

STATE MENTAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

1. CONTROL REQUIREMENTS

The COUNTY and its subcontractors shall provide services in accordance with all applicable Federal and State statutes and regulations.

2. PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE

All (professional level) persons employed by the COUNTY Mental Health Program (directly or through contract) providing Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal services have met applicable professional licensure requirements pursuant to Business and Professions and Welfare and Institutions Codes.

3. CONFIDENTIALITY

CONTRACTOR shall conform to and COUNTY shall monitor compliance with all State of California and Federal statutes and regulations regarding confidentiality, including but not limited to confidentiality of information requirements at 42, Code of Federal Regulations sections 2.1 *et seq*; California Welfare and Institutions Code, sections 14100.2, 11977, 11812, 5328; Division 10.5 and 10.6 of the California Health and Safety Code; Title 22, California Code of Regulations, section 51009; and Division 1, Part 2.6, Chapters 1-7 of the California Civil Code.

4. NON-DISCRIMINATION

A. Eligibility for Services

CONTRACTOR shall prepare and make available to COUNTY and to the public all eligibility requirements to participate in the program plan set forth in the Agreement. No person shall, because of ethnic group identification, age, sex, color, disability, medical condition, national origin, race, ancestry, marital status, religion, religious creed, political belief or sexual preference be excluded from participation, be denied benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal or State of California assistance.

B. Employment Opportunity

CONTRACTOR shall comply with COUNTY policy, and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission guidelines, which forbids discrimination against any person on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability status, or sexual preference in employment practices. Such practices include retirement, recruitment advertising, hiring, layoff, termination, upgrading, demotion, transfer, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, use of facilities, and other terms and conditions of employment.

C. Suspension of Compensation

If an allegation of discrimination occurs, COUNTY may withhold all further funds, until CONTRACTOR can show clear and convincing evidence to the satisfaction of COUNTY that funds provided under this Agreement were not used in connection with the alleged discrimination.

D. Nepotism

Except by consent of COUNTY's Department of Behavioral Health Director, or designee, no person shall be employed by CONTRACTOR who is related by blood or marriage to, or who is a member of the Board of Directors or an officer of CONTRACTOR.

5. PATIENTS' RIGHTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with applicable laws and regulations, including but not limited to, laws, regulations, and State policies relating to patients' rights.