FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE SYSTEMS IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, WESTERN STATE HOSPITAL AND THE WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS"), a division of the United States Department of Health and Human Services ("DHHS") hereby enters into this First Amendment to the Systems Improvement Agreement ("First Amendment") with Western State Hospital ("WSH"), Washington State Department of Social and Health Services ("WDSHS"), and the Washington Department of Health ("WDoH"). This First Amendment extends the term of the Systems Improvement Agreement:

1. Paragraph 1 of the Systems Improvement Agreement entitled “Term and Scope of the Agreement” is modified as follows:

   The term of this Agreement is for fifteen months from the effective date, unless any party terminates it in accordance with the provisions contained herein. The effective date shall be the date on which all parties have signed this Agreement. The Parties agree that DSHS, the parent agency for WSH, will work to ensure that WSH meets its obligations under this Agreement.

2. Except as modified by this First Amendment, the SIA remains in full force and effect.

3. This First Amendment may be executed in counterparts; when combined all duplicate originals signed by each Party will comprise the full First Amendment.

WESTERN STATE HOSPITAL

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