe@aig.com

Either party may at any time designate a different address and/or contact person by giving notice as provided above to the other party. Such notices shall be deemed given upon receipt by the addressee.

## ARTICLE 7. PAYMENT FOR SERVICES/AMOUNT OBLIGATED

The Contractor warrants that it has reviewed the County's requirements and has asked such questions and conducted such other inquiries as the Contractor deemed necessary in order to determine the price the Contractor will charge to provide the Work and Services to be performed under this Contract. The compensation for all Work and Services performed under this Contract, including all costs associated with such work and Services, shall be in accordance to the Price Schedule, Appendix B, herein and the applicable Work Order. The County shall have no obligation to pay the Contractor any additional sum in excess of this amount, except for a change and/or modification to the Contract, which is approved and executed in writing by the County and the Contractor.

All Services undertaken by the Contractor before County's approval of this Contract shall be at the Contractor's risk and expense.

## ARTICLE 8. PRICING

Rates shall remain as specified in the Price Schedule, Appendix B, for the term of the Contract, including any extension periods; however, the Contractor may offer incentive discounts to the County at any time during the Contract term, including any extension thereof. The County reserves the right to negotiate lower hourly rates or other pricing arrangements on a Work Order basis.

#### ARTICLE 9. METHOD AND TIMES OF PAYMENT

The Contractor agrees that under the provisions of this Agreement, as reimbursement for those actual, reasonable and necessary costs incurred by the Contractor, which are directly attributable or properly allocable to the Services, the Contractor may bill the County periodically, but not more than once per month, or as specified in the Work Order, upon invoices certified by the Contractor pursuant to Appendix B - Price Schedule. All invoices shall be taken from the books of account kept by the Contractor, shall be supported by copies of payroll distribution, receipt bills or other documents reasonably required by the County, shall show the County's contract number, and shall have a unique invoice number assigned by the Contractor. It is the policy of Miami-Dade County that payment for all purchases by County agencies and the Public Health Trust shall be made in a timely manner and that interest payments be made on late payments. All firms, including Small Business Enterprises, providing goods and services to the County, shall receive payment to maintain sufficient cash flow. In accordance with Section 218.74 of the Florida Statutes, and Section 2-8.1.4 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, the time at which payment shall be due from the County or the Public Health Trust shall be forty-five (45) days from receipt of a proper invoice. Billings from prime Contractors under services and goods contracts with the County or Public Health Trust, that are Small Business Enterprise contract set-aside, bid preference or contain a subcontractor goal, shall be promptly reviewed and payment made by the County or Trust on those amounts not under dispute within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of such billing by the County or the Trust pursuant to Sections 2-8.1.1.1.1 and 2-8.1.1.1.2 of the Code of Miami-Dade County. All payments due from the County or the Public Health Trust, and not made within the time specified by this section shall bear interest from thirty (30) days after the due date at the rate of one percent (1%) per month on the unpaid balance. Further, proceedings to resolve disputes for payment of obligations shall be concluded by final written decision of the County Mayor, or his or her designee(s), not later than sixty (60) days after the date on which the proper invoice was received by the County or the Public Health Trust.

In accordance with Miami-Dade County Implementing Order 3-9, Accounts Receivable Adjustments, if money is owed by the Contractor to the County, whether under this Contract or for any other purpose, the County reserves the right to retain such amount from payment due by

County to the Contractor under this Contract. Such retained amount shall be applied to the amount owed by the Contractor to the County. The Contractor shall have no further claim to such retained amounts which shall be deemed full accord and satisfaction of the amount due by the County to the Contractor for the applicable payment due herein.

Invoices and associated back-up documentation shall be submitted in duplicate by the Contractor to the County as follows:

Miami-Dade County Human Resources Department 111 N.W. 1st Street, Suite 2340 Miami Florida 33128 Attention: Helena Denham-Carter, Benefits Division Director

The County may at any time designate a different address and/or contact person by giving written notice to the other party.

## ARTICLE 10. INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the County and its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses or damages, including attorneys' fees and costs of defense, which the County or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to or resulting from the performance of this Agreement by the Contractor or its employees, agents, servants, partners principals or subcontractors. The Contractor shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the County, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorney's fees which may issue thereon. The Contractor expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by this Agreement or otherwise provided by the Contractor shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless and defend the County or its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities as herein provided.

Upon County's notification, the Contractor shall furnish to the Internal Services Department, Procurement Management Division, Certificates of Insurance that indicate that insurance coverage has been obtained, which meets the requirements as outlined below:

- 1. Worker's Compensation Insurance for all employees of the Contractor as required by Florida Statute 440.
- Commercial General Liability Insurance on a comprehensive basis, in an amount not less than \$300,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. Miami-Dade County must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage.
- 3. Automobile Liability Insurance covering all owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles used in connection with the Services, in an amount not less than \$300,000 for any one accident or loss for bodily injury and property damage.
- 4. Professional Liability Insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per wrongful act.

All insurance policies required above shall be issued by companies authorized to do business under the laws of the State of Florida, with the following qualifications:

The company must be rated no less than "A-" as to management, and no less than "Class VII" as to financial strength by A.M. Best Company, Oldwick, New Jersey, or its equivalent, subject to the approval of the County Risk Management Division.

OR

The company must hold a valid Florida Certificate of Authority as shown in the latest "List of All Insurance Companies Authorized or Approved to Do Business in Florida", issued by the State of Florida Department of Financial Services and are members of the Florida Guaranty Fund.

**CERTIFICATE HOLDER MUST READ:** 

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY 111 NW 1st STREET SUITE 1300 MIAMI, FL 33128-1974

Compliance with the foregoing requirements shall not relieve the Contractor of this liability and obligation under this section or under any other section in this Agreement.

Award of this Contract is contingent upon the receipt of the insurance documents, as required, within ten (10) business days. If the insurance certificate is received within the specified timeframe but not in the manner prescribed in this Agreement, the Contractor shall have an additional five (5) business days to submit a corrected certificate to the County. If the Contractor fails to submit the required insurance documents in the manner prescribed in this Agreement within fifteen (15) business days, the Contractor shall be in default of the contractual terms and conditions and award of the Contract may be rescinded, unless such timeframe for submission has been extended by the County.

The Contractor shall assure that the Certificates of Insurance required in conjunction with this Section remain in full force for the term of the Contract, including any renewal or extension periods that may be exercised by the County. If the Certificate(s) of Insurance is scheduled to expire during the term of the Contract, the Contractor shall submit new or renewed Certificate(s) of Insurance to the County a minimum of ten (10) calendar days before such expiration. In the event that expired Certificates of Insurance are not replaced or renewed to cover the Contract period, the County may suspend the Contract until the new or renewed certificates are received by the County in the manner prescribed herein. If such suspension exceeds thirty (30) calendar days, the County may, at its sole discretion, terminate the Contract for cause and the Contractor shall be responsible for all direct and indirect costs associated with such termination.

## ARTICLE 11. MANNER OF PERFORMANCE

a) The Contractor shall provide the Services described herein in a competent and professional manner satisfactory to the County in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The County shall be entitled to a satisfactory performance of all Services described herein and to full and prompt cooperation by the Contractor in all aspects of the Services. At the request of the County, the Contractor shall promptly remove from the project any Contractor's employee, subcontractor, or any other person performing Services hereunder. The Contractor agrees that such removal of any of its employees does not require the termination or demotion of any employee by the

Contractor.

- b) The Contractor agrees to defend, hold harmless and indemnify the County and shall be liable and responsible for any and all claims, suits, actions, damages and costs (including attorney's fees and court costs) made against the County, occurring on account of, arising from or in connection with the removal and replacement of any Contractor's personnel performing services hereunder at the behest of the County. Removal and replacement of any Contractor's personnel as used in this Article shall not require the termination and or demotion of such Contractor's personnel.
- c) The Contractor agrees that at all times it will employ, maintain and assign to the performance of the Services a sufficient number of competent and qualified professionals and other personnel to meet the requirements to which reference is hereinafter made. The Contractor agrees to adjust its personnel staffing levels or to replace any its personnel if so directed upon reasonable request from the County, should the County make a determination, in its sole discretion, that said personnel staffing is inappropriate or that any individual is not performing in a manner consistent with the requirements for such a position.
- d) The Contractor warrants and represents that its personnel have the proper skill, training, background, knowledge, experience, rights, authorizations, integrity, character and licenses as necessary to perform the Services described herein, in a competent and professional manner.
- e) The Contractor shall at all times cooperate with the County and coordinate its respective work efforts to most effectively and efficiently maintain the progress in performing the Services.
- f) The Contractor shall comply with all provisions of all federal, state and local laws, statutes, ordinances, and regulations that are applicable to the performance of this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 12. EMPLOYEES OF THE CONTRACTOR

All employees of the Contractor shall be considered to be, at all times, employees of the Contractor under its sole direction and not employees or agents of the County. The Contractor shall supply competent employees. Miami-Dade County may require the Contractor to remove an employee it deems careless, incompetent, insubordinate or otherwise objectionable and whose continued employment on County property is not in the best interest of the County. Each employee shall have and wear proper identification.

# ARTICLE 13. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR RELATIONSHIP

The Contractor is, and shall be, in the performance of all work services and activities under this Agreement, an independent contractor, and not an employee, agent or servant of the County. All persons engaged in any of the work or services performed pursuant to this Agreement shall at all times, and in all places, be subject to the Contractor's sole direction, supervision and control. The Contractor shall exercise control over the means and manner in which it and its employees perform the work, and in all respects the Contractor's relationship and the relationship of its employees to the County shall be that of an independent contractor and not as employees and agents of the County.

The Contractor does not have the power or authority to bind the County in any promise, agreement or representation other than specifically provided for in this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 14. AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY'S PROJECT MANAGER

- a) The Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County's Project Manager will determine in the first instance all questions of any nature whatsoever arising out of, under, or in connection with, or in any way related to or on account of, this Agreement including without limitations: questions as to the value, acceptability and fitness of the Services; questions as to either party's fulfillment of its obligations under the Contract; negligence, fraud or misrepresentation before or subsequent to acceptance of the Contractor's Proposal; questions as to the interpretation of the Scope of Services; and claims for damages, compensation and losses.
- b) The Contractor shall be bound by all determinations or orders and shall promptly comply with every order of the Project Manager, including the withdrawal or modification of any previous order and regardless of whether the Contractor agrees with the Project Manager's determination or order. Where orders are given orally, they will be issued in writing by the Project Manager as soon thereafter as is practicable.
- c) The Contractor must, in the final instance, seek to resolve every difference concerning the Agreement with the Project Manager. In the event that the Contractor and the Project Manager are unable to resolve their difference, the Contractor may initiate a dispute in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Article. Exhaustion of these procedures shall be a condition precedent to any lawsuit permitted hereunder.
- In the event of such dispute, the parties to this Agreement authorize the County Mayor or designee, who may not be the Project Manager or anyone associated with this Project, acting personally, to decide all questions arising out of, under, or in connection with, or in any way related to or on account of the Agreement (including but not limited to claims in the nature of breach of contract, fraud or misrepresentation arising either before or subsequent to execution hereof) and the decision of each with respect to matters within the County Mayor's purview as set forth above shall be conclusive, final and binding on parties. Any such dispute shall be brought, if at all, before the County Mayor within 10 days of the occurrence, event or act out of which the dispute arises.
- The County Mayor may base this decision on such assistance as may be desirable, e) including advice of experts, but in any event shall base the decision on an independent and objective determination of whether Contractor's performance or any Deliverable meets the requirements of this Agreement and any specifications with respect thereto set forth herein. The effect of any decision shall not be impaired or waived by any negotiations or settlements or offers made in connection with the dispute, whether or not the County Mayor participated therein, or by any prior decision of others, which prior decision shall be deemed subject to review, or by any termination or cancellation of the Agreement. All such disputes shall be submitted in writing by the Contractor to the County Mayor for a decision, together with all evidence and other pertinent information in regard to such questions, in order that a fair and impartial decision may be made. Whenever the County Mayor is entitled to exercise discretion or judgement or to make a determination or form an opinion pursuant to the provisions of this Article, such action shall be fair and impartial when exercised or taken. The County Mayor, as appropriate, shall render a decision in writing and deliver a copy of the same to the Contractor. Except as such remedies may be limited or waived elsewhere in the Agreement, Contractor reserves the right to pursue any remedies available under law after exhausting the provisions of this Article.

## **ARTICLE 15. MUTUAL OBLIGATIONS**

- a) This Agreement, including attachments and appendices to the Agreement, shall constitute the entire Agreement between the parties with respect hereto and supersedes all previous communications and representations or agreements, whether written or oral, with respect to the subject matter hereto unless acknowledged in writing by the duly authorized representatives of both parties.
- b) Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed for the benefit, intended or otherwise, of any third party that is not a parent or subsidiary of a party or otherwise related (by virtue of ownership control or statutory control) to a party.
- c) In those situations where this Agreement imposes an indemnity obligation on the Contractor, the County may, at its expense, elect to participate in the defense if the County should so choose. Furthermore, the County may at its own expense defend or settle any such claims if the Contractor fails to diligently defend such claims, and thereafter seek indemnity for costs from the Contractor.

# ARTICLE 16. QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY ASSURANCE RECORD KEEPING

The Contractor shall maintain, and shall require that its subcontractors and suppliers maintain, complete and accurate records to substantiate compliance with the requirements set forth in the Scope of Services. The Contractor and its subcontractors and suppliers, shall retain such records, and all other documents relevant to the Services furnished under this Agreement for a period of three (3) years from the expiration date of this Agreement and any extension thereof.

## ARTICLE 17. AUDITS

The County, or its duly authorized representatives and governmental agencies, shall until the expiration of three (3) years after the expiration of this Agreement and any extension thereof, have access to and the right to examine and reproduce any of the Contractor's books, documents, papers and records and of its subcontractors and suppliers which apply to all matters of the County. Such records shall subsequently conform to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles requirements, as applicable, and shall only address those transactions related to this Agreement.

Pursuant to Section 2-481 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, the Contractor will grant access to the Commission Auditor to all financial and performance related records, property, and equipment purchased in whole or in part with government funds. The Contractor agrees to maintain an accounting system that provides accounting records that are supported with adequate documentation, and adequate procedures for determining the allowability and allocability of costs.

## **ARTICLE 18. SUBSTITUTION OF PERSONNEL**

In the event the Contractor wishes to substitute personnel for the key personnel identified by the Contractor's Proposal, the Contractor must notify the County in writing and request written approval for the substitution at least ten (10) business days prior to effecting such substitution.

## ARTICLE 19. CONSENT OF THE COUNTY REQUIRED FOR ASSIGNMENT

The Contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey or otherwise dispose of this Agreement, including its rights, title or interest in or to the same or any part thereof without the prior written consent of the County.

## ARTICLE 20. SUBCONTRACTUAL RELATIONS

- a) If the Contractor will cause any part of this Agreement to be performed by a Subcontractor, the provisions of this Contract will apply to such Subcontractor and its officers, agents and employees in all respects as if it and they were employees of the Contractor; and the Contractor will not be in any manner thereby discharged from its obligations and liabilities hereunder, but will be liable hereunder for all acts and negligence of the Subcontractor, its officers, agents, and employees, as if they were employees of the Contractor. The services performed by the Subcontractor will be subject to the provisions hereof as if performed directly by the Contractor.
- b) The Contractor, before making any subcontract for any portion of the services, will state in writing to the County the name of the proposed Subcontractor, the portion of the Services which the Subcontractor is to do, the place of business of such Subcontractor, and such other information as the County may require. The County will have the right to require the Contractor not to award any subcontract to a person, firm or corporation disapproved by the County.
- c) Before entering into any subcontract hereunder, the Contractor will inform the Subcontractor fully and completely of all provisions and requirements of this Agreement relating either directly or indirectly to the Services to be performed. Such Services performed by such Subcontractor will strictly comply with the requirements of this Contract.
- In order to qualify as a Subcontractor satisfactory to the County, in addition to the other requirements herein provided, the Subcontractor must be prepared to prove to the satisfaction of the County that it has the necessary facilities, skill and experience, and ample financial resources to perform the Services in a satisfactory manner. To be considered skilled and experienced, the Subcontractor must show to the satisfaction of the County that it has satisfactorily performed services of the same general type which is required to be performed under this Agreement.
- The County shall have the right to withdraw its consent to a subcontract if it appears to the County that the subcontract will delay, prevent, or otherwise impair the performance of the Contractor's obligations under this Agreement. All Subcontractors are required to protect the confidentiality of the County's and County's proprietary and confidential information. Contractor shall furnish to the County copies of all subcontracts between Contractor and Subcontractors and suppliers hereunder. Within each such subcontract, there shall be a clause for the benefit of the County in the event the County finds the Contractor in breach of this Contract, permitting the County to request completion by the Subcontractor of its performance obligations under the subcontract. The clause shall include an option for the County to pay the Subcontractor directly for the performance by such Subcontractor. Notwithstanding, the foregoing shall neither convey nor imply any obligation or liability on the part of the County to any subcontractor hereunder as more fully described herein.

# ARTICLE 21. <u>ASSUMPTION, PARAMETERS, PROJECTIONS, ESTIMATES AND EXPLANATIONS</u>

The Contractor understands and agrees that any assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates and explanations presented by the County were provided to the Contractor for evaluation purposes only. However, since these assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates and explanations represent predictions of future events the County makes no representations or guarantees; and the County shall not be responsible for the accuracy of the assumptions

presented; and the County shall not be responsible for conclusions to be drawn therefrom; and any assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates and explanations shall not form the basis of any claim by the Contractor. The Contractor accepts all risk associated with using this information.

#### **ARTICLE 22. SEVERABILITY**

If this Agreement contains any provision found to be unlawful, the same shall be deemed to be of no effect and shall be deemed stricken from this Agreement without affecting the binding force of this Agreement as it shall remain after omitting such provision.

## ARTICLE 23. TERMINATION AND SUSPENSION OF WORK

- a) The County may terminate this Agreement if an individual or corporation or other entity attempts to meet its contractual obligation with the County through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement.
- b) The County may, as a further sanction, terminate or cancel any other contract(s) that such individual or corporation or other entity has with the County and that such individual, corporation or other entity shall be responsible for all direct and indirect costs associated with such termination or cancellation, including attorney's fees.
- The foregoing notwithstanding, any individual, corporation or other entity which attempts to meet its contractual obligations with the County through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement may be debarred from County contracting for up to five (5) years in accordance with the County debarment procedures. The Contractor may be subject to debarment for failure to perform and all other reasons set forth in Section 10-38 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.
- d) In addition to cancellation or termination as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the County may at any time, in its sole discretion, with or without cause, terminate this Agreement by written notice to the Contractor.
- e) In the event that the County exercises its right to terminate this Agreement, the Contractor shall, upon receipt of such notice, unless otherwise directed by the County:
  - i. stop work on the date specified in the notice ("the Effective Termination Date");
  - ii. take such action as may be necessary for the protection and preservation of the County's materials and property;
  - iii. cancel orders;
  - iv. assign to the County and deliver to any location designated by the County any noncancelable orders for Deliverables that are not capable of use except in the performance of this Agreement and has been specifically developed for the sole purpose of this Agreement and not incorporated in the Services;
  - v. take no action which will increase the amounts payable by the County under this Agreement; and
- f) In the event that the County exercises its right to terminate this Agreement, the Contractor will be compensated as stated in the payment Articles herein for the:

- i. portion of the Services completed in accordance with the Agreement up to the Effective Termination Date; and
- ii. non-cancelable Deliverables that are not capable of use except in the performance of this Agreement and has been specifically developed for the sole purpose of this Agreement, but not incorporated in the Services.
- g) All compensation pursuant to this Article are subject to audit.

## ARTICLE 24. EVENT OF DEFAULT

- a) An Event of Default shall mean a breach of this Agreement by the Contractor. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, and in addition to those instances referred to herein as a breach, an Event of Default shall include the following:
  - i. the Contractor has not delivered Deliverables on a timely basis;
  - ii. the Contractor has refused or failed to supply enough properly skilled staff personnel;
  - iii. the Contractor has failed to make prompt payment to subcontractors or suppliers for any Services;
  - iv. the Contractor has become insolvent (other than as interdicted by the bankruptcy laws), or has assigned the proceeds received for the benefit of the Contractor's creditors, or the Contractor has taken advantage of any insolvency statute or debtor/creditor law or if the Contractor's affairs have been put in the hands of a receiver;
  - v. the Contractor has failed to obtain the approval of the County where required by this Agreement;
  - vi. the Contractor has failed to provide "adequate assurances" as required under subsection b below:
  - vii. the Contractor has failed in the representation of any warranties stated herein.
- When, in the opinion of the County, reasonable grounds for uncertainty exist with respect to the Contractor's ability to perform the Services or any portion thereof, the County may request that the Contractor, within the timeframe set forth in the County's request, provide adequate assurances to the County, in writing, of the Contractor's ability to perform in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Until the County receives such assurances, the County may request an adjustment to the compensation received by the Contractor for portions of the Services which the Contractor has not performed. In the event that the Contractor fails to provide to the County the requested assurances within the prescribed timeframe, the County may:
  - i. treat such failure as a repudiation of this Agreement; and
  - ii. resort to any remedy for breach provided herein or at law, including but not limited to, taking over the performance of the Services or any part thereof either by itself or through others.

c) In the event the County shall terminate this Agreement for default, the County or its designated representatives may immediately take possession of all applicable equipment, materials, products, documentation, reports and data.

## ARTICLE 25. NOTICE OF DEFAULT - OPPORTUNITY TO CURE

If an Event of Default occurs in the determination of the County, the County may so notify the Contractor ("Default Notice"), specifying the basis for such default, and advising the Contractor that such default must be cured immediately or this Agreement with the County may be terminated. Notwithstanding, the County may, in its sole discretion, allow the Contractor to rectify the default to the County's reasonable satisfaction within a thirty (30) day period. The County may grant an additional period of such duration as the County shall deem appropriate without waiver of any of the County's rights hereunder, so long as the Contractor has commenced curing such default and is effectuating a cure with diligence and continuity during such thirty (30) day period or any other period which the County prescribes. The default notice shall specify the date the Contractor shall discontinue the Services upon the Termination Date.

## ARTICLE 26. REMEDIES IN THE EVENT OF DEFAULT

If an Event of Default occurs, the Contractor shall be liable for all damages resulting from the default, including but not limited to:

- a) lost revenues;
- b) the difference between the cost associated with procuring Services hereunder and the amount actually expended by the County for re-procurement of Services, including procurement and administrative costs; and
- c) such other direct damages.

The Contractor shall also remain liable for any liabilities and claims related to the Contractor's default. The County may also bring any suit or proceeding for specific performance or for an injunction.

# ARTICLE 27. PATENT AND COPYRIGHT INDEMNIFICATION

- a) The Contractor shall not infringe on any copyrights, trademarks, service marks, trade secrets, patent rights, other intellectual property rights or any other third party proprietary rights in the performance of the Work.
- b) The Contractor warrants that all Deliverables furnished hereunder, including but not limited to: equipment, programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, do not infringe upon or violate any copyrights, trademarks, service marks, trade secrets, patent rights, other intellectual property rights or any other third party proprietary rights.
- The Contractor shall be liable and responsible for any and all claims made against the County for infringement of patents, copyrights, service marks, trade secrets or any other third party proprietary rights, by the use or supplying of any programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, in the course of performance or completion of, or in any way connected with, the Work, or the County's continued use of the Deliverables furnished hereunder. Accordingly, the Contractor at its own expense, including the payment of attorney's fees, shall indemnify, and hold harmless the County and defend any action brought against the County with respect to any claim, demand, cause of action, debt, or liability.

- In the event any Deliverable or anything provided to the County hereunder, or portion thereof is held to constitute an infringement and its use is or may be enjoined, the Contractor shall have the obligation to, at the County's option to (i) modify, or require that the applicable subcontractor or supplier modify, the alleged infringing item(s) at its own expense, without impairing in any respect the functionality or performance of the item(s), or (ii) procure for the County, at the Contractor's expense, the rights provided under this Agreement to use the item(s).
- e) The Contractor shall be solely responsible for determining and informing the County whether a prospective supplier or subcontractor is a party to any litigation involving patent or copyright infringement, service mark, trademark, violation, or proprietary rights claims or is subject to any injunction which may prohibit it from providing any Deliverable hereunder. The Contractor shall enter into agreements with all suppliers and subcontractors at the Contractor's own risk. The County may reject any Deliverable that it believes to be the subject of any such litigation or injunction, or if, in the County's judgment, use thereof would delay the Work or be unlawful.

## ARTICLE 28. CONFIDENTIALITY

- All Developed Works and other materials, data, transactions of all forms, financial a) information, documentation, inventions, designs and methods obtained from the County in connection with the Services performed under this Agreement, made or developed by the Contractor or its subcontractors in the course of the performance of such Services, or the results of such Services, or which the County holds the proprietary rights, constitute Confidential Information and may not, without the prior written consent of the County, be used by the Contractor or its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers for any purpose other than for the benefit of the County, unless required by law. In addition to the foregoing, all County employee information and County financial information shall be considered Confidential Information and shall be subject to all the requirements stated herein. Neither the Contractor nor its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers may sell, transfer, publish, disclose, display, license or otherwise make available to others any part of such Confidential Information without the prior written consent of the County. Additionally, the Contractor expressly agrees to be bound by and to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, and their officers and employees from the breach of any federal, state or local law in regard to the privacy of individuals.
- b) The Contractor shall advise each of its employees, agents, subcontractors and suppliers who may be exposed to such Confidential Information of their obligation to keep such information confidential and shall promptly advise the County in writing if it learns of any unauthorized use or disclosure of the Confidential Information by any of its employees or agents, or subcontractor's or supplier's employees, present or former. In addition, the Contractor agrees to cooperate fully and provide any assistance necessary to ensure the confidentiality of the Confidential Information.
- c) It is understood and agreed that in the event of a breach of this Article damages may not be an adequate remedy and the County shall be entitled to injunctive relief to restrain any such breach or threatened breach. Unless otherwise requested by the County, upon the completion of the Services performed hereunder, the Contractor shall immediately turn over to the County all such Confidential Information existing in tangible form, and no copies thereof shall be retained by the Contractor or its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers without the prior written consent of the County. A certificate evidencing compliance with this provision and signed by a representative of the Contractor shall

accompany such materials. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Contractor may retain copies of its work product that contain Confidential Information for archival purposes or to defend its work product and in accordance with legal disaster recovery or record retention requirements, store such copies and derivatives in an archival format (e.g. tape backups).

## ARTICLE 29. PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

As a political subdivision of the State of Florida, Miami-Dade County is subject to the stipulations of Florida's Public Records Law.

The Contractor acknowledges that all computer software in the County's possession may constitute or contain information or materials which the County has agreed to protect as proprietary information from disclosure or unauthorized use and may also constitute or contain information or materials which the County has developed at its own expense, the disclosure of which could harm the County's proprietary interest therein.

During the term of the contract, the Contractor will not use directly or indirectly for itself or for others, or publish or disclose to any third party, or remove from the County's property, any computer programs, data compilations, or other software which the County has developed, has used or is using, is holding for use, or which are otherwise in the possession of the County (hereinafter "Computer Software"). All third-party license agreements must also be honored by the contractors and their employees, except as authorized by the County and, if the Computer Software has been leased or purchased by the County, all hired party license agreements must also be honored by the contractors' employees with the approval of the lessor or Contractors thereof. This includes mainframe, minis, telecommunications, personal computers and any and all information technology software.

The Contractor will report to the County any information discovered or which is disclosed to the Contractor which may relate to the improper use, publication, disclosure or removal from the County's property of any information technology software and hardware and will take such steps as are within the Contractor's authority to prevent improper use, disclosure or removal.

## ARTICLE 30. PROPRIETARY RIGHTS

- a) The Contractor hereby acknowledges and agrees that the County retains all rights, title and interests in and to all materials, data, documentation and copies thereof furnished by the County to the Contractor hereunder or furnished by the Contractor to the County and/or created by the Contractor for delivery to the County, even if unfinished or in process, as a result of the Services the Contractor performs in connection with this Agreement, including all copyright and other proprietary rights therein, which the Contractor as well as its employees, agents, subcontractors and suppliers may use only in connection with the performance of Services under this Agreement. The Contractor shall not, without the prior written consent of the County, use such documentation on any other project in which the Contractor or its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers are or may become engaged. Submission or distribution by the Contractor to meet official regulatory requirements or for other purposes in connection with the performance of Services under this Agreement shall not be construed as publication in derogation of the County's copyrights or other proprietary rights.
- b) All rights, title and interest in and to certain inventions, ideas, designs and methods, specifications and other documentation related thereto developed by the Contractor and

its subcontractors specifically for the County, hereinafter referred to as "Developed Works" shall become the property of the County.

- c) Accordingly, neither the Contractor nor its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers shall have any proprietary interest in such Developed Works. The Developed Works may not be utilized, reproduced or distributed by or on behalf of the Contractor, or any employee, agent, subcontractor or supplier thereof, without the prior written consent of the County, except as required for the Contractor's performance hereunder.
- Except as otherwise provided in subsections a, b, and c above, or elsewhere herein, the d) Contractor and its subcontractors and suppliers hereunder shall retain all proprietary rights in and to all Licensed Software provided hereunder, that have not been customized to satisfy the performance criteria set forth in the Scope of Services. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Contractor hereby grants, and shall require that its subcontractors and suppliers grant, if the County so desires, a perpetual, irrevocable and unrestricted right and license to use, duplicate, disclose and/or permit any other person(s) or entity(ies) to use all such Licensed Software and the associated specifications, technical data and other Documentation for the operations of the County or entities controlling, controlled by, under common control with, or affiliated with the County, or organizations which may hereafter be formed by or become affiliated with the County. Such license specifically includes, but is not limited to, the right of the County to use and/or disclose, in whole or in part, the technical documentation and Licensed Software, including source code provided hereunder, to any person or entity outside the County for such person's or entity's use in furnishing any and/or all of the Deliverables provided hereunder exclusively for the County or entities controlling, controlled by, under common control with, or affiliated with the County, or organizations which may hereafter be formed by or become affiliated with the County. No such License Software, specifications, data, documentation or related information shall be deemed to have been given in confidence and any statement or legend to the contrary shall be void and of no effect.

# ARTICLE 31. VENDOR REGISTRATION/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

a) Vendor Registration

The Contractor shall be a registered vendor with the County – Internal Services Department, Procurement Management Division, for the duration of this Agreement. In becoming a registered vendor with Miami-Dade County, the Contractor confirms its knowledge of and commitment to comply with the following:

- Miami-Dade County Ownership Disclosure Affidavit (Section 2-8.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County)
- Miami-Dade County Employment Disclosure Affidavit (Section 2.8.1(d)(2) of the Code of Miami-Dade County)
- 3. Miami-Dade County Employment Drug-free Workplace Certification (Section 2-8.1.2(b) of the Code of Miami-Dade County)
- 4. Miami-Dade County Disability and Nondiscrimination
  Affidavit
  (Section 2-8.1.5 of the Code of Miami-Dade County)
- 5. Miami-Dade County Debarment Disclosure Affidavit (Section 10.38 of the Code of Miami-Dade County)
- Miami-Dade County Vendor Obligation to County Affidavit

(Section 2-8.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County)

- Miami-Dade County Code of Business Ethics Affidavit (Sections 2-8.1(i), 2-11.1(b)(1) through (6) and (9), and 2-11.1(c) of the Code of Miami-Dade County)
- Miami-Dade County Family Leave Affidavit
   (Article V of Chapter 11 of the Code of Miami-Dade County)
- Miami-Dade County Living Wage Affidavit (Section 2-8.9 of the Code of Miami-Dade County)
- 10. Miami-Dade County Domestic Leave and Reporting Affidavit (Article VIII, Section 11A-60 - 11A-67 of the Code of Miami-Dade County)
- 11. Miami-Dade County E-Verify Affidavit

(Executive Order 11-116)

- 12. Miami-Dade County Pay Parity Affidavit (Resolution R-1072-17)
- 13. Subcontracting Practices (Section 2-8.8 of the Code of Miami-Dade County)
- 14. Subcontractor/Supplier Listing (Section 2-8.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County)
- 15. Form W-9 and 147c Letter
  (as required by the Internal Revenue Service)
- 16. FEIN Number or Social Security Number In order to establish a file, the Contractor's Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) must be provided. If no FEIN exists, the Social Security Number of the owner or individual must be provided. This number becomes Contractor's "County Vendor Number". To comply with Section 119.071(5) of the Florida Statutes relating to the collection of an individual's Social Security Number, be aware that the County requests the Social Security Number for the following purposes:
  - Identification of individual account records

- To make payments to individual/Contractor for goods and services provided to Miami-Dade County
- Tax reporting purposes

State of Florida.

- To provide a unique identifier in the vendor database that may be used for searching and sorting departmental records
- 17. Office of the Inspector General (Section 2-1076 of the Code of Miami-Dade County)
- 18. Small Business Enterprises
   The County endeavors to obtain the participation of all small business enterprises pursuant to Sections 2-8.1.1.1.1, 2-8.1.1.1.2 and 2-8.2.2 of the Code of Miami-Dade County and Title 49 of the Code of Federal
- Regulations.

  19. Antitrust Laws
  By acceptance of any contract, the Contractor agrees to comply with all antitrust laws of the United States and the

b) Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics

Section 2-11.1(d) of the Code of Miami-Dade County requires that any County employee or any member of the employee's immediate family who has a controlling financial interest, direct or indirect, with Miami-Dade County or any person or agency acting for Miami-Dade County, competing or applying for a contract, must first request a conflict of interest opinion from the County's Ethics Commission prior to their or their immediate family member's entering into any contract or transacting any business through a firm, corporation, partnership or business entity in which the employee or any member of the employee's immediate family has a controlling financial interest, direct or indirect, with Miami-Dade County or any person or agency acting for Miami-Dade County. Any such contract or business engagement entered in violation of this subsection, as amended, shall be rendered voidable. All autonomous personnel, quasi-judicial personnel, advisory personnel, and employees wishing to do business with the County are hereby advised they must comply with the applicable provisions of Section 2-11.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County relating to Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics. In accordance with Section 2-11.1 (v), the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics and Public Trust (Ethics Commission) shall be empowered to review, interpret, render advisory opinions and letters of instruction and enforce the Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance.

### ARTICLE 32. INSPECTOR GENERAL REVIEWS

# Independent Private Sector Inspector General Reviews

Pursuant to Miami-Dade County Administrative Order 3-20, the County has the right to retain the services of an Independent Private Sector Inspector General (hereinafter "IPSIG"), whenever the County deems it appropriate to do so. Upon written notice from the County, the Contractor shall make available to the IPSIG retained by the County, all requested records and documentation pertaining to this Agreement for inspection and reproduction. The County shall be responsible for the payment of these IPSIG services, and under no circumstance shall the Contractor's prices and any changes thereto approved by the County, be inclusive of any charges relating to these IPSIG services. The terms of this provision apply to the Contractor, its officers, agents, employees, subcontractors and assignees. Nothing contained in this provision shall impair any independent right of the County to conduct an audit or investigate the operations, activities and

performance of the Contractor in connection with this Agreement. The terms of this Article shall not impose any liability on the County by the Contractor or any third party.

Miami-Dade County Inspector General Review

According to Section 2-1076 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Miami-Dade County has established the Office of the Inspector General which may, on a random basis, perform audits on all County contracts, throughout the duration of said contracts. The cost of the audit for this Contract shall be one quarter (1/4) of one (1) percent of the total contract amount which cost shall be included in the total contract amount. The audit cost will be deducted by the County from progress payments to the Contractor. The audit cost shall also be included in all change orders and all contract renewals and extensions.

Exception: The above application of one quarter (1/4) of one percent fee assessment shall not apply to the following contracts: (a) IPSIG contracts; (b) contracts for legal services; (c) contracts for financial advisory services; (d) auditing contracts; (e) facility rentals and lease agreements; (f) concessions and other rental agreements; (g) insurance contracts; (h) revenue-generating contracts; (l) contracts where an IPSIG is assigned at the time the contract is approved by the Commission; (j) professional service agreements under \$1,000; (k) management agreements; (l) small purchase orders as defined in Miami-Dade County Implementing Order 3-38; (m) federal, state and local government-funded grants; and (n) interlocal agreements. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners may authorize the inclusion of the fee assessment of one quarter (1/4) of one percent in any exempted contract at the time of award.

Nothing contained above shall in any way limit the powers of the Inspector General to perform audits on all County contracts including, but not limited to, those contracts specifically exempted above. The Miami-Dade County Inspector General is authorized and empowered to review past, present and proposed County and Public Health Trust contracts, transactions, accounts, records and programs. In addition, the Inspector General has the power to subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, require the production of records and monitor existing projects and programs. Monitoring of an existing project or program may include a report concerning whether the project is on time, within budget and in conformance with plans, specifications and applicable law. The Inspector General is empowered to analyze the necessity of and reasonableness of proposed change orders to the Contract. The Inspector General shall have the power to audit, investigate, monitor, oversee, inspect and review operations, activities, performance and procurement process, including but not limited to project design, specifications, proposal submittals, activities of the Contractor, its officers, agents and employees, lobbyists, County staff and elected officials to ensure compliance with contract specifications and to detect fraud and corruption.

Upon written notice to the Contractor from the Inspector General or IPSIG retained by the Inspector General, the Contractor shall make all requested records and documents available to the Inspector General or IPSIG for inspection and copying. The Inspector General and IPSIG shall have the right to inspect and copy all documents and records in the Contractor's possession, custody or control which, in the Inspector General's or IPSIG's sole judgment, pertain to performance of the contract, including, but not limited to original estimate files, change order estimate files, worksheets, proposals and agreements form and which successful and unsuccessful subcontractors and suppliers, all project-related correspondence, memoranda, instructions, financial documents, construction documents, proposal and contract documents, back-charge documents, all documents and records which involve cash, trade or volume discounts, insurance proceeds, rebates, or dividends received, payroll and personnel records, and supporting documentation for the aforesaid documents and records.

# ARTICLE 33. LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

Contractor agrees to comply, subject to applicable professional standards, with the provisions of any and all applicable Federal, State and the County orders, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations which may pertain to the Services required under this Agreement, including, but not limited to:

- a) Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), in compliance with Executive Order 11246 as amended and applicable to this Contract.
- b) Miami-Dade County Small Business Enterprises Development Participation Provisions, as applicable to this Contract.
- c) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as applicable to this Contract.
- d) Section 2-11.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, "Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics."
- e) Section 10-38 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, "Debarment of Contractors from County Work."
- f) Section 11A-60 11A-67 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, "Domestic Leave."
- g) Section 21-255 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, prohibiting the presentation, maintenance, or prosecution of false or fraudulent claims against Miami-Dade County.
- h) The Equal Pay Act of 1963, as amended (29 U.S.C. 206(d)).
- i) Section 448.07 of the Florida Statutes "Wage Rate Discrimination Based on Sex Prohibited."
- j) Chapter 11A of the Code of Miami-Dade County (§ 11A-1 et seq.) "Discrimination."
- k) Chapter 22 of the Code of Miami-Dade County (§ 22-1 et seq.) "Wage Theft."
- I) Chapter 8A, Article XIX, of the Code of Miami-Dade County (§ 8A-400 et seq.) "Business Regulations."
- m) Any other laws prohibiting wage rate discrimination based on sex.

Pursuant to Resolution R-1072-17, by entering into this Contract, the Contractor is certifying that the Contractor is in compliance with, and will continue to comply with, the provisions of items "h" through "m" above.

The Contractor shall hold all licenses and/or certifications, obtain and pay for all permits and/or inspections, and comply with all laws, ordinances, regulations and building code requirements applicable to the work required herein. Damages, penalties, and/or fines imposed on the County or Contractor for failure to obtain and maintain required licenses, certifications, permits and/or inspections shall be borne by the Contractor. The Project Manager shall verify the certification(s), license(s), permit(s), etc. for the Contractor prior to authorizing work and as needed.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Contractor shall not be required pursuant to this Agreement to take any action or abstain from taking any action if such action or abstention

would, in the good faith determination of the Contractor, constitute a violation of any law or regulation to which Contractor is subject, including but not limited to laws and regulations requiring that Contractor conduct its operations in a safe and sound manner.

## **ARTICLE 34. NONDISCRIMINATION**

During the performance of this Contract, Contractor agrees to not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, pregnancy, age, disability, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, status as victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, or veteran status, and on housing related contracts the source of income, and will take affirmative action to ensure that employees and applicants are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination. Such action shall be taken with reference to, but not limited to: recruitment, employment, termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training or retraining, including apprenticeship and on the job training.

By entering into this Contract, the Contractor attests that it is not in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (and related Acts) or Miami-Dade County Resolution No. R-385-95. If the Contractor or any owner, subsidiary or other firm affiliated with or related to the Contractor is found by the responsible enforcement agency or the County to be in violation of the Act or the Resolution, such violation shall render this Contract void. This Contract shall be void if the Contractor submits a false affidavit pursuant to this Resolution or the Contractor violates the Act or the Resolution during the term of this Contract, even if the Contractor was not in violation at the time it submitted its affidavit.

## ARTICLE 35. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Contractor represents that:

- a) No officer, director, employee, agent, or other consultant of the County or a member of the immediate family or household of the aforesaid has directly or indirectly received or been promised any form of benefit, payment or compensation, whether tangible or intangible, in connection with the award of this Agreement.
- b) There are no undisclosed persons or entities interested with the Contractor in this Agreement. This Agreement is entered into by the Contractor without any connection with any other entity or person making a proposal for the same purpose, and without collusion, fraud or conflict of interest. No elected or appointed officer or official, director, employee, agent or other consultant of the County, or of the State of Florida (including elected and appointed members of the legislative and executive branches of government), or a member of the immediate family or household of any of the aforesaid:
  - i) is interested on behalf of or through the Contractor directly or indirectly in any manner whatsoever in the execution or the performance of this Agreement, or in the services, supplies or work, to which this Agreement relates or in any portion of the revenues; or
  - ii) is an employee, agent, advisor, or consultant to the Contractor or to the best of the Contractor's knowledge any subcontractor or supplier to the Contractor.
- Neither the Contractor nor any officer, director, employee, agency, parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of the Contractor shall have an interest which is in conflict with the Contractor's faithful performance of its obligation under this Agreement; provided that the County, in its sole discretion, may consent in writing to such a relationship, provided the Contractor provides the County with a written notice, in advance, which identifies all the individuals

and entities involved and sets forth in detail the nature of the relationship and why it is in the County's best interest to consent to such relationship.

- d) The provisions of this Article are supplemental to, not in lieu of, all applicable laws with respect to conflict of interest. In the event there is a difference between the standards applicable under this Agreement and those provided by statute, the stricter standard shall apply.
- e) In the event Contractor has no prior knowledge of a conflict of interest as set forth above and acquires information which may indicate that there may be an actual or apparent violation of any of the above, Contractor shall promptly bring such information to the attention of the County's Project Manager. Contractor shall thereafter cooperate with the County's review and investigation of such information, and comply with the instructions Contractor receives from the Project Manager in regard to remedying the situation.

## ARTICLE 36. PRESS RELEASE OR OTHER PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

Under no circumstances shall the Contractor without the express written consent of the County:

- a) Issue or permit to be issued any press release, advertisement or literature of any kind which refers to the County, or the Work being performed hereunder, unless the Contractor first obtains the written approval of the County. Such approval may be withheld if for any reason the County believes that the publication of such information would be harmful to the public interest or is in any way undesirable; and
- b) Communicate in any way with any contractor, department, board, agency, commission or other organization or any person whether governmental or private in connection with the Services to be performed hereunder except upon prior written approval and instruction of the County; and
- c) Except as may be required by law, the Contractor and its employees, agents, subcontractors and suppliers will not represent, directly or indirectly, that any product or service provided by the Contractor or such parties has been approved or endorsed by the County.

#### ARTICLE 37. BANKRUPTCY

The County reserves the right to terminate this contract, if, during the term of any contract the Contractor has with the County, the Contractor becomes involved as a debtor in a bankruptcy proceeding, or becomes involved in a reorganization, dissolution, or liquidation proceeding, or if a trustee or receiver is appointed over all or a substantial portion of the property of the Contractor under federal bankruptcy law or any state insolvency law.

#### ARTICLE 38. GOVERNING LAW

This Contract, including appendices, and all matters relating to this Contract (whether in contract, statute, tort (such as negligence), or otherwise) shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Florida. Venue shall be Miami-Dade County.

# ARTICLE 39. COUNTY USER ACCESS PROGRAM (UAP)

a) User Access Fee

Pursuant to Section 2-8.10 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, this Contract is subject to a user access fee under the County User Access Program (UAP) in the amount of two percent (2%). All sales resulting from this Contract, or any contract resulting from the solicitation referenced on the first page of this Contract, and the utilization of the County Contract price and the terms and conditions identified herein, are subject to the two percent (2%) UAP. This fee applies to all Contract usage whether by County Departments or by any other governmental, quasi-governmental or not-for-profit entity.

The Contractor providing goods or services under this Contract shall invoice the Contract price and shall accept as payment thereof the Contract price less the 2% UAP as full and complete payment for the goods and/or services specified on the invoice. The County shall retain the 2% UAP for use by the County to help defray the cost of the procurement program. Contractor participation in this invoice reduction portion of the UAP is mandatory.

## b) Joint Purchase

Only those entities that have been approved by the County for participation in the County's Joint Purchase and Entity Revenue Sharing Agreement are eligible to utilize or receive County Contract pricing and terms and conditions. The County will provide to approved entities a UAP Participant Validation Number. The Contractor must obtain the participation number from the entity prior to filling any order placed pursuant to this Section. Contractor participation in this joint purchase portion of the UAP, however, is voluntary. The Contractor shall notify the ordering entity, in writing, within three (3) business days of receipt of an order, of a decision to decline the order.

For all ordering entities located outside the geographical boundaries of Miami-Dade County, the Contractor shall be entitled to ship goods on an "FOB Destination, Prepaid and Charged Back" basis. This allowance shall only be made when expressly authorized by a representative of the ordering entity <u>prior</u> to shipping the goods.

The County shall have no liability to the Contractor for the cost of any purchase made by an ordering entity under the UAP and shall not be deemed to be a party thereto. All orders shall be placed directly by the ordering entity with the Contractor and shall be paid by the ordering entity less the 2% UAP.

#### c) Contractor Compliance

If a Contractor fails to comply with this Article, that Contractor may be considered in default by the County in accordance with Article 24 of this Contract.

# ARTICLE 40. FIRST SOURCE HIRING REFERRAL PROGRAM

Pursuant to Section 2-2113 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, for all contracts for goods and services, the Contractor, prior to hiring to fill each vacancy arising under a County contract shall (1) first notify the South Florida Workforce Investment Board ("SFWIB"), the designated Referral Agency, of the vacancy and list the vacancy with SFWIB according to the Code, and (2) make good faith efforts as determined by the County to fill a minimum of fifty percent (50%) of its employment needs under the County contract through the SFWIB. If no suitable candidates can be employed after a Referral Period of three to five days, the Contractor is free to fill its vacancies from other sources. Contractor will be required to provide quarterly reports to the SFWIB indicating the name and number of employees hired in the previous quarter, or why referred candidates were rejected. Sanctions for non-compliance shall include, but not be limited to: (i)

suspension of contract until Contractor performs obligations, if appropriate; (ii) default and/or termination; and (iii) payment of \$1,500/employee, or the value of the wages that would have been earned given the noncompliance, whichever is less. Registration procedures and additional information regarding the FSHRP are available at <a href="https://iapps.careersourcesfl.com/firstsource/">https://iapps.careersourcesfl.com/firstsource/</a>.

# ARTICLE 41. PUBLIC RECORDS AND CONTRACTS FOR SERVICES PERFORMED ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

The Contractor shall comply with the Public Records Laws of the State of Florida, including by not limited to, (1) keeping and maintaining all public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the County in order to perform the service; (2) providing the public with access to public records on the same terms and conditions that the County would provide the records and at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, F.S., or as otherwise provided by law; (3) ensuring that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law; and (4) meeting all requirements for retaining public records and transferring, at no cost, to the County all public records in possession of the Contractor upon termination of the contract and destroying any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements upon such transfer. In addition, all records stored electronically must be provided to the County in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the County. Failure to meet any of these provisions or to comply with Florida's Public Records Laws as applicable shall be a material breach of this Agreement and shall be enforced in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT (305) 375-5773, ISD-VSS@MIAMIDADE.GOV, 111 NW 1st STREET, SUITE 1300, MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128

## ARTICLE 42. SURVIVAL

The parties acknowledge that any of the obligations in this Agreement will survive the term, termination and cancellation hereof. Accordingly, the respective obligations of the Contractor and the County under this Agreement, which by nature would continue beyond the termination, cancellation or expiration thereof, shall survive termination, cancellation or expiration hereof.

# ARTICLE 43. INDIVIDUALLY IDENTIFIABLE HEALTH INFORMATION and/or PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

Any person or entity that performs or assists Miami-Dade County with a function or activity involving the use or disclosure of "Individually Identifiable Health Information (IIHI) and/or Protected Health Information (PHI) shall comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996 and the Miami-Dade County Privacy Standards Administrative Order. HIPAA mandates for privacy, security and electronic transfer standards, include but are not limited to:

- Use of information only for performing services required by the contract or as required by law;
- 2. Use of appropriate safeguards to prevent non-permitted disclosures;

- 3. Reporting to Miami-Dade County of any non-permitted use or disclosure;
- Assurances that any agents and subcontractors agree to the same restrictions and conditions that apply to the Contractor and reasonable assurances that IIHI/PHI will be held confidential;
- 5. Making Protected Health Information (PHI) available to the customer;
- 6. Making PHI available to the customer for review and amendment; and incorporating any amendments requested by the customer at the direction of the County;
- 7. Making PHI available to Miami-Dade County for an accounting of disclosures; and
- 8. Making internal practices, books and records related to PHI available to Miami-Dade County for compliance audits.

PHI shall maintain its protected status regardless of the form and method of transmission (paper records, and/or electronic transfer of data). The Contractor must give its customers written notice of its privacy information practices including specifically, a description of the types of uses and disclosures that would be made with protected health information.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement effective as of the contract date herein above set forth.

Contractor	Miami-Dade County
By: podi Mr. Name: Jodie Petrore Title: Area President	By: Carlos A. Gimenez  Title: Mayor
Date: 6/15/2018	Date: 8/20/18
Attest: Chely Haneal	Attest:
Corporate Secretary/Notary Public	Clerk of the Board
Corporate Seal/Notary Seal	Approved as to form and legal sufficiency
WENDY HERNANDEZ  Notary Public - State of Florida  Commission # FF 184203  My Comm. Expires Apr 12, 2019  Bonded through National Notary Assn.	Assistant County Attorney

# APPENDIX A SCOPE OF SERVICES

1. Background

The County's Employee Benefits Program, administered by the Benefits and Compensation Division of the Human Resources Department, provides a wide array of benefits to eligible employees, retirees, Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation (COBRA) participants, and eligible dependents. Benefit plans include group medical, dental, vision, term life, supplemental life, disability, legal, Florida Retirement System administered pension benefits, and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Section 125 flexible spending accounts and Sections 457(b) and 401(a) tax-deferred retirement plans. The County operates on a fiscal year beginning October 1 and continuing through September 30. The majority of these benefits are currently offered on a calendar/plan year basis (January 1 through December 31).

For purposes of the Scope of Services, the words "Lead Managing Consultant" to mean designated consultant responsible for the strategic day-to-day oversight of the County's consulting projects, managing consultant-County relationship, serving as an advisor while understanding the County's goals and objectives, and utilizing team resources appropriately in delivering timely and superior consulting services. The words "Third Party Administrator" or "Administrator" to mean an organization (e.g., AvMed) that processes claims and performs other administrative services in accordance with a service contract.

## 2. Contractor and Staff Qualification

The Contractor:

A. Must be registered with the State of Florida, Division of corporations to do business in Florida, and must be licensed by the Florida Department of Financial Services, Division of Insurance Agent and Agency Services, to provide the services requested herein.

B. Must be an independent consulting firm and not affiliated with any insurance company, third

party administration agency, or insurance provider network.

C. Shall have a minimum of ten (10) years of insurance consulting experience with public or private sector organizations with groups of 10,000 employees or greater.

D. Lead Managing Consultant shall hold a minimum of seven (7) years of experience in progressively responsible administrative oversight of public sector benefits and the application of State of Florida Regulations.

## 3. Program Overview and Plan Benefits

The County currently offers eligible employees the following:

- Medical Insurance
- Dental Insurance
- Vision Insurance
- Wellness Program
- Basic Life Insurance
- Supplemental Life Insurance
- Flexible Spending Account
- Legal Plan
- Short and Long Term Disability
- Deferred Compensation

- COBRA
- Florida Retirement System (FRS)
- Life Insurance and AD&D In line-of-duty (ILOD)
- Life Insurance
   – Special Risk (FL Statute)

## 4. General Requirements and Services to be Provided

The Contractor's responsibilities shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

### A. Financial and Actuarial Services

- 1. Provide an evaluation of the actuarial soundness of the County's self-funded medical plan and supplemental plan for Medicare eligible retirees.
- 2. Prepare an annual Actuarial Certification filing of the self-funded medical plan, as required by the State of Florida's Department of Financial Services, Office of Insurance Regulations.
- 3. Provide annual financial forecasting of the County's self-funded medical plan, to include the supplemental plan, and prepare renewal projections reports.
- 4. Analyze financial data provided to the County by the self-funded medical plan Administrator and validate proposed rates based on underwriting methodology. Assist the County in negotiating rate renewals with both the self-funded and fully-insured plan providers.
- 5. Conduct various financial studies, as necessary and requested by the County, including those required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).
- 6. Prepare data driven analysis (e.g., numerical, historical, demographic, actuarial, etc.) and present the annual Executive Summary Rate Analysis Report to the County's Labor Healthcare Committee based on those findings. Contractor shall provide recommendations to the Labor Healthcare Committee that support the total program costs and proposed employer and employee annual medical insurance renewal rates.
- 7. Provide to the County required data for the accurate and timely reporting under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). At the County's request, the Contractor shall provide advice and interpretation of federal benefit regulations to complete reporting task.
- 8. Provide actuarially based cost projections for various plan design alternatives and improvements based on the review of current plan experience, as well as industry trends, variable enrollment assumptions and contribution strategies.

## B. Self-funded Plan Performance Monitoring and Auditing

- 1. Monitor the performance of, and compliance with, all established contractual requirements of the self-funded medical plan.
- 2. Secure statistical reports, etc., directly from the self-funded medical plan Administrator's depository to evaluate and ensure compliance with contracted performance standards levels. Contractor shall ascertain financial penalties for performance noncompliance have been properly recorded and liquidated damages assessed against the self-funded medical plan Administrator.
- 3. Conduct annual audit of the Pharmacy Benefits Management (PBM) Program agreement for the review and compliance of all formulary rebates to determine if the County receives guaranteed rebate amounts, in accordance with contractual obligations.4. Request directly from the self-funded medical plan Administrator the

Quarterly Rebate and Annual Reconciliation Report for the purpose of its review and subsequent briefing of the County's Project Manager on findings and conclusions.

## C. Strategic Review of Benefit Plan Designs

- 1. Analyze current County plan designs and recommend changes as necessary, based on market analysis, legislation and availability, to better meet the County's Employee Benefits Program's service objectives and to provide opportunities for cost containment.
- 2. Assist in the preparation for, and participate in, the meetings held between labor bargaining units and the County to discuss benefit contract issues, such as cost estimates for new or upgraded/downgraded benefit programs and methodology for rate calculations. The Contractor shall smooth the progress of discussions between the two parties addressing emerging trends, critical success factors, and the potential impact to the County. Contractor shall also be available to conduct educational workshops/presentations on key legislation affecting employee benefits, for the benefit of County Human Resources' employees, union officials, fiduciary administrators and other service providers, as specified by the County.
- 3. Provide technical support, as deemed necessary, to the County' Employee Benefits Program, in identifying and incorporating best plan and funding designs for all group benefits offered to County employees.
- 4. Provide professional legal consulting support and advice on the review of recommended plan amendments and for other benefits-related matters, as necessary, to ensure compliance with federal and state legislation.
- 5. Advise the County on short-term and long-term direction of benefits plan design and funding and explain any significant variations that would warrant redesign.
- 6. Advise the County in establishing strategic goals with respect to employee benefits and the Employee Wellness Management Program for the purpose of improving the overall health of employee population, and managing cost effectiveness.

# D. Federal, State and Local Legal Compliance, Research Services and Related Requirements

- 1. Provide research, advice and interpretation of federal, state and local benefit regulations and legislation. The Contractor shall provide interpretation of regulation and legislation, upon the County's request.
- Provide professional legal consulting support and advice on specific service research, compliance related issues, and other general matters, as deemed necessary by the County.
- 3. Provide timely updates of proposed and effectuated changes in the legal environment that affect employee benefits (e.g., Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), PPACA, COBRA, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), and (IRS) Sections 125, 457(b), 401(a), etc.), including any tax law newsletters or special advisories released.
- 4. Review plan design documents of self-funded medical and IRS Section 125 flexible benefits plans, and Sections 457(b) and 401(a) tax-deferred retirement plans, for compliance with applicable governing laws.
- 5. Obtain IRS private letter rulings for the County, as necessary and applicable, at the discretion of the County, in consultation with the Contractor.

6. Ensure compliance with all provisions/requirements of the PPACA.

Contractor's personnel performing these services must possess knowledge of Florida law as it pertains to employee benefits for political subdivisions of the State.

# E. Development of Request for Proposals (RFP), Proposal Review and Negotiations

- Provide assistance and technical expertise in reviewing competitive RFPs, including the establishment of appropriate performance standards, in development by the County.
- 2. Assist in the formulation of technical responses to inquiries received by prospective vendors and to be issued via addenda to an RFP.
- 3. Provide assistance in assessing qualifications and analyzing data provided in proposals received from prospective vendors. Contractor may be required to participate in the Competitive Selection Committee meetings as deemed necessary by the County, at its sole discretion.
- 4. Test the adequacy of proposed provider and pharmacy networks, analyze hospital, physician and pharmacy discounts, perform geographic-access match studies, and conduct medical provider/prescription disruption analyses.
- 5. Provide negotiations assistance to the County, as deemed necessary by the County, in assessing the rates and fees proposed by the prospective vendors and in negotiating competitive rates, discounts and services for current and future projects.

## F. Retirement Services - Deferred Compensation Plans

- 1. Plan and Fee Benchmarking
  - Conduct benchmarking to determine if fees are reasonable and there is value for services received and issue a comprehensive report detailing findings of the benchmark process.
  - Based upon results of the benchmarking, conduct negations with the County's service providers to bring fees to an acceptable level for the Plan and its Fiduciaries.
  - Review all changes in provisions and language to contracts and service agreements between the parties for any modification.
- 2. Investment Policy Statement and Investment Monitoring
  Provide, review and update the County's Investment Policy Statement tied to
  investment monitoring criteria, and provide quarterly investment monitoring reports.
  - i. Investment Advisory
    - Provide a documented monitoring and analysis process that evaluates plan investments in accordance with the County's plan Investment Policy by their adherence to the plan investment's stated styles and objectives.
    - Provide recommendations on appropriate course of action to take with regard to the status of each fund reviewed and analyzed. This will include recommendations on adding appropriate funds to a "watch list" or removing funds from a "watch list".
    - Provide a written Investment Monitoring Report. The report should cover, among other areas, the following: market & economic overview; plan asset allocation review (current and prior quarter); general asset category review;

- plan specific asset representation review; summary fund analysis compared to investment policy criteria; individual fund analysis.
- Provide guidance and recommendations of alternative selections to use in the
  event that a fund needs to be replaced, i.e., provide a fund analysis of
  comparable category funds offered by the County's provider, and if requested,
  oversee the entire fund replacement/integration process.

#### 3. Governance

- Fiduciary Risk Mitigation Process
  - Develop a Fiduciary training manual, perform a review of oversight entity, organization and operations.
  - Assist in the preparation of any corporate governance documents desired.
  - Develop Plan Governance Best Practices including Fiduciary and safe harbor checklists; Fiduciary training manual; Fiduciary liability and Errors & Omissions insurance checklists; Fiduciary Stewardship and governance assistance including education of Plan Fiduciaries.

#### G. Other Related Duties

- 1. Provide ongoing support, review, and interpretation of plan provisions and IRS regulations for Section 125 flexible benefits plan.
- 2. Provide ongoing support, review, and interpretation of plan provisions and IRS regulations for Sections 457(b) and 401(a) tax-deferred retirement plans. Contractor will provide the County with key observations from the portfolio information.
- 3. Develop employee communications, including formulation of employee surveys and focus groups, as deemed necessary by the County. All findings and statistical analysis conducted shall be presented, in writing, to the County's Project Manager upon completion.
- 4. Assist with retirement, investment, and annuity placement consulting for executive level management, as deemed necessary by the County.
- 5. Provide specialized actuarial studies for supplemental retirement benefits.
- 6. Conduct benefit plan modeling, as requested by the County.
- 7. Work collaboratively with other County consultants and the County Attorney's Office.
- 8. Attend meetings with various providers under contract with the County, or with County staff not directly involved with the Employee Benefits Program, at the County Project Manager's request.
- 9. At the County's request, anticipated to be not less than bi-annually, the Contractor shall present to the County for consideration, a list of three (3) to five (5) critical topics that are relevant to employee benefit programs and health and welfare. The County will identify the topics that best align with its objectives, at the County's sole discretion. The Contractor will prepare an analysis that identifies observations and recommendations for the County to consider.
- 10. Provide ad-hoc analysis and benefits related reporting to the County, as deemed necessary by the County.
- 11. Provide other related consulting services, as identified by the County.

H. Services provided as Flat Fee

The following services have been negotiated on a Flat Fee basis. These services shall be invoiced as a fixed fee after delivery of the final reports to the County, in accordance to Appendix B. These services shall be provided upon request from the County.

#### a) Medical Claims Audit Report

Conduct annual onsite claims audit of the County's self-funded medical plan (including mental health claims) at the plan Administrator's facility, as requested the County, to include review and compliance with contractually-established:

- · Performance standards;
- · Payment accuracy of claims;
- · Coding accuracy of claims;
- · Claims turnaround time, and
- · Plan provisions accuracy.

Any errors identified by Contractor must be properly classified as financial or non-financial and presented in a written findings report annually, or upon completion of the audit, to the County's Project Manager.

Approach

Contractor will perform statistically valid claim audits. The audit will be based on a stratified random claim sample of sufficient size to be deemed statistically valid and highly representative of the County's claim population. Contractor will provide the plan Administrator with the list of claims to be audited and will arrange for an onsite visit to review the claim documents. Contractor will prepare a draft report of their audit findings and allow the plan Administrator to respond to the draft. Following that, a final report will be issued. Contractor will be available to respond to questions from the County.

#### **Audit Timeline**

The timeline of the audit is outlined below, unless otherwise approved by the Project Manager at time of request.

Audit requested by County	Week 1
Contractor provides the County with notification letter(s) for sending to plan Administrator	Week 1
Contractor sends plan Administrator scope letter(s) outlining all components of the audit(s) and requesting the claims data file(s)	Week 2
Plan Administrator submits request(s) for County and Contractor to sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA)	Week 3
County and Contractor review and sign NDA and return to Plan Administrator	Weeks 3 and 4
Plan Administrator submits claims data file(s) to Contractor	Week 6
Contractor documents the usability of the claims data and selects the stratified, random sample for the claims audit	Week 7
Contractor submits the selected sample of claims to plan Administrator and establishes date(s) for the on-site review of claims	Week 8
Contractor performs on-site review of plan Administrator	Week 12
Open issues from the on-site claims audit are resolved	Week 13

Contractor prepares DRAFT report of the audit results for Plan Administrator's review	Week 14
Plan Administrator responds to DRAFT report	Week 16
Contractor issues FINAL audit report to County	Week 16

#### **Audit Results**

The results of the medical claims audit is presented in a written Report of Findings. In this report, Contractor shall document the audit scope, source data used, sampling methodology, and summarize claims audits findings, and make recommendations for improvement, where necessary.

The nature of each and every individual adjudication error recorded during the claims audit will be addressed including identification of the root cause of the error (manual adjudicator error, systemic error, etc.) and Contractor's recommendations for identifying similar errors in claims not included in the selected sample.

Contractor will also summarize its claims audit findings with respect to each of the following key performance metrics:

- a. Administrative Error Rate (i.e., the percentage of claims which contain non-financial errors and/or errors for which the exact financial effect cannot be determined).
- b. Financial Error Rate (i.e., the percentage of claims which contain overpayments and/or underpayments).
- c. Percent of Benefits Paid in Error (i.e., the percentage of benefit dollars paid in error).
- d. Turnaround Time (i.e., the number of calendar and/or business days from the day that a claim is received by the plan Administrator through the day that the claim is fully processed and ready for issuance of an explanation of benefits, and payment, if applicable).

Finally, Contractor will compare actual performance as measured by the claims audit to the plan Administrator internal quality standards, to industry standards for acceptable administrative quality, and to the standards established in any applicable performance agreements.

# b) Retiree Health Benefits - Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Financial Report

#### Background

GASB establishes uniform financial reporting and accounting standards for state and local governments for post-employment benefits other than pensions ("OPEB"). Actuarial valuations of the total pension liability are required to be performed at least every two years, with more frequent valuations encouraged. If a valuation is not performed as of the pension plan's fiscal year-end, the total pension liability is required to be based on update procedures to roll forward amounts from an earlier actuarial valuation (performed as of a date no more than 24 months prior to the pension plan's fiscal year-end).

#### **Approach**

Contractor will review and analyze all retiree benefits and develop assumptions based on the County's retiree health benefit program and associated experience. Contractor will request from County a current (active and retiree) census, historical claim and enrollment data, retiree plan design and eligibility, fully insured premium rates and retiree contribution requirements. Using this information, Contractor will project expected future liability of all current and potential retired members. Contractor will issue any responses needed to external auditor inquiries, including

providing the census data files, assumptions used, and confirmation letters for the two years that the report covers. Contractor will allocate a minimum of two in person meetings to present the results.

**GASB Report** 

Contractor will issue a formal valuation report covering the fiscal year of the request of the report by County and roll forward valuation for the subsequent fiscal year, which includes the following:

- 1. All required GASB disclosures, including the Actuarial Accrued Liability, Annual Required Contribution, Net OPEB Obligation, and Annual OPEB Cost.
- 2. Documentation of all plan provisions and assumptions used in the valuation.
- 3. A sensitivity analysis of the impact of a variation in assumed trend rates.
- 4. A 10-year projection of cash flows for the retiree benefit program.
- 5. The employees from the following entities will be identified and their associated costs separately calculated (subject to change as a result departmental reorganizations):

Solid Waste Management Department

Seaport Department

**Aviation Department** 

Water and Sewer Department

Transit Operations (within Dept. of Transportation and Public Works)

Public Works Operations (within Dept. of Transportation and Public Works)

Public Housing and Community Development Department

Rickenbacker Causeway Operations (within Dept. of Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces)

Venetian Causeway Operations (within Dept. of Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces)

Clerk of the Courts

South Florida Employee Training Consortium (SFETC)

Other

Employees of the Public Health Trust will be identified so that they may be excluded from the valuation.

#### Timeline

The timeline for the development and delivery of GASB financial report, unless otherwise approved by the Project Manager at time of request, is as follows:

- 1. Request from County Week 1
- 2. Data gathering by County Week 2
- 3. Analysis of data & finalization of assumptions Week 3
- 4. Completion of initial actuarial projections Week 4 and 5
- 5. Development of draft actuarial report Week 6
- 6. Review of draft report by County Week 7
- 7. Finalization and presentation of report within 2 days of review of draft by County

#### 5. Work Order Assignments

Except for the Flat Fee services listed above, when the need arises, the County anticipates preparing a work plan which provides the Contractor with information regarding the anticipated deliverables for each particular project. After a work plan has been prepared by the County, the Contractor shall prepare a written engagement letter for review and approval by the County. The engagement letter must be received by the County as defined in each work plan, and should include the following:

- a. Description of the proposed approach and specific deliverables;
- b. Project schedule and completion date;
- c. Proposed staff to perform the work, including job title, hourly rate and estimated number of hours each will spend on the assignment;
- d. Breakdown of the cost per staff person (not to exceed maximum contracted rates); and
- e. Total not-to-exceed cost for the assignment, if requested.

The County anticipates issuing Work Orders based on each approved work plan/engagement letter (which may require negotiations with the Contractor). The County may modify, suspend, or cancel a request for a work plan/engagement letter at any time at no cost to the County. All costs associated with estimating a project shall be borne by the Contractor. The Contractor shall not have any claim, financial or otherwise, against the County as a result of the County modifying, suspending or canceling a Work Order.

### **APPENDIX B**

#### PRICE SCHEDULE

The maximum hourly rates for providing the required services for the term of the Contract are as follows:

Position	Maximum Hourly Rate
Lead Managing Consultant	\$278
Senior Consultant/Wellness Consultant/ Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)	\$258
Retirement Consultant	\$258
Pharmacy Consultant	\$258
Consultant	\$175
Fellow Actuary	\$294
Associate Actuary	\$232
Compliance Consultant	\$278
Gallagher Medical Doctor	\$300
Subcontracted Legal Consultant	\$300-\$600

Flat Fee Services		
Medical Claims Audit Report	\$45,000	
Retiree Health Benefits - GASB Financial Report	\$25,000	

#### Notes:

- 1. All rates shall remain fixed and firm for the term of the Contract, including any extension periods.
- 2. Except for Flat Fee Services, compensation to the Contractor shall be based on approved Work Orders.
- 3. Flat Fee Services may be invoiced upon delivery of report and acceptance by County.
- 4. All rates include all out-of-pocket expenses, including but not limited to materials, employee travel, per diem, and miscellaneous costs and fees. Any additional cost, including travel time, will not be reimbursed separately by the County.
- 5. The words "Fellow Actuary" and "Associate Actuary" to mean the individual(s) that have attained these designations through the Society of Actuaries.

#### APPENDIX C

## HIPAA BUSINESS ASSOCIATE ADDENDUM

This HIPAA Business Associate Addendum ("Addendum") supplements and is made a part of the Agreement by and between the Miami-Dade County, Florida ("County"), and Gallagher Benefit Services, Inc., Business Associate ("Associate").

#### RECITALS

- A. As part of the Agreement, it is necessary for the County to disclose certain information ("Information") to Associate pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, some of which may constitute Protected Health Information ("PHI").
- B. County and Associate intend to protect the privacy and provide for the security of PHI, including but not limited to, PHI, disclosed to Associate pursuant to the Agreement in compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191 ("HIPAA") and regulations promulgated thereunder by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (the "HIPAA Regulations") and other applicable laws.
- C. The purpose of this Addendum is to satisfy certain standards and requirements of HIPAA and the HIPAA Regulations, including, but not limited to, Title 45, Sections 164.308(b), 164.314(a), 164.502(e) and 164.504(e) of the Code of Federal Regulations ("CFR"), as the same may be amended from time to time.

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

- 1. <u>Definitions.</u> Terms used, but not otherwise defined, shall have the same meaning as those terms in 45 CFR Sections 160.103, 164.304 and 164.501.
- a. "Business Associate" shall have the meaning given to such term under the HIPAA Regulations, including, but not limited to, 45 CFR Section 160.103.
- b. "Covered Entity" shall have the meaning given to such term under HIPAA and the HIPAA Regulations, including, but not limited to, 45 CFR Section 160.103.
- c. <u>"Protected Health Information" or "PHI"</u> means any information received or created by Business Associate, from or on behalf of the Covered Entity, whether oral or recorded in any form or medium: (i) that relates to the past, present or future physical or mental condition of an individual, the provision of health care to an individual, or the past, present or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual; and (ii) that identifies the individual or with respect to which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual, and shall have the meaning given to such term under HIPAA and the HIPAA Regulations, including, but not limited to 45 CFR Section 1103. [45 CFR Parts 160, 162 and 164]
- d. <u>"Electronic Protected Health Information" or "ePHI"</u> means any information that is transmitted or maintained in electronic media: (i) that relates to the past, present or future physical or mental condition of an individual, the provision of health care to an individual, or the past, present or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual. and (ii) that identifies the individual or with respect to which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual,

and shall have the meaning given to such term under HIPAA and the HIPAA Regulations, including, but not limited to 45 CFR Section 160.103. [45 CFR Parts 160, 162 and 164]

- e. <u>"Electronic Media"</u> shall have the meaning given to such term under HIPAA and the HIPAA Regulations, including but not limited to, 45 CFR Section 160.103.
- f. <u>"Security incident"</u> shall have the meaning given to such term under HIPAA and the HIPAA Regulations, including but not limited to, 45 CFR Section 164.304.

#### 2. Obligations of Associate.

- a. <u>Permitted Uses and Disclosures.</u> Associate may use and/or disclose PHI received by Associate pursuant to the Agreement ("County's PHI") solely in accordance with the specifications set forth in the Scope of Services, Appendix A. In the event of any conflict between this Addendum and Appendix A, this Addendum shall control. [45 CFR § 164.504(e)(2)(i)]
- b. <u>Nondisclosure.</u> Associate shall not use or further disclose County's PHI other than as permitted or required by law. [45 CFR § 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(A)]
- c. <u>Safeguards.</u> Associate shall use appropriate safeguards to prevent use or disclosure of County's PHI in a manner other than as provided in this Addendum. [45 CFR § 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(B)] Associate shall maintain a comprehensive written information security program that includes administrative, technical and physical safeguards appropriate to the size and complexity of the Associate's operations and the nature and scope of its activities. Appropriate safeguards used by Associate shall protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the PHI and ePHI that is created, received, maintained, or transmitted on behalf of the County. [45 CFR § 164.314(a)(2)(i)(A)] County has at its sole discretion, the option to audit and inspect, the Associate's safeguards at any time during the life of the Agreement, upon reasonable notice being given to Associate for production of documents and coordination of inspection(s).
- d. <u>Reporting of Disclosures.</u> Associate shall report to the County's Project Manager, any use or disclosure of the County's PHI in a manner other than as provided in this Addendum. [45 CFR § 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(c)] Associate shall report to the County through the County's Project Manager, any security incident of which it becomes aware within forty-eight (48) hours of discovery of the incident. [45 CFR § 164.314(a)(2)(i)(C)]
- e. <u>Associate's Agents.</u> Associate agrees and shall ensure that any agents, including subcontractors, to whom it provides PHI received from (or created or received by Associate on behalf of) the County, agrees in writing to the same restrictions and conditions that apply to Associate with respect to such PHI and that such agents conduct their operations within the United States. Associate agrees and shall ensure that any agents, including subcontractors, to whom it provides ePHI received, created, maintained, or transmitted on behalf of the County, agrees in writing to implement reasonable and appropriate safeguards to protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of that ePHI. [45 CFR § 164.314(a)(2)(i)(B)] In no case may Associate's Agents reside and operate outside of the United States.
- f. <u>Documentation of Disclosures.</u> Associate agrees to document disclosures of the County's PHI and information related to such disclosures as would be required for the County to respond to a request by an individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI. Associate agrees to provide the County or an individual, in a time and manner designated by the County, information collected in accordance with the Agreement, to permit the County to respond to such a request for an accounting. [45 CFR § 164.528]

- g. <u>Availability of Information to County.</u> Associate shall make available to the County such information as the County may require to fulfill the County's obligations to provide access to, provide a copy of, and account for, disclosures of PHI pursuant to HIPAA and the HIPAA Regulations, including, but not limited to, 45 CFR Sections 164.524 and 164.528. [45 CFR § 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(E) and (G)]
- h. <u>Amendment of PHI.</u> Associate shall make the County's PHI available to the County as may be required to fulfill the County's obligations to amend PHI pursuant to HIPAA and the HIPAA Regulations, including, but not limited to, 45 CFR Section 164.526 and Associate shall, as directed by the County, incorporate any amendments to the County's PHI into copies of such PHI maintained by Associate, and in the time and manner designated by the County. [45 CFR § 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(F)]
- i. <u>Internal Practices.</u> Associate shall make its internal practices, books and records relating to the use and disclosure of the County's PHI (or PHI created or received by Associate on behalf of the County) available to the County and to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in a time and manner designated by the County or the Secretary for purposes of determining Associate's compliance with HIPAA and the HIPAA Regulations. [45 CFR § 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(H) and 45 CFR Part 64, Subpart C.]
- j. <u>Mitigation.</u> Associate agrees to mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Associate of a use or disclosure of the County's PHI by Associate in violation of the requirements of this Addendum.
- k. <u>Associate's Insurance.</u> Associate agrees to maintain the insurance coverage provided in the Agreement.
- 1. <u>Notification of Breach.</u> Associate shall notify the County within twenty-four (24) hours, and shall provide written notice no later than forty-eight (48) hours of any suspected or actual breach of security, intrusion or unauthorized disclosure of PHI and/or any actual or suspected disclosure of data in violation of any applicable federal or state laws or regulations. Associate shall take (i) prompt corrective action to cure any such deficiencies, and (ii) any action pertaining to such unauthorized disclosure required by applicable federal and state laws and regulations.
- m. <u>Expenses.</u> Any and all expenses incurred by Associate in compliance with the terms of this Addendum or in compliance with the HIPAA Regulations shall be borne by Associate.
- n. No Third Party Beneficiary. The provisions and covenants set forth in this Agreement are expressly entered into only by and between Associate and the County and are intended only for their benefit. Neither Associate nor the County intends to create or establish any third party beneficiary status or right (or the equivalent thereof) in any other third party nor shall any other third party have any right to enforce or enjoy any benefit created or established by the provisions and covenants in this Agreement.
- 3. Audits, Inspection and Enforcement. From time to time, after reasonable notice, upon any breach of this Addendum by Associate, the County may inspect the facilities, systems, books and records of Associate to monitor compliance with this Addendum. Associate shall promptly remedy any violation of this Addendum and shall certify the same to the County in writing. The fact that the County inspects, or fails to utilize its right to inspect, Associate's facilities, systems, books, records, and procedures does not relieve Associate of its responsibility to comply with this Addendum, nor does the County's (i) failure to detect or (ii) detection, but failure to notify Associate or require Associate to remedy such breach, constitute acceptance of such practice or a waiver of the County's enforcement rights under this Addendum.

#### 4. Termination.

- a. <u>Material Breach.</u> A breach by Associate of any provision of this Addendum, shall constitute a material breach of the Agreement and shall provide grounds for immediate termination of the Agreement by the County. [45 CFR § 164.504(e)(3) and 45 CFR § 164.314(a)(2)(i)(D)]
- b. <u>Termination for Cause Reasonable Steps to Cure Breach.</u> If the County recognizes 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 and does not terminate the Agreement pursuant to Section 4a, above, the County may provide an opportunity for Associate to end the violation or cure the breach within five (5) days, or other cure period as may be specified in the Agreement. If Associate does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time period provided, the County may immediately terminate the Agreement.
- c. <u>Judicial or Administrative Proceedings.</u> The County may terminate the Agreement, effective immediately, if (i) Associate is named as a defendant in a criminal or administrative proceeding for a violation of HIPAA, or (ii) a finding or stipulation that Associate has violated any standard or requirement of the HIPAA Regulations (or other security or privacy law) is made in any administrative or civil proceeding.
- d. <u>Effect of Termination.</u> Upon termination of the Agreement for any reason, Associate shall return or destroy as directed by the County all PHI, including but not limited to ePHI, received from the County (or created or received by Associate on behalf of the County) that Associate still maintains in any form. This provision shall also apply to County PHI that is in the possession of subcontractors or agents of Associate. Associate shall retain no copies of such PHI or, if return or destruction is not feasible, Associate shall provide to the County notification of the conditions that make return or destruction infeasible, and shall continue to extend the protections of this Addendum to such information, and limit further use or disclosure of such PHI to those purposes that make the return or destruction of such PHI infeasible. [45 CFR § 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(I)]
- 5. <u>Indemnification.</u> Associate shall indemnify and hold harmless the County and its officers, employees, trustees, agents, and instrumentalities (the indemnified parties) from any and all liability, losses or damages, including attorneys' fees and costs of defense, which the County or its officers, trustees, employees, agents or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to, or resulting from the performance of this Addendum by Associate or its employees, agents, servants, partners, principals, or subcontractors. Associate shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits, or actions of any kind or nature in the name of any of the indemnified parties, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorney's fees which may issue thereon. Associate expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by this Addendum, or otherwise provided by Associate, shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless and defend the indemnified parties as herein provided. This paragraph shall survive the termination of the Agreement.
- **6.** <u>Limitation of Liability.</u> Nothing in this Addendum shall be construed to affect or limit the County's sovereign immunity as set forth in Florida Statutes, Section 768.28.

#### 7. Amendment.

a. Amendment to Comply with Law. The parties acknowledge that state and federal laws relating to the security and privacy of PHI, including electronic data, are rapidly evolving and that

amendment of this Addendum may be required to provide for procedures to ensure compliance with such developments. The parties specifically agree to take such action as is necessary to implement the standards and requirements of HIPAA, the HIPAA Regulations and other applicable laws relating to the security or confidentiality of PHI. The parties understand and agree that the County must receive satisfactory written assurance from Associate that Associate will adequately safeguard all PHI that it receives or creates pursuant to this Agreement. Upon the County's request, Associate agrees to promptly enter into an amendment to the Agreement embodying written assurances consistent with the standards and requirements of HIPAA, the HIPAA Regulations or other applicable laws. The County, in addition to any other remedies including specific performance, may terminate the Agreement upon five [5] days' written notice in the event Associate does not enter into said amendment to the Agreement providing assurances regarding the safeguarding of PHI that the County, in its sole discretion, deems sufficient to satisfy the standards and requirements of HIPAA and the HIPAA Regulations. Notwithstanding Associate's failure to enter into an amendment, Associate shall comply with all provisions of the HIPAA laws.

- b. <u>Amendment of Appendix C</u>. In addition to amendments described in 7a above, Appendix C may otherwise be modified or amended by written mutual agreement of the parties without amendment of the remainder of this Agreement."
- 8. <u>Assistance in Litigation or Administrative Proceedings.</u> Associate shall make itself, and any subcontractors, employees or agents assisting Associate in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, available to the County at the County's convenience upon reasonable notice, at no cost to the County, to testify as witnesses, for document production, or otherwise, in the event of litigation or administrative proceedings being commenced against the County, its trustees, officers, agents or employees based upon claimed violation of HIPAA, the HIPAA Regulations or other laws relating to security and privacy, except where Associate or its subcontractor, employee or agent is a named adverse party.
- 9. <u>Effect on Agreement.</u> Except as specifically required to implement the purposes of this Addendum, or to the extent inconsistent with this Addendum, all other terms of the Agreement shall remain in force and effect. In the event of any conflict between this Addendum and Agreement, this Addendum shall control.
- 10. <u>Interpretation.</u> This Addendum and the Agreement shall be interpreted as broadly as necessary to implement and comply with HIPAA, the HIPAA Regulations and applicable Florida 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 and the HIPAA Regulations.
- 11. <u>Jurisdiction</u>. Any litigation between the parties regarding the terms of this Addendum shall take place in Miami-Dade County, Florida.