RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2015-12

MEETING: January 6, 2015

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Human Services Director

RE: Drug Medi-Cal Provider Agreement

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve the Drug Medi-Cal Provider Agreement, and authorize the Board Chair to sign the Agreement. The Drug Medi-Cal Provider Agreement is required by the State Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) as part of Mariposa County Behavioral Health’s continued participation as a provider.

The Agreement specifies terms and conditions that are conditions of participation as a Drug Medi-Cal Provider.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board has annually approved this Agreement.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If this Agreement is not signed, Mariposa County Behavioral Health will not be re-certified as a Drug Medi-Cal Provider and will lose the corresponding Drug Medi-Cal revenue.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
This Agreement does not involve any exchange of funds. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
Drug Medi-Cal Provider Agreement form DHCS 6009 (PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION

Mary Hooson
Mary Hooson, Interim CAO 12/30/2014
RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor-Elect
SECONDER: John Carrier, District V Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Long, Jones, Cann, Carrier
DRUG MEDI-CAL PROVIDER AGREEMENT
(To Accompany Applications for Enrollment or Continued Enrollment)

Do not use staples on this form or on any attachments.
Type or print clearly in ink. If you make corrections, please line through, date and initial in ink.
Do not leave any questions, lines, etc. blank. Enter N/A if not applicable to you.

Legal name of applicant or provider
County of Mariposa

Provider number (NPI)
1134268709

Business address (number, street)
5362 Lemee Lane

Mailing address (number, street, P.O. Box number)
P.O. Box 99

Previous business address (number, street)

City
City

City

County of Mariposa

State
CA

State
CA

ZIP code (nine-digit)
95338

ZIP code (nine-digit)
95338

Business name (if different than legal name)

Business telephone number

Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)*
94-6000880

EXECUTION OF THIS PROVIDER AGREEMENT BETWEEN AN APPLICANT OR PROVIDER (HEREINAFTER JOINTLY REFERRED TO AS "PROVIDER") AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES (HEREINAFTER "DHCS"), IS MANDATORY FOR PARTICIPATION OR CONTINUED PARTICIPATION AS A PROVIDER IN THE MEDI-CAL PROGRAM PURSUANT TO UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42, § 1396a(a)(27), TITLE 42, CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, § 431.107, WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE, § 14043.2, AND CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22, § 51000.30(a)(2).

AS A CONDITION FOR PARTICIPATION OR CONTINUED PARTICIPATION AS A PROVIDER IN THE MEDI-CAL PROGRAM, PROVIDER AGREES TO COMPLY WITH ALL OF THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND WITH ALL OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS INCLUDED ON ANY ATTACHMENT(S) HERETO, WHICH IS/ARE INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE:

1. Term and Termination. This Agreement will be effective from the date applicant is enrolled as a provider by DHCS, or, from the date provider is approved for continued enrollment. Provider may terminate this Agreement by providing DHCS with written notice of intent to terminate, which termination shall result in Provider’s immediate disenrollment and exclusion (without formal hearing under the Administrative Procedures Act) from further participation in the Medi-Cal program unless and until such time as Provider is re-enrolled by DHCS in the Medi-Cal program. If the written notice of intent to terminate is limited to a satellite site, the immediate disenrollment and exclusion shall apply to that satellite site only and not to the parent site or other satellite site. DHCS may immediately terminate this Agreement for cause if Provider is suspended/excluded for any of the reasons set forth in Paragraph 22(a) below, which termination will result in Provider’s immediate disenrollment and exclusion (without formal hearing under the Administrative Procedures Act) from further participation in the Medi-Cal program. During any period in which the provider is on provisional provider status or preferred provisional provider status, DHCS may terminate this agreement for any of the grounds stated in Welfare and Institutions Code § 14043.27(c).

*The taxpayer identification number may be a taxpayer identification number (TIN) or a social security number for sole proprietors
2. Compliance with Laws and Regulations. Provider agrees to comply with all applicable provisions of Chapters 7 and 8 of the Welfare and Institutions Code (commencing with §§ 14000 and 14200), and any applicable rules or regulations promulgated by DHCS pursuant to these Chapters. Provider further agrees that if it violates any of the provisions of Chapters 7 and 8 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, or any other regulations promulgated by DHCS pursuant to these Chapters, it may be subject to all sanctions or other remedies available to DHCS. Provider further agrees to comply with all federal laws and regulations governing and regulating Medicaid providers.

3. National Provider Identifier (NPI). Provider agrees to use an NPI that is appropriately registered with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and is in compliance with all NPI requirements established by CMS. Provider also agrees that any subsequent defect in registration or compliance of the NPI constitutes an “addition or change in the information previously submitted” which must be reported to DHCS under the requirements of California Code of Regulations, title 22, § 51000.40.

4. Forbidden Conduct. Provider agrees that it shall not engage in conduct inimical to the public health, morals, welfare and safety of any Medi-Cal beneficiary, or the fiscal integrity of the Medi-Cal program.

5. Nondiscrimination. Provider agrees that it shall not exclude or deny aid, care, service or other benefits available under Medi-Cal or in any other way discriminate against a person because of that person’s race, color, ancestry, marital status, national origin, gender, age, economic status, physical or mental disability, political or religious affiliation or beliefs in accordance with California and federal laws. Provider further agrees that it shall provide aid, care, service, or other benefits available under Medi-Cal to Medi-Cal beneficiaries in the same manner, by the same methods, and at the same scope, level, and quality as provided to the general public.

6. Scope of Health and Medical Care. Provider agrees that the health care services it provides may include diagnostic, preventive, corrective, and curative services, provided by qualified personnel for conditions that cause suffering, endanger life, result in illness or infirmity, interfere with capacity for normal activity, including employment, or for conditions which may develop into some significant handicap or disability. Provider further agrees such health care services shall be subject to prior authorization from a licensed physician to determine medical necessity, where applicable.

7. Licensing. Provider agrees to possess at the time this Agreement becomes effective, and to maintain in good standing throughout the term of this Agreement, valid and unexpired license(s), certificate(s), or other approval(s) to provide health care services, if required by the state or locality in which Provider is located, or by the Federal Government. Provider further agrees that DHCS shall automatically suspend Provider as a provider in the Medi-Cal program pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14043.6, if Provider has license(s), certificate(s), or other approval(s) to provide health care services, which are revoked or suspended by a federal, California, or another state’s licensing, certification, or approval authority, has otherwise lost that/those license(s), certificate(s), or approval(s), or has surrendered that/those license(s), certificate(s), or approval(s) while a disciplinary hearing on that/those license(s), certificate(s), or approval(s) was pending. Such suspension shall be effective on the date that Provider’s license, certificate, or approval was revoked, suspended, lost, or surrendered. Provider further agrees to notify DHCS within ten business days of learning that any restriction has been placed on, or of a suspension of, Provider’s license, certificate, or other approval to provide health care. Provider further agrees to provide DHCS complete information related to any restriction to, or revocation or loss of, Provider’s license, certificate, or other approval to provide health care services.

8. Insurance. Provider agrees to possess at the time this Agreement becomes effective, and to maintain in good standing throughout the term of this Agreement, liability insurance with limits as set forth in the application for the business address and, if a licensed practitioner, professional liability (malpractice) insurance coverage from an authorized insurer pursuant to the Insurance Code § 700.

9. Record Keeping and Retention. Provider agrees to make, keep and maintain in a systematic and orderly manner, and have readily retrievable, such records as are necessary to fully disclose the type and extent of all services provided to Medi-Cal beneficiaries, including, but not limited to, the records described in California Code of Regulations, title 22, § 51476, and the records described in Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, § 431.107. Provider further agrees that such records shall be made as required by law, including but not limited to California Code of Regulations, Title 22, §§ 51341.1 and 51476, and if not specifically stated in law, at or near the time at which the services are delivered or rendered, and that such records shall be retained by Provider for a period of three years from the date the services rendered or as otherwise required by law.
10. DHCS, AG, County, and Secretary Access to Records; Copies of Records. Provider agrees to make available, during regular business hours, all pertinent financial records of the requisite insurance coverage, and all records concerning the provision of health care services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries to any duly authorized representative of DHCS, an authorized representative of the county(ies) with which Provider maintains contracts for substance use disorder treatment services, the California Attorney General’s Medi-Cal Fraud Unit (“AG”), and the Secretary of the United States Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (“Secretary”). Provider further agrees to provide, if requested by any of the above, copies of the records and documentation, and that failure to comply with any request to examine or receive copies of such records shall be grounds for immediate suspension of Provider from participation in the Medi-Cal program. Provider will be reimbursed for reasonable copy costs as determined by DHCS, AG, or Secretary.

11. Confidentiality of Beneficiary Information. Provider agrees that all records of beneficiaries made or acquired by Provider shall be confidential and shall not be released without the written consent of the beneficiary or his/her personal representative, or as otherwise authorized by law.

12. Disclosure of Information to DHCS. Provider agrees to disclose all information as required in Federal Medicaid laws and regulations and any other information required by DHCS, and to respond to all requests from DHCS for information. Provider further agrees that the failure of Provider to disclose the required information or the disclosure of false information shall, prior to any hearing, result in the denial of the application for enrollment or shall be grounds for termination of enrollment status or suspension from the Medi-Cal program, which shall include deactivation of all provider numbers.

13. Information Regarding Subcontractors and Suppliers. Provider agrees to submit, within 35 days of the date of a request by the Secretary or the Medicaid agency, full and complete information about the ownership of any subcontractor with whom the provider has had business transactions totaling more than $25,000 during the 12-month period ending on the date of the request; and any significant business transactions between the provider and any wholly owned supplier, or between the provider and any subcontractor, during the five year period ending on the date of the request.

14. Background Check. Provider agrees that DHCS may conduct a background check on Provider for the purpose of verifying the accuracy of the information provided in the application and in order to prevent fraud or abuse. The background check may include, but not be limited to, the following: (1) on-site inspection prior to enrollment; (2) review of medical and business records; and (3) data searches.

15. Unannounced Visits by DHCS, AG, County, and Secretary. Provider agrees that DHCS, the county(ies) with which Provider maintains contracts for substance use disorder treatment services, AG and/or Secretary may make unannounced visits to Provider, at any of Provider’s business locations, before, during or after enrollment, for the purpose of determining whether enrollment, continued enrollment, or certification is warranted, to investigate and prosecute fraud against the Medi-Cal program, to investigate complaints of abuse and neglect of patients in health care facilities receiving payment under the Medi-Cal program, and/or as necessary for the administration of the Medi-Cal program and/or the fulfillment of the AG’s powers and duties under Government Code § 12528. Premises subject to inspection include billing agents, as defined in Welfare and Institutions Code § 14040.1. Failure to permit inspection by DHCS, the County, AG or Secretary or any agent, investigator or auditor thereof, shall be grounds for immediate suspension of provider from participation in the Medi-Cal program.

16. Provider Fraud and Abuse. Provider agrees that it shall not engage in or commit fraud or abuse. “Fraud” means an intentional deception or misrepresentation made by a person with the knowledge that the deception could result in some unauthorized benefit to himself or herself or some other person. It includes any act that constitutes fraud under applicable federal or state law. “Abuse” means either: (1) practices that are inconsistent with sound fiscal or business practices and result in unnecessary cost to the federal Medicaid and Medicare programs, the Medi-Cal program, another state’s Medicaid program, or other health care programs operated, or financed in whole or in part, by the federal government or any state or local agency in this state or any other state; or (2) practices that are inconsistent with sound medical practices and result in reimbursement by the federal Medicaid and Medicare programs, the Medi-Cal program or other health care programs operated, or financed in whole or in part, by the federal government or any state or local agency in this state or any other state, for services that are unnecessary or for substandard items or services that fail to meet professionally recognized standards for health care.

17. Investigations of Provider for Fraud or Abuse. Provider certifies that to the best of its knowledge, at the time this Agreement was signed, it was not under investigation for fraud or abuse pursuant to Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, part 455, subpart A (commencing with § 455.12) or under investigation for fraud or abuse by DHCS or any state, local, or
federal government law enforcement agency. Provider further agrees to notify DHCS within ten business days of learning that it is under investigation for fraud or abuse. Provider further agrees that it shall be subject to temporary suspension pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14043.36(a), which shall include temporary deactivation of all provider numbers used by Provider for participation in the Medi-Cal program, if it is discovered by DHCS that Provider is under investigation for fraud or abuse. Provider further agrees to cooperate with and assist DHCS and any state or federal agency charged with the duty of identifying, investigating, sanctioning, or prosecuting suspected fraud and abuse.

18. Provider Fraud or Abuse Convictions and/or Civil Fraud or Abuse Liability. Provider certifies that it any its owners, officers, directors, medical directors, employees, and agents, have not: (1) been convicted of any felony or misdemeanor involving fraud or abuse in any government program, within the last ten years; or (2) been convicted of any felony or misdemeanor involving abuse of any patient; or (3) been convicted of any felony or misdemeanor substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a provider; or (4) entered into a settlement in lieu of conviction for fraud or abuse, within the last ten years; or (5) been found liable for fraud or abuse in any civil proceeding within the last ten years. Provider further agrees that DHCS shall not enroll Provider if within the last ten years, Provider has been convicted of any felony or any misdemeanor involving fraud or abuse in any government program, has entered into a settlement in lieu of conviction for fraud or abuse, or has been found liable for fraud or abuse in any civil proceeding.

19. Changes to Provider Information. Provider agrees to keep its application for enrollment in the Medi-Cal program current by informing DHCS, Provider Enrollment Division, in writing on a form or forms to be specified by DHCS, within 35 days of any changes to the information contained in its application for enrollment, its disclosure statement, this Agreement, and/or any attachments to these documents.

20. Prohibition of Rebate, Refund, or Discount. Provider agrees that it shall not offer, give, furnish, or deliver any rebate, refund, commission preference, patronage dividend, discount, or any other gratuitous consideration, in connection with the rendering of health care services to any Medi-Cal beneficiary. Provider further agrees that it shall not solicit, request, accept, or receive, any rebate, refund, commission preference, patronage dividend, discount, or any other gratuitous consideration, in connection with the rendering of health care services to any Medi-Cal beneficiary. Provider further agrees that it will not take any other action or receive any other benefit prohibited by state or federal law.

21. Termination of Provisional Provider or Preferred Provisional Provider Status. Provider agrees that, while it is on provisional provider status or preferred provisional provider status, the provider will be subject to immediate termination of its provisional provider status or preferred provisional provider status and disenrollment from the Medi-Cal program in the following circumstances:

(1) The provider, persons with an ownership or control interest in the provider, or persons who are directors, officers, or managing employees of the provider have been convicted of any felony, or convicted of any misdemeanor involving fraud or abuse in any government program, related to neglect or abuse of a patient in connection with the delivery of a health care item or service, or in connection with the interference with, or obstruction of, any investigation into health care related fraud or abuse, or have been found liable for fraud or abuse in any civil proceeding, or have entered into a settlement in lieu of conviction for fraud or abuse in any government program within 10 years of the date of the application package.

(2) There is a material discrepancy in the information provided to the department, or with the requirements to be enrolled, that is discovered after provisional provider status or preferred provisional provider status has been granted and that cannot be corrected because the discrepancy occurred in the past.

(3) The provider has provided material information that was false or misleading at the time it was provided.

(4) The provider failed to have an established place of business at the business address for which the application package was submitted at the time of any onsite inspection, announced or unannounced visit, or any additional inspection or review conducted pursuant to this article or a statute or regulation governing the Medi-Cal program, unless the practice of the provider’s profession or delivery of services, is such that services are rendered or delivered at locations other than the business address and this practice of delivery of services has been disclosed in the application package approved by the department when the provisional provider status of preferred provisional provider status was granted.
(5) The provider meets the definition of a clinic under Health and Safety Code § 1200, but is not licensed as a clinic pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with § 1200) of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code and fails to meet the requirements to qualify for at least one exemption pursuant to the Health and Safety Code § 1206 or 1206.1.

(6) The provider performs clinical laboratory tests or examinations, but it or its personnel do not meet CLIA, and the regulations adopted thereunder, and the state clinical laboratory law, do not possess valid CLIA certificates and clinical laboratory registrations or licenses pursuant to Chapter 3 (commencing with § 1200) of Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code, or are not exempt from licensure as a clinical laboratory under § 1241 of the Business and Professions Code.

(7) The provider fails to possess either of the following:

(a) The appropriate licenses, permits, certificates, or other approvals needed to practice the profession or occupation, or provide the services the provider identified in the application package approved by the department when the provisional provider status or preferred provisional provider status was granted and for the location for which the application was submitted.

(b) The business or zoning permits or other approval necessary to operate a business at the location identified in its application package approved by the department when the provisional provider status or preferred provisional provider status was granted.

(8) The provider, or if the provider is a clinic, group, partnership, corporation, or other association, any officer, director, or shareholder with a 10 percent or greater interest in that organization, commits two or more violations of the federal or state statutes or regulation governing the Medi-Cal program, and the violations demonstrate a pattern or practice of fraud, abuse, or provision of unnecessary or substandard medical services.

(9) The provider commits any violation of a federal or state statute or regulation governing the Medi-Cal program or of a statute or regulation governing the provider’s profession or occupation and the violation represents a threat of immediate jeopardy or significant harm to any Medi-Cal beneficiary or to the public welfare.

(10) The provider submits claims for payment that subject a provider to suspension under § 14043.61.

(11) The provider submits claims for payment for services, goods, supplies, or merchandise rendered at a location other than the location for which the provider number was issued, unless the practice of the provider’s profession or delivery of services, goods, supplies, or merchandise is such that services, goods, supplies, or merchandise are rendered or delivered at locations other than the business address and this practice or delivery of services, goods, supplies, or merchandise has been disclosed in the application package approved by the department when the provisional provider status was granted.

(12) The provider has not paid its fine, or has a debt due and owing, including overpayments and penalty assessments, to any federal, state, or local government entity that relates to Medicare, Medicaid, Medi-Cal, or any other federal or state health care program, and has not made satisfactory arrangements to fulfill the obligation or otherwise been excused by legal process from fulfilling the obligation.

22. Provider Suspension; Appeal Rights; Reinstatement. Provider agrees that it is to be subject to the following suspension actions. Provider further agrees that the suspension by DHCS of Provider shall include deactivation of all of Provider’s provider numbers used in the Medi-Cal program.

a. Automatic Suspensions/Mandatory Exclusions. DHCS shall automatically suspend Provider under the following circumstances:

(1) Upon notice from the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services that Provider has been excluded from participation in the Medicare or Medicaid programs. No administrative appeal of a suspension on this ground shall be available to Provider. (Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14123 (b)-(c).)
(2) If Provider has license(s), certificate(s), or other approval(s) to provide health care services, revoked or suspended by a federal, California, or another state’s licensing, certification, or approval authority; has otherwise lost that/those license(s), certificate(s), or approval(s); or has surrendered that/those license(s), certificate(s), or approval(s) while a disciplinary hearing on that license, certificate, or approval was pending. (Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14043.6.)

(3) If Provider is convicted of any felony or any misdemeanor involving fraud, abuse of the Medi-Cal program or any patient, or otherwise substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a provider of service. Suspension following conviction is not subject to the proceedings under Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14123(c). However, the director may grant an informal hearing at the request of the provider to determine in the director’s sole discretion if the circumstances surrounding the conviction justify rescinding or otherwise modifying the suspension.

b. Permissive Suspensions/Permissive Exclusions. DHCS may suspend Provider under the following circumstances:

(1) Provider violates any of the provisions of Chapter 7 of the Welfare and Institutions Code (commencing with § 14000 except for §§ 14043–14044), or Chapter 8 (commencing with § 14200) or any rule or regulations promulgated by DHCS pursuant to those provisions. Administrative appeal pursuant to Health and Safety Code, § 100171. (Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14123 (a),(c).)

(2) Provider fails to comply with DHCS' request to examine or receive copies of the books and records pertaining to services rendered to Medi-Cal beneficiaries. Administrative appeal.

c. Temporary Suspension. DHCS shall temporarily suspend Provider under the following circumstances:

(1) Provider fails to disclose all information as required in federal Medicaid regulations or any other information required by DHCS, or discloses false information. Administrative appeal pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14043.65. (Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14043.2(a).)

(2) Provider is under investigation for fraud or abuse. Administrative appeal pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14043.65. (Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14043.36(a).)

(3) Provider fails to remediate discrepancies discovered as a result of an unannounced visit to Provider. Administrative appeal pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14043.65. (Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14043.7(c).)

(4) Prior to a hearing and when the director determines it is necessary to protect the public welfare or the interests of the Medi-Cal program. (Welfare and Institutions Code, §14123(c).)

(5) Provider submits claims for payment to the County or DHCS for the services, goods, supplies or merchandise provided, directly or indirectly, to a Medi-Cal beneficiary, by an individual or entity that is suspended, excluded or otherwise ineligible because of sanction to receive, directly or indirectly, reimbursement from the Medi-Cal program and the individual or entity is listed on the Suspended and Ineligible Provider List or any list published by the federal Office of the Inspector General or the Department of Health and Human Services. Appeal pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14043.65. (Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14043.61)

(6) Provider fails to comply with DHCS' request to examine or receive copies of the books and records pertaining to services rendered to Medi-Cal beneficiaries. (Welfare and Institutions Code, § 14124.2)

23. Liability of Clinic and Satellite Providers. Provider agrees that, each person with an ownership or control interest in the clinic or satellite site, agent, and managing employee is jointly and severally liable for any breach of this Agreement, and that action by DHCS against a person with an ownership or control interest, agent, or managing employee may result in action against all of the persons with an ownership or control interest, agents, and managing employees of the clinic or satellite site.

24. Legislative and Congressional Changes. Provider agrees that this Agreement is subject to any future additional
requirements, restrictions, limitations, or conditions enacted by the California Legislature or the United States Congress which may affect the provisions, terms, conditions, or funding of this Agreement in any manner.

25. **Provider Capacity.** Provider agrees that Provider, and the officers, directors, employees, and agents of Provider, in the performance of this Agreement, shall act in an independent capacity and not as officers or employees or agents of the State of California.

26. **Indemnification.** Provider agrees to indemnify, defend, and save harmless the State of California, its officers, agents, and employees, from any and all claims and losses accruing or resulting to any and all persons, firms, or corporations furnishing or supplying services, materials, or supplies in connection with Provider's performance of this Agreement, and from any and all claims and losses accruing or resulting to any Medi-Cal beneficiary, or to any other person, firm, or corporation who may be injured or damaged by Provider in the performance of this Agreement.

27. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

28. **Venue.** Venue for all actions, including federal actions, concerning this Agreement, lies in Sacramento County, California, or in any other county in which the California Department of Justice maintains an office.

29. **Titles.** The titles of the provisions of this Agreement are for convenience and reference only and are not to be considered in interpreting this Agreement.

30. **Severability.** If one or more of the provisions of this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal, void, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired. Either party having knowledge of such a provision shall promptly inform the other of the presumed nonapplicability of such provision. Should the nonapplicable provision go to the heart of this Agreement, the Agreement shall be terminated in a manner commensurate with the interests of both parties.

31. **Waiver.** Any action or inaction by DHCS or any failure of DHCS on any occasion, to enforce any right or provision of this Agreement, shall not be interpreted to be a waiver by DHCS of its rights hereunder and shall not prevent DHCS from enforcing such provision or right on any future occasion. The rights and remedies of DHCS herein are cumulative and are in addition to any other rights or remedies that DHCS may have at law or in equity.

32. **Complete Integration.** This Agreement, including any attachments or documents incorporated herein by express reference, is intended to be a complete integration and there are no prior or contemporaneous different or additional agreements pertaining to the subject matter of this Agreement.

33. **Amendment.** No alteration or variation of the terms or provisions of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by the parties to this Agreement, and no oral understanding or agreement not set forth in this Agreement, shall be binding on the parties to this Agreement.

34. **Provider Attestation.** Provider agrees that all information it submits on the application form for enrollment, this Agreement, and all attachments or changes to either, is true, accurate, and complete to the best of Provider's knowledge and belief. Provider further agrees to sign the application form for enrollment, this Agreement, and all attachments or changes to either, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California.
Provider agrees that compliance with the provisions of this agreement is a condition precedent to payment to provider.

The parties agree that this agreement is a legal and binding document and is fully enforceable in a court of competent jurisdiction. The provider signing this agreement warrants that he/she has read this agreement and understands it.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing information is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I declare I am the provider or I have the authority to legally bind the provider, which is an entity and not an individual person and that I am eligible to sign this agreement under California Code of Regulations, title 22, § 51000.30(a)(2)(B).

1. Printed legal name of provider
   County of Mariposa

2. Printed name of person signing this declaration on behalf of provider (if an entity or business name is listed in Item 1 above)
   Merlin Jones, Board Chair

3. Original signature of provider or representative if this provider is an entity other than an individual person as sole proprietor
   Merlin Jones

4. Title of person signing this declaration
   Board Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

STEVEN W. DAHLEM
COUNTY COUNSEL

5. Executed at: Mariposa
   [City]  CA  on  1-6-15

6. Notary Public:

Applicants and providers licensed pursuant to Division 2 (commencing with § 500) of the Business and Professions Code, the Osteopathic Initiative Act, or the Chiropractic Initiative Act ARE NOT REQUIRED to have this form notarized. If notarization is required, the Certificate of Acknowledgement signed by the Notary Public must be in the form specified in the Civil Code § 1189.

Privacy Statement
(Civil Code § 1798 et. seq.)

All information requested on the application, the disclosure statement, and the provider agreement is mandatory, including the social security number for any person other than the person or entity for whom an IRS Form 1099 must be provided by the Department pursuant to 26 USC 6041. This information is required by the Department of Health Care Services, Provider Enrollment Division, by the authority of Welfare and Institutions Code § 14043.2(a). The consequences of not supplying the mandatory information, including social security number, requested are denial of enrollment as a Medi-Cal provider or denial of continued enrollment as a provider and deactivation of all provider numbers used by the provider. Any information provided will be used to verify eligibility to participate as a provider in the Medi-Cal program. Any information may also be provided to the State Controller's Office, the California Department of Justice, the Department of Consumer Affairs, the Department of Corporations, or other state or local agencies as appropriate, fiscal intermediaries, managed care plans, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Internal Revenue Service, Medicare Fiscal Intermediaries, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Office of the Inspector General, Medicaid, and licensing programs in other states. For more information or access to records containing your personal information maintained by this agency, contact the Provider Enrollment Division at (916) 323-1945.