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|  <p>Washington State<br/>Department of Social<br/>&amp; Health Services<br/><i>Transforming lives</i></p>   | <h2 style="margin: 0;">PURCHASED SERVICE CONTRACT</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">DCS Alternative Payment Services</h3>                           | DSHS Contract Number:<br>Click here to enter text.<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resulting From Competition<br>Number: <input type="text"/><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Competition Exempt |  |
| This Contract is between the State of Washington Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) and the Contractor identified below, and is governed by chapter 39.26 RCW.   |   | Contractor Contract Number:<br><input type="text"/>  |  |
| CONTRACTOR NAME<br>Click here to enter text.  | CONTRACTOR doing business as (DBA)<br>Click here to enter text.   |  |  |
| CONTRACTOR ADDRESS<br>Click here to enter text.<br>Click here to enter text., Click here to enter text. Click here to enter text.   | WASHINGTON UNIFORM BUSINESS IDENTIFIER (UBI)<br>Click here to enter text.   | DSHS INDEX NUMBER<br>Click here to enter text.   |  |
| CONTRACTOR CONTACT<br>Click here to enter text.   | CONTRACTOR TELEPHONE<br>Click here to enter text.   | CONTRACTOR FAX<br>Click here to enter text.  | CONTRACTOR E-MAIL ADDRESS<br>Click here to enter text. |
| DSHS ADMINISTRATION<br>Click here to enter text.  | DSHS DIVISION<br>Click here to enter text.  | DSHS CONTRACT CODE<br>Click here to enter text.  |  |
| DSHS CONTACT NAME AND TITLE<br>Click here to enter text.<br>Click here to enter text.   |   | DSHS CONTACT ADDRESS<br>Click here to enter text.<br>Click here to enter text., Click here to enter text. Click here to enter text.  |  |
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| IS THE CONTRACTOR A SUBRECIPIENT FOR PURPOSES OF THIS CONTRACT?<br>Click here to enter text.  |   | CFDA NUMBERS<br>Click here to enter text.  |  |
| CONTRACT START DATE<br>Click here to enter text.  | CONTRACT END DATE<br>Click here to enter text.  | CONTRACT MAXIMUM AMOUNT<br>Click here to enter text.   |  |
| <b>EXHIBITS. The following Exhibits are attached and are incorporated into this Contract by reference:</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Data Security:</b> Exhibit A – Data Security Requirements<br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other Exhibits (specify):</b> <input type="text"/>  |   |  |  |
| The terms and conditions of this Contract are an integration of and constitute the final, entire and exclusive understanding of the agreement between the parties, superseding and merging all previous agreements, writings, and communications between the parties made prior to or at the signing of this Contract. The parties signing below warrant they have read and understand this Contract, and have authority to enter into this Contract. |   |  |  |
| CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE<br><br><span style="color: red;">Click here to enter text.</span>  | PRINTED NAME AND TITLE<br><br><input type="text"/>  | DATE SIGNED  |  |
| DSHS SIGNATURE<br><br><span style="color: red;">Click here to enter text.</span>  | PRINTED NAME AND TITLE<br><br>Ann Polanco, Key Contracts Coordinator<br>Department of Social and Health Services<br>Division of Child Support | DATE SIGNED  |  |

## General Terms and Conditions

1. **Definitions.** The words and phrases listed below, as used in this Contract, shall each have the following definitions:
- a. "Central Contracts and Legal Services" means the DSHS central headquarters contracting office, or successor section or office.
  - b. "Confidential Information" or "Data" means information that is exempt from disclosure to the public or other unauthorized persons under RCW 42.56 or other federal or state laws. Confidential Information includes, but is not limited to, Personal Information.
  - c. "Contract" or "Agreement" means the entire written agreement between DSHS and the Contractor, including any Exhibits, documents, or materials incorporated by reference. The parties may execute this contract in multiple counterparts, each of which is deemed an original and all of which constitute only one agreement. E-mail or Facsimile transmission of a signed copy of this contract shall be the same as delivery of an original.
  - d. "CCLS Chief" means the manager, or successor, of Central Contracts and Legal Services or successor section or office.
  - e. "Contractor" means the individual or entity performing services pursuant to this Contract and includes the Contractor's owners, members, officers, directors, partners, employees, and/or agents, unless otherwise stated in this Contract. For purposes of any permitted Subcontract, "Contractor" includes any Subcontractor and its owners, members, officers, directors, partners, employees, and/or agents.
  - f. "Debarment" means an action taken by a Federal agency or official to exclude a person or business entity from participating in transactions involving certain federal funds.
  - g. "DSHS" or the "Department" means the state of Washington Department of Social and Health Services and its employees and authorized agents.
  - h. "Encrypt" means to encode Confidential Information into a format that can only be read by those possessing a "key"; a password, digital certificate or other mechanism available only to authorized users. Encryption must use a key length of at least 128 bits.
  - i. "Personal Information" means information identifiable to any person, including, but not limited to, information that relates to a person's name, health, finances, education, business, use or receipt of governmental services or other activities, addresses, telephone numbers, Social Security Numbers, driver license numbers, other identifying numbers, and any financial identifiers.
  - j. "Physically Secure" means that access is restricted through physical means to authorized individuals only.
  - k. "Program Agreement" means an agreement between the Contractor and DSHS containing special terms and conditions, including a statement of work to be performed by the Contractor and payment to be made by DSHS.
  - l. "RCW" means the Revised Code of Washington. All references in this Contract to RCW chapters or sections shall include any successor, amended, or replacement statute. Pertinent RCW chapters can be accessed at <http://apps.leg.wa.gov/rcw/>.
  - m. "Regulation" means any federal, state, or local regulation, rule, or ordinance.
  - n. "Secured Area" means an area to which only authorized representatives of the entity possessing

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the Confidential Information have access. Secured Areas may include buildings, rooms or locked storage containers (such as a filing cabinet) within a room, as long as access to the Confidential Information is not available to unauthorized personnel.

- o. "Subcontract" means any separate agreement or contract between the Contractor and an individual or entity ("Subcontractor") to perform all or a portion of the duties and obligations that the Contractor is obligated to perform pursuant to this Contract.
  - p. "Tracking" means a record keeping system that identifies when the sender begins delivery of Confidential Information to the authorized and intended recipient, and when the sender receives confirmation of delivery from the authorized and intended recipient of Confidential Information.
  - q. "Trusted Systems" include only the following methods of physical delivery: (1) hand-delivery by a person authorized to have access to the Confidential Information with written acknowledgement of receipt; (2) United States Postal Service ("USPS") first class mail, or USPS delivery services that include Tracking, such as Certified Mail, Express Mail or Registered Mail; (3) commercial delivery services (e.g. FedEx, UPS, DHL) which offer tracking and receipt confirmation; and (4) the Washington State Campus mail system. For electronic transmission, the Washington State Governmental Network (SGN) is a Trusted System for communications within that Network.
  - r. "WAC" means the Washington Administrative Code. All references in this Contract to WAC chapters or sections shall include any successor, amended, or replacement regulation. Pertinent WAC chapters or sections can be accessed at <http://apps.leg.wa.gov/wac/>.
2. **Amendment.** This Contract may only be modified by a written amendment signed by both parties. Only personnel authorized to bind each of the parties may sign an amendment.
3. **Assignment.** The Contractor shall not assign this Contract or any Program Agreement to a third party without the prior written consent of DSHS.
4. **Billing Limitations.**
- a. DSHS shall pay the Contractor only for authorized services provided in accordance with this Contract.
  - b. DSHS shall not pay any claims for payment for services submitted more than twelve (12) months after the calendar month in which the services were performed.
  - c. The Contractor shall not bill and DSHS shall not pay for services performed under this Contract, if the Contractor has charged or will charge another agency of the state of Washington or any other party for the same services.
5. **Compliance with Applicable Law.** At all times during the term of this Contract, the Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, including but not limited to, nondiscrimination laws and regulations.
6. **Confidentiality.**
- a. The Contractor shall not use, publish, transfer, sell or otherwise disclose any Confidential Information gained by reason of this Contract for any purpose that is not directly connected with Contractor's performance of the services contemplated hereunder, except:
    - (1) as provided by law; or,

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- (2) in the case of Personal Information, with the prior written consent of the person or personal representative of the person who is the subject of the Personal Information.
- b. The Contractor shall protect and maintain all Confidential Information gained by reason of this Contract against unauthorized use, access, disclosure, modification or loss. This duty requires the Contractor to employ reasonable security measures, which include restricting access to the Confidential Information by:
- (1) Allowing access only to staff that have an authorized business requirement to view the Confidential Information.
  - (2) Physically Securing any computers, documents, or other media containing the Confidential Information.
  - (3) Ensure the security of Confidential Information transmitted via fax (facsimile) by:
    - (a) Verifying the recipient phone number to prevent accidental transmittal of Confidential Information to unauthorized persons.
    - (b) Communicating with the intended recipient before transmission to ensure that the fax will be received only by an authorized person.
    - (c) Verifying after transmittal that the fax was received by the intended recipient.
  - (4) When transporting six (6) or more records containing Confidential Information, outside a Secured Area, do one or more of the following as appropriate:
    - (a) Use a Trusted System.
    - (b) Encrypt the Confidential Information, including:
      - i. Encrypting email and/or email attachments which contain the Confidential Information.
      - ii. Encrypting Confidential Information when it is stored on portable devices or media, including but not limited to laptop computers and flash memory devices.
  - (5) Send paper documents containing Confidential Information via a Trusted System.
  - (6) Following the requirements of the DSHS Data Security Requirements Exhibit, if attached to this contract.
- c. Upon request by DSHS, at the end of the Contract term, or when no longer needed, Confidential Information shall be returned to DSHS or Contractor shall certify in writing that they employed a DSHS approved method to destroy the information. Contractor may obtain information regarding approved destruction methods from the DSHS contact identified on the cover page of this Contract.
- d. Paper documents with Confidential Information may be recycled through a contracted firm, provided the contract with the recycler specifies that the confidentiality of information will be protected, and the information destroyed through the recycling process. Paper documents containing Confidential Information requiring special handling (e.g. protected health information) must be destroyed on-site through shredding, pulping, or incineration.

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- e. **Notification of Compromise or Potential Compromise.** The compromise or potential compromise of Confidential Information must be reported to the DSHS Contact designated on the contract within one (1) business day of discovery. Contractor must also take actions to mitigate the risk of loss and comply with any notification or other requirements imposed by law or DSHS.
7. **Debarment Certification.** The Contractor, by signature to this Contract, certifies that the Contractor is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any Federal department or agency from participating in transactions (Debarred). The Contractor also agrees to include the above requirement in any and all Subcontracts into which it enters. The Contractor shall immediately notify DSHS if, during the term of this Contract, Contractor becomes Debarred. DSHS may immediately terminate this Contract by providing Contractor written notice if Contractor becomes Debarred during the term hereof.
8. **Governing Law and Venue.** This Contract shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the state of Washington and the venue of any action brought hereunder shall be in Superior Court for Thurston County.
9. **Independent Contractor.** The parties intend that an independent contractor relationship will be created by this Contract. The Contractor and his or her employees or agents performing under this Contract are not employees or agents of the Department. The Contractor, his or her employees, or agents performing under this Contract will not hold himself/herself out as, nor claim to be, an officer or employee of the Department by reason hereof, nor will the Contractor, his or her employees, or agent make any claim of right, privilege or benefit that would accrue to such officer or employee.
10. **Inspection.** The Contractor shall, at no cost, provide DSHS and the Office of the State Auditor with reasonable access to Contractor's place of business, Contractor's records, and DSHS client records, wherever located. These inspection rights are intended to allow DSHS and the Office of the State Auditor to monitor, audit, and evaluate the Contractor's performance and compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and these Contract terms. These inspection rights shall survive for six (6) years following this Contract's termination or expiration.
11. **Maintenance of Records.** The Contractor shall maintain records relating to this Contract and the performance of the services described herein. The records include, but are not limited to, accounting procedures and practices, which sufficiently and properly reflect all direct and indirect costs of any nature expended in the performance of this Contract. All records and other material relevant to this Contract shall be retained for six (6) years after expiration or termination of this Contract.
- Without agreeing that litigation or claims are legally authorized, if any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the six (6) year period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved.
12. **Order of Precedence.** In the event of any inconsistency or conflict between the General Terms and Conditions and the Special Terms and Conditions of this Contract or any Program Agreement, the inconsistency or conflict shall be resolved by giving precedence to these General Terms and Conditions. Terms or conditions that are more restrictive, specific, or particular than those contained in the General Terms and Conditions shall not be construed as being inconsistent or in conflict.
13. **Severability.** If any term or condition of this Contract is held invalid by any court, the remainder of the Contract remains valid and in full force and effect.
14. **Survivability.** The terms and conditions contained in this Contract or any Program Agreement which, by their sense and context, are intended to survive the expiration or termination of the particular agreement shall survive. Surviving terms include, but are not limited to: Billing Limitations;

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Confidentiality, Disputes; Indemnification and Hold Harmless, Inspection, Maintenance of Records, Notice of Overpayment, Ownership of Material, Termination for Default, Termination Procedure, and Treatment of Property.

### 15. **Contract Renegotiation, Suspension, or Termination Due to Change in Funding.**

If the funds DSHS relied upon to establish this Contract or Program Agreement are withdrawn, reduced or limited, or if additional or modified conditions are placed on such funding, after the effective date of this contract but prior to the normal completion of this Contract or Program Agreement:

- a. At DSHS's discretion, the Contract or Program Agreement may be renegotiated under the revised funding conditions.
- b. At DSHS's discretion, DSHS may give notice to Contractor to suspend performance when DSHS determines that there is reasonable likelihood that the funding insufficiency may be resolved in a timeframe that would allow Contractor's performance to be resumed prior to the normal completion date of this contract.
  - (1) During the period of suspension of performance, each party will inform the other of any conditions that may reasonably affect the potential for resumption of performance.
  - (2) When DSHS determines that the funding insufficiency is resolved, it will give Contractor written notice to resume performance. Upon the receipt of this notice, Contractor will provide written notice to DSHS informing DSHS whether it can resume performance and, if so, the date of resumption. For purposes of this subsection, "written notice" may include email.
  - (3) If the Contractor's proposed resumption date is not acceptable to DSHS and an acceptable date cannot be negotiated, DSHS may terminate the contract by giving written notice to Contractor. The parties agree that the Contract will be terminated retroactive to the date of the notice of suspension. DSHS shall be liable only for payment in accordance with the terms of this Contract for services rendered prior to the retroactive date of termination.
- c. DSHS may immediately terminate this Contract by providing written notice to the Contractor. The termination shall be effective on the date specified in the termination notice. DSHS shall be liable only for payment in accordance with the terms of this Contract for services rendered prior to the effective date of termination. No penalty shall accrue to DSHS in the event the termination option in this section is exercised.

16. **Waiver.** Waiver of any breach or default on any occasion shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any subsequent breach or default. Any waiver shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms and conditions of this Contract. Only the CCLS Chief or designee has the authority to waive any term or condition of this Contract on behalf of DSHS.

### **Additional General Terms and Conditions – Purchased Service Contracts:**

17. **Advance Payment.** DSHS shall not make any payments in advance or anticipation of the delivery of services to be provided pursuant to this Contract.
18. **Construction.** The language in this Contract shall be interpreted as to its fair meaning and not strictly for or against any party. Any rule of construction to the effect that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not apply in interpreting this Contract.

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- 19. Contractor Certification Regarding Ethics.** The Contractor certifies that the Contractor is now, and shall remain, in compliance with Chapter 42.52 RCW, Ethics in Public Service, throughout the term of this Contract.
- 20. Health and Safety.** Contractor shall perform any and all of its obligations under this Contract in a manner that does not compromise the health and safety of any DSHS client with whom the Contractor has contact.
- 21. Indemnification and Hold Harmless.**
- a. The Contractor shall be responsible for and shall indemnify, defend, and hold DSHS harmless from any and all claims, costs, charges, penalties, demands, losses, liabilities, damages, judgments, or fines, of whatsoever kind of nature, arising out of or relating to a) the Contractor's or any Subcontractor's performance or failure to perform this Contract, or b) the acts or omissions of the Contractor or any Subcontractor.
  - b. The Contractor's duty to indemnify, defend, and hold DSHS harmless from any and all claims, costs, charges, penalties, demands, losses, liabilities, damages, judgments, or fines shall include DSHS' personnel-related costs, reasonable attorney's fees, court costs, and all related expenses.
  - c. The Contractor waives its immunity under Title 51 RCW to the extent it is required to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and its agencies, officials, agents, or employees.
  - d. Nothing in this term shall be construed as a modification or limitation on the Contractor's obligation to procure insurance in accordance with this Contract or the scope of said insurance.
- 22. Industrial Insurance Coverage.** The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Title 51 RCW, Industrial Insurance. If the Contractor fails to provide industrial insurance coverage or fails to pay premiums or penalties on behalf of its employees, as may be required by law, Agency may collect from the Contractor the full amount payable to the Industrial Insurance accident fund. The Agency may deduct the amount owed by the Contractor to the accident fund from the amount payable to the Contractor by the Agency under this contract, and transmit the deducted amount to the Department of Labor and Industries, (L&I) Division of Insurance Services. This provision does not waive any of L&I's rights to collect from the Contractor.
- 23. Publicity** The Contractor shall not name DSHS as a customer, nor use any information related to this Contract, in any format or media, in any Contractor's advertising or publicity without prior written consent from the DSHS.
- 24. Notice of Overpayment.** If the Contractor receives a vendor overpayment notice or a letter communicating the existence of an overpayment from DSHS, the Contractor may protest the overpayment determination by requesting an adjudicative proceeding. The Contractor's request for an adjudicative proceeding must:
- a. Be *received* by the Office of Financial Recovery (OFR) at Post Office Box 9501, Olympia, Washington 98507-9501, within twenty-eight (28) calendar days of service of the notice;
  - b. Be sent by certified mail (return receipt) or other manner that proves OFR received the request;
  - c. Include a statement as to why the Contractor thinks the notice is incorrect; and
  - d. Include a copy of the overpayment notice.

Timely and complete requests will be scheduled for a formal hearing by the Office of Administrative

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Hearings. The Contractor may be offered a pre-hearing or alternative dispute resolution conference in an attempt to resolve the overpayment dispute prior to the hearing.

Failure to provide OFR with a written request for a hearing within twenty-eight (28) days of service of a vendor overpayment notice or other overpayment letter will result in an overpayment debt against the Contractor. DSHS may charge the Contractor interest and any costs associated with the collection of this overpayment. DSHS may collect an overpayment debt through lien, foreclosure, seizure and sale of the Contractor's real or personal property; order to withhold and deliver; or any other collection action available to DSHS to satisfy the overpayment debt.

25. **Site Security.** While providing services at a DSHS location, the Contractor, its agents, employees, or Subcontractors shall conform in all respects with physical, fire, or other security regulations specific to the DSHS location.
26. **Subcontracting.** Except as otherwise provided in this Contract, the Contractor shall not Subcontract any of the contracted services without the prior written approval of DSHS. Contractor is responsible to ensure that all terms, conditions, assurances and certifications set forth in this Contract are included in any and all Subcontracts. Any failure of Contractor or its Subcontractors to perform the obligations of this Contract shall not discharge the Contractor from its obligations hereunder or diminish DSHS' rights or remedies available under this Contract.
27. **Termination for Convenience.** DSHS may terminate this Contract in whole or in part when it is in the best interest of DSHS by giving the Contractor at least thirty (30) calendar days' written notice.
28. **Termination for Default.** The Contracts Administrator may immediately terminate this Contract for default, in whole or in part, by written notice to the Contractor if DSHS has a reasonable basis to believe that the Contractor has:
  - a. Failed to meet or maintain any requirement for contracting with DSHS;
  - b. Failed to protect the health or safety of any DSHS client;
  - c. Failed to perform under, or otherwise breached, any term or condition of this Contract; and/or
  - d. Violated any applicable law or regulation.
  - e. If it is later determined that the Contractor was not in default, the termination shall be considered a termination for convenience.
29. **Termination or Expiration Procedure.** The following terms and conditions apply upon Contract termination or expiration:
  - a. The Contractor shall cease to perform any services required by this Contract as of the effective date of termination or expiration.
  - b. If the Contract is terminated, the Contractor shall comply with all instructions contained in the termination notice.
  - c. The Contractor shall immediately deliver to the DSHS contact named on page one of this Contract, or to his or her successor, all DSHS property in the Contractor's possession. The Contractor grants DSHS the right to enter upon the Contractor's premises for the sole purpose of recovering any DSHS property that the Contractor fails to return within ten (10) calendar days of the effective date of termination or expiration of this Contract. Upon failure to return DSHS property within ten (10) calendar days, the Contractor shall be charged with all reasonable costs of recovery, including



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transportation.

- d. DSHS shall be liable only for payment required under the terms of this Contract for service rendered up to the effective date of termination or expiration.
- e. DSHS may withhold a sum from the final payment to the Contractor that DSHS determines necessary to protect DSHS against loss or additional liability.
- f. The rights and remedies provided to DSHS in this Section are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided at law, in equity, and/or under this Contract, including consequential and incidental damages.

**30. Treatment of Property.** All property purchased or furnished by DSHS for use by the Contractor during this Contract term shall remain with DSHS. Title to all property purchased or furnished by the Contractor for which the Contractor is entitled to reimbursement by DSHS under this Contract shall pass to and vest in DSHS. The Contractor shall protect, maintain, and insure all DSHS property in its possession against loss or damage and shall return DSHS property to DSHS upon Contract termination or expiration.

### **31. Taxes.**

- a. Where required by statute or regulation, Contractor shall pay for and maintain in current status all taxes that are necessary for Contract performance. DSHS will pay sales or use taxes, if any, imposed on the services and materials acquired hereunder. Contractor must pay all other taxes including without limitation Washington Business and Occupation Tax, other taxes based on Contractor's income or gross receipts, or personal property taxes levied or assessed on Contractor's personal property. DSHS, as an agency of Washington State government, is exempt from property tax.
- b. Contractor shall complete registration with the Washington State Department of Revenue and be responsible for payment of all taxes due on payments made under this Contract in accordance with the requirements of [Title 82 RCW](#) and [Title 458 WAC](#). Out-of-state Contractors must contact the Department of Revenue to determine whether they meet criteria to register and establish an account with the Department of Revenue. Refer to WAC 458-20-101 (Tax registration and tax reporting) and call the Department of Revenue at 800-647-7706 for additional information. When out-of-state Contractors are not required to collect and remit sales tax, DSHS shall be responsible for paying use tax, if applicable, directly to the Department of Revenue.
- c. All payments accrued on account of payroll taxes, unemployment contributions, any other taxes, insurance, or other expenses for Contractor or Contractor's staff shall be Contractor's sole responsibility.

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1. **Definitions Specific to Special Terms:** The words and phrases listed below, as used in this Contract, shall each have the following definitions:
  - a. "ACH" means Automated Clearing House.
  - b. "CFR" means Code of Federal Regulations.
  - c. "DCS" means Division of Child Support, a division of the Economic Services Administration (ESA) under the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS), which is responsible for the establishment, collection and distribution of child support in Washington State.
  - d. "Department" means the Department of Social and Health Services and the Division of Child Support.
  - e. "ESA" means the DSHS Economic Services Administration.
  - f. "NACHA" or "NACHA - The Electronic Payments Association" means the organization responsible for governing rules and regulations of electronic payments.
  - g. "OFAC" means the Office of Foreign Asset Control which is an agency of the United States Department of the Treasury under the auspices of the Under Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence. OFAC administers and enforces economic and trade sanctions based on U.S. foreign policy and national security goals against targeted foreign states, organizations, and individuals.
  - h. "OFM" means the Washington State, Office of Financial Management.
  - i. "PCI-DSS" means the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard is a worldwide information security standard assembled by the Payment Card Industry Security Standards Council (PCI SSC).
  - j. "Single Point of Contact" means a toll-free number for access to the Contractors staff that are dedicated, in whole or in part, to business conducted by DCS. Contact information for staff person or unit staff available to assist DCS with service issues. For DCS Customers, a toll-free number to the Contractors staff familiar with the Alternate Payment Option program and capable to resolve customer issues.
  - k. "USC" means the United States Code. All references to USC chapters or sections shall include any successor, amended, or replacement regulation.
2. **Purpose:** This Contract's purpose is for the Contractor to accept and remit child support payments on behalf of the Washington State Division of Child Support, Department of Social and Health Services, (DSHS/DCS), per incorporation of RFA # .
3. **Statement of Work:** The Contractor shall provide the services and staff, and otherwise do all things necessary for or incidental to the performance of the work, as set forth below:

The Contractor shall receipt funds from payers, collect necessary identifying and account information from the payer and electronically transfer the funds and payment remittance details to DSHS/DCS in the NACHA – The Electronic Payments Association, approved specific child support Corporate Credit or Debit plus addenda (CCD+) or Corporate Trade Exchange (CTX) Automated Clearing House (ACH) file format and transfer method. All funds must be received by DSHS/DCS in U.S. Dollars and DSHS/DCS will give credit to the payer on the date funds and payment details are received and properly identified by DSHS/DCS.

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- a. **Receipt of Funds.** The Contractor shall receipt funds from payers, collect necessary identifying and account information from the payer, then provide a receipt of payment to payer with the following language:
  - (1) **Payment Credit.** Payer will receive credit when 100% of funds are received and properly identified by DSHS/DCS. Payment is required to be transferred to DSHS/DCS no later than two (2) business days.
  - (2) **Foreign Currency Payment Credit.** Payments made in foreign currencies shall be recorded with the type and amount of currency received, source and exchange rate used for conversion on the date funds are received from the customer, and final U.S. dollar amount to be remitted to DSHS/DCS.
- b. **Fees.** The Contractor shall prominently post and publish the fee schedule for services provided to payers; fees will be charged to payers and will be consistent from customer to customer; no set-up or ongoing costs to DSHS/DCS.
- c. **Chargebacks.** The Contractor is solely responsible for any chargeback or returned funds, including, but not limited to recovery of funds and any additional service fees from the customer.
- d. **Remittance - Transfer of Funds:**
  - (1) **Transfer timeframe** - The Contractor shall guarantee that 100% of all funds are electronically transferred to DSHS/DCS bank account in U.S. Dollars and within two (2) business days of receipt.
  - (2) **Payment remittance information and format** - The Contractor shall ensure that all funds are transferred in the NACHA – The Electronic Payments Association approved specific child support Corporate Credit or Debit plus addenda (CCD+) or Corporate Trade Exchange (CTX) format Automated Clearing House (ACH) file format and transfer method.
- e. **Service Types (Specific types of alternate payment services to be provided by Contractor):**
- f. **Service Locations:** The Contractor shall provide services in the following geographic locations:
- g. **Contractor Reports:**
  - (1) The Contractor shall provide DSHS/DCS daily reports regarding child support payments received – data to be collected:
    - (a) Payer name;
    - (b) Address;
    - (c) Phone number;
    - (d) Email address (if available);
    - (e) Payer’s DCS Account number;
    - (f) Number of payments received;

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- (g) Amount of each payment;
  - (h) Total amount received; and
  - (i) Payment source.
- (2) Upon request from DSHS/DCS, Contractors must provide payer information, e.g., copy of payment instrument, address/phone number provided, copy of receipt provided to the payer, and any other details or records reasonably determined by DSHS/DCS to be relevant. The Contractor must provide requested information within ten (10) calendar days from date of request, without charge to DSHS/DCS.
- (3) DSHS reserves the right to request additional reports at no charge, within an agreed upon timeframe.
- h. **Compliance.** As a condition of this contract:
- (1) The Contractor **must** maintain compliance, throughout the contract period, with ACH rules as set forth by NACHA – The Electronic Payments Association regarding electronic payments, the laws of the United States including OFAC sanctions, the Credit Card Associations (VISA, MasterCard, Discover and American Express), and federal rules under Regulation E and Regulation Z as applicable to the services they are providing.
  - (2) The Contractor **must** be in compliance with Data Security requirements of the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI-DSS).
  - (3) **Failure to maintain compliance with either the ACH Rules or the PCI-DSS Data Security Requirements shall result in an immediate termination of this Contract for default.**
  - (4) Contractor is required to allow DSHS/DCS inspection of documents, policies and procedures related to monitoring of the program requirements, upon request.
  - (5) Contractor shall comply with resolution of any monitoring findings within a specific agreed upon time frame.
- i. **Data Security and Confidentiality:** Contractor is responsible for protecting information received pursuant to any agreement with the DSHS/DCS, from unauthorized disclosure. Any customer information received on behalf of and/or from DSHS/DCS is confidential, pursuant to the provisions of RCW 26.23.120. Re-disclosure of information under this agreement is prohibited under 42 USC 654(26).
- (1) All DCS Payer Information shall be used for purposes of transmitting child support payments only.
  - (2) Exhibit A, Data Security Requirements, outlines Contractor responsibility for data/document destruction.
  - (3) Payer data shall be retained by the Contractor throughout the length of the contract period, regardless of payer status; active or inactive.
- j. **Maintenance of Equipment:** All Contractor equipment, to include hardware and/or software; such as, kiosks, Contractor websites, telephone lines, etc. will be the responsibility of the Contractor and Contractor shall bear the costs of maintenance and repairs.

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### k. Customer Service:

- (1) The Contractor shall have a Payer/Vendor dispute resolution process in place.
- (2) The Contractor shall provide access to a single point of contact for both Payers and DSHS/DCS staff.
- (3) Customer Service availability and Point of Contact shall be required, at a minimum for the following:
  - (a) DSHS/DCS staff - Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Pacific Time.
  - (b) Payers - Monday through Sunday, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Pacific Time.
  - (c) Point of contact does not have to be the same for both DSHS/DCS staff and payers.
  - (d) Point of contact shall be reachable via phone, to include a toll-free number, fax and email.
  - (e) Contractor shall provide all necessary customer service information for DCS staff and payers, within five business days of contract start date. Contractor shall provide updates to their customer service information as changes occur.

4. **Consideration.** The Department shall not pay any fees associated with this contract or service.

### 5. Insurance

The Contractor shall at all times comply with the following insurance requirements.

#### a. General Liability Insurance

The Contractor shall maintain Commercial General Liability Insurance, or Business Liability Insurance, including coverage for bodily injury, property damage, and contractual liability, with the following minimum limits: Each Occurrence - \$1,000,000; General Aggregate - \$2,000,000. The policy shall include liability arising out of the parties' performance under this Contract, including but not limited to premises, operations, independent contractors, products-completed operations, personal injury, advertising injury, and liability assumed under an insured contract. The State of Washington, Department of Social & Health Services (DSHS), its elected and appointed officials, agents, and employees of the state, shall be named as additional insureds.

In lieu of general liability insurance mentioned above, if the contractor is a sole proprietor with less than three contracts, the contractor may choose one of the following three general liability policies but only if attached to a professional liability policy, and if selected the policy shall be maintained for the life of the contract:

Supplemental Liability Insurance, including coverage for bodily injury and property damage that will cover the contractor wherever the service is performed with the following minimum limits: Each Occurrence - \$1,000,000; General Aggregate - \$2,000,000. The State of Washington, Department of Social & Health Services (DSHS), its elected and appointed officials, agents, and employees shall be named as additional insured's.

or

Workplace Liability Insurance, including coverage for bodily injury and property damage that provides coverage wherever the service is performed with the following minimum limits: Each

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Occurrence - \$1,000,000; General Aggregate - \$2,000,000. The State of Washington, Department of Social & Health Services (DSHS), its elected and appointed officials, agents, and employees of the state, shall be named as additional insured's.

or

Premises Liability Insurance and provide services only at their recognized place of business, including coverage for bodily injury, property damage with the following minimum limits: Each Occurrence - \$1,000,000; General Aggregate - \$2,000,000. The State of Washington, Department of Social & Health Services (DSHS), its elected and appointed officials, agents, and employees of the state, shall be named as additional insured.

b. Worker's Compensation

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Worker's Compensation, occupational disease, and occupational health and safety laws and regulations. The State of Washington and DSHS shall not be held responsible for claims filed for Worker's Compensation under RCW 51 by the Contractor or its employees under such laws and regulations.

c. Employees and Volunteers

Insurance required of the Contractor under the Contract shall include coverage for the acts and omissions of the Contractor's employees and volunteers. In addition, the Contractor shall ensure that all employees and volunteers who use vehicles to transport clients or deliver services have personal automobile insurance and current driver's licenses.

d. Subcontractors

The Contractor shall ensure that all subcontractors have and maintain insurance with the same types and limits of coverage as required of the Contractor under the Contract.

e. Separation of Insureds

All insurance policies shall include coverage for cross liability and contain a "Separation of Insureds" provision.

f. Insurers

The Contractor shall obtain insurance from insurance companies identified as an admitted insurer/carrier in the State of Washington, with a Best's Reports' rating of B++, Class VII, or better. Surplus Lines insurance companies will have a rating of A-, Class VII, or better.

g. Evidence of Coverage

The Contractor shall upon request by the DSHS point of contact submit a copy of the Certificate of Insurance, policy, and additional insured endorsement for each coverage required of the Contractor under this Contract. The Certificate of Insurance shall identify the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services as the Certificate Holder. A duly authorized representative of each insurer, showing compliance with the insurance requirements specified in this Contract, shall execute each Certificate of Insurance.

The Contractor shall maintain copies of Certificates of Insurance, policies, and additional insured endorsements for each subcontractor as evidence that each subcontractor maintains insurance as

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required by the Contract.

### h. Material Changes

The insurer shall give the DSHS point of contact listed on page one of this Contract 45 days advance written notice of cancellation or non-renewal. If cancellation is due to non-payment of premium, the insurer shall give DSHS 10 days advance written notice of cancellation.

### i. General

By requiring insurance, the State of Washington and DSHS do not represent that the coverage and limits specified will be adequate to protect the Contractor. Such coverage and limits shall not be construed to relieve the Contractor from liability in excess of the required coverage and limits and shall not limit the Contractor's liability under the indemnities and reimbursements granted to the State and DSHS in this Contract. All insurance provided in compliance with this Contract shall be primary as to any other insurance or self-insurance programs afforded to or maintained by the State.

### j. Waiver

The Contractor waives all rights, claims and causes of action against the State of Washington and DSHS for the recovery of damages to the extent said damages are covered by insurance maintained by Contractor.

### k. Professional Liability Insurance (PL)

The Contractor shall maintain Professional Liability Insurance or Errors & Omissions insurance, including coverage for losses caused by errors and omissions, with the following minimum limits: Each Occurrence - \$1,000,000; Aggregate - \$2,000,000.

## 6. Additional Indemnification and Hold Harmless

In following requirements are in addition to those outlined in this Contract's General Terms and Conditions.

- a. The Contractor agrees to be responsible for full risk of loss for any funds received for child support payments on behalf of the Washington State Division of Child Support, Department of Social and Health Services, until remitted to the specified DCS's bank account.

The Contractor is required to maintain a disaster contingency and disaster recovery plan throughout the contract performance period and shall submit to DSHS/DCS for inspection within thirty (30) days of the contract start date and then again upon request by DSHS/DCS.

- (1) **Contingency Plan** – The Contractor must have in place and must maintain a Contingency Plan for their agency in case of any emergencies (inclement weather, system failure, security breach – data or theft, etc.) to include 100% transfer of funds and payment detail remittance.
- (2) **Disaster Recovery Plan** – The Contractor must have in place and must maintain a Disaster Recovery Plan that will allow for the continuation of business to include 100% transfer of funds and payment detail remittance and shall submit to DSHS/DCS for inspection upon request.
- (3) **Resumption of Services** – The Contractor must ensure continuity of services and the resumption of full Child Support payment processing operations within twenty-four (24) hours of any service outage.

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- b. **Bond** – Contractor must supply proof of purchase of a bond from a licensed surety listing the State of Washington, DSHS, Economic Services Administration, Division of Child Support as the beneficiary and documenting an extent of coverage of \$250,000 at a minimum, except as noted below:

- (1) The required dollar amount of bond shall be reassessed by DCS during the first year at six (6) months and again at one (1) year and shall be:

Adjusted, to increase or decrease the required purchase amount of the bond, and shall be based on two (2) times the Contractor/Vendor's highest monthly receipts over the previous review period.

The Contractor shall, at all times, carry a bond that is equal to or greater than two (2) times the monthly receipts, however, at no time shall the Contractor's bond be adjusted below \$100,000 coverage.

- (2) DSHS/DCS shall review this requirement, no less than annually to ensure adequate protection of state funds.
- (3) If the Contractor's receipts exceeded the bond amount for more than three (3) months, DSHS/DCS at its discretion, may require the bond be equal to five (5) times the highest monthly receipts within the past year.

If a Contractor, who had a bond equal to five (5) times the highest monthly receipts, can show that they have remained below the required Bond amount for one year, DSHS/DCS, at its discretion, may reduce the required bond to be equal to or greater than two (2) times the monthly receipts.

- (4) DSHS/DCS, at its discretion, may terminate this Contract for default, if receipts have exceeded the bond amount for more than six (6) months.
- (5) It is a **requirement** of this Contract that adequate coverage must remain in effect throughout the term of this Contract.

**No Exceptions – Failure to maintain adequate coverage may result in immediate termination of the contract for default.**

### 7. Settlement to the State.

- a. All funds collected are from private individuals payable to DSHS/DCS for the sole purpose of satisfying a child support obligation. At no point in time shall any funds collected be deemed to be "public funds" or "unused general funds."
- b. Funds will be settled through an Automated Clearing House (ACH) transfer of gross receipts payable to DSHS/DCS to the specified DSHS/DCS bank account.
- c. The Contractor will provide daily settlement to DSHS/DCS such that the payment and credit records are remitted into the specified DSHS/DCS bank account no later than two (2) business days after the payment and credit records are identified as DSHS/DCS funds.
- d. The primary method of transfer shall be through the ACH.
- e. Contractor shall assume full responsibility for loss of any funds received for payments on behalf of



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the Washington State Division of Child Support until deposited to the specified DSHS/DCS bank account.

8. **Disputes.** Either party may submit a request for resolution of a contract dispute (*rates set by law, regulation or DSHS policy are not disputable*). The requesting party shall submit a written statement identifying the issue(s) in dispute and the relative positions of the parties. A request for a dispute resolution must include the Contractor's name, address, and contract number, and be mailed to the address listed below within thirty (30) calendar days after the party could reasonably be expected to have knowledge of the issue in dispute.

**DSHS/Division of Child Support**  
**Attn. Ann Polanco**  
**PO Box 9162**  
**Olympia, WA 98501**

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## Exhibit A – Data Security Requirements

1. **Definitions.** The words and phrases listed below, as used in this Exhibit, shall each have the following definitions:
  - a. “AES” means the Advanced Encryption Standard, a specification of Federal Information Processing Standards Publications for the encryption of electronic data issued by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (<http://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/FIPS/NIST.FIPS.197.pdf>).
  - b. “Authorized Users(s)” means an individual or individuals with a business need to access DSHS Confidential Information, and who has or have been authorized to do so.
  - c. “Business Associate Agreement” means an agreement between DSHS and a contractor who is receiving Data covered under the Privacy and Security Rules of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996. The agreement establishes permitted and required uses and disclosures of protected health information (PHI) in accordance with HIPAA requirements and provides obligations for business associates to safeguard the information.
  - d. “Category 4 Data” is data that is confidential and requires special handling due to statutes or regulations that require especially strict protection of the data and from which especially serious consequences may arise in the event of any compromise of such data. Data classified as Category 4 includes but is not limited to data protected by: the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), Pub. L. 104-191 as amended by the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act of 2009 (HITECH), 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164; the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. §1232g; 34 CFR Part 99; Internal Revenue Service Publication 1075 (<https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p1075.pdf>); Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration regulations on Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records, 42 CFR Part 2; and/or Criminal Justice Information Services, 28 CFR Part 20.
  - e. “Cloud” means data storage on servers hosted by an entity other than the Contractor and on a network outside the control of the Contractor. Physical storage of data in the cloud typically spans multiple servers and often multiple locations. Cloud storage can be divided between consumer grade storage for personal files and enterprise grade for companies and governmental entities. Examples of consumer grade storage would include iTunes, Dropbox, Box.com, and many other entities. Enterprise cloud vendors include Microsoft Azure, Amazon Web Services, and Rackspace.
  - f. “Encrypt” means to encode Confidential Information into a format that can only be read by those possessing a “key”; a password, digital certificate or other mechanism available only to authorized users. Encryption must use a key length of at least 256 bits for symmetric keys, or 2048 bits for asymmetric keys. When a symmetric key is used, the Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) must be used if available.
  - g. “FedRAMP” means the Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program (see [www.fedramp.gov](http://www.fedramp.gov)), which is an assessment and authorization process that federal government agencies have been directed to use to ensure security is in place when accessing Cloud computing products and services.
  - h. “Hardened Password” means a string of at least eight characters containing at least three of the following four character classes: Uppercase alphabetic, lowercase alphabetic, numeral, and special characters such as an asterisk, ampersand, or exclamation point.
  - i. “Mobile Device” means a computing device, typically smaller than a notebook, which runs a mobile operating system, such as iOS, Android, or Windows Phone. Mobile Devices include smart phones, most tablets, and other form factors.

- j. “Multi-factor Authentication” means controlling access to computers and other IT resources by requiring two or more pieces of evidence that the user is who they claim to be. These pieces of evidence consist of something the user knows, such as a password or PIN; something the user has such as a key card, smart card, or physical token; and something the user is, a biometric identifier such as a fingerprint, facial scan, or retinal scan. “PIN” means a personal identification number, a series of numbers which act as a password for a device. Since PINs are typically only four to six characters, PINs are usually used in conjunction with another factor of authentication, such as a fingerprint.
- k. “Portable Device” means any computing device with a small form factor, designed to be transported from place to place. Portable devices are primarily battery powered devices with base computing resources in the form of a processor, memory, storage, and network access. Examples include, but are not limited to, mobile phones, tablets, and laptops. Mobile Device is a subset of Portable Device.
- l. “Portable Media” means any machine readable media that may routinely be stored or moved independently of computing devices. Examples include magnetic tapes, optical discs (CDs or DVDs), flash memory (thumb drive) devices, external hard drives, and internal hard drives that have been removed from a computing device.
- m. “Secure Area” means an area to which only authorized representatives of the entity possessing the Confidential Information have access, and access is controlled through use of a key, card key, combination lock, or comparable mechanism. Secure Areas may include buildings, rooms or locked storage containers (such as a filing cabinet or desk drawer) within a room, as long as access to the Confidential Information is not available to unauthorized personnel. In otherwise Secure Areas, such as an office with restricted access, the Data must be secured in such a way as to prevent access by non-authorized staff such as janitorial or facility security staff, when authorized Contractor staff are not present to ensure that non-authorized staff cannot access it.
- n. “Trusted Network” means a network operated and maintained by the Contractor, which includes security controls sufficient to protect DSHS Data on that network. Controls would include a firewall between any other networks, access control lists on networking devices such as routers and switches, and other such mechanisms which protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the Data.
- o. “Unique User ID” means a string of characters that identifies a specific user and which, in conjunction with a password, passphrase or other mechanism, authenticates a user to an information system.

2. **Authority.** The security requirements described in this document reflect the applicable requirements of Standard 141.10 (<https://ocio.wa.gov/policies>) of the Office of the Chief Information Officer for the state of Washington, and of the DSHS Information Security Policy and Standards Manual. Reference material related to these requirements can be found here: <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/fsa/central-contract-services/keeping-dshs-client-information-private-and-secure>, which is a site developed by the DSHS Information Security Office and hosted by DSHS Central Contracts and Legal Services.

- 3. Administrative Controls.** The Contractor must have the following controls in place:
- a. A documented security policy governing the secure use of its computer network and systems, and which defines sanctions that may be applied to Contractor staff for violating that policy.
  - b. Security awareness training for all employees, presented at least annually, which informs Contractor staff of their responsibilities under the Contractor's security policy. If the Contractor does not have an appropriate security awareness course, any of their staff who will work with the Data or systems housing the Data, must successfully complete the DSHS Information Security Awareness Training, which can be taken on this web page: <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/fsa/central-contract-services/it-security-awareness-training>.
  - c. If the Data shared under this agreement is classified as Category 4, the Contractor must be aware of and compliant with the applicable legal or regulatory requirements for that Category 4 Data.
  - d. If Confidential Information shared under this agreement is classified as Category 4, the Contractor must have a documented risk assessment for the system(s) housing the Category 4 Data.
- 4. Authorization, Authentication, and Access.** In order to ensure that access to the Data is limited to authorized staff, the Contractor must:
- a. Have documented policies and procedures governing access to systems with the shared Data.
  - b. Restrict access through administrative, physical, and technical controls to authorized staff.
  - c. Ensure that user accounts are unique and that any given user account logon ID and password combination is known only to the one employee to whom that account is assigned. For purposes of non-repudiation, it must always be possible to determine which employee performed a given action on a system housing the Data based solely on the logon ID used to perform the action.
  - d. Ensure that only authorized users are capable of accessing the Data.
  - e. Ensure that an employee's access to the Data is removed immediately:
    - (1) Upon suspected compromise of the user credentials.
    - (2) When their employment, or the contract under which the Data is made available to them, is terminated.
    - (3) When they no longer need access to the Data to fulfill the requirements of the contract.
  - f. Have a process to periodically review and verify that only authorized users have access to systems containing DSHS Confidential Information.
  - g. When accessing the Data from within the Contractor's network (the Data stays within the Contractor's network at all times), enforce password and logon requirements for users within the Contractor's network, including:
    - (1) A minimum length of 8 characters, and containing at least three of the following character classes: uppercase letters, lowercase letters, numerals, and special characters such as an asterisk, ampersand, or exclamation point.
    - (2) That a password does not contain a user's name, logon ID, or any form of their full name.

- (3) That a password does not consist of a single dictionary word. A password may be formed as a passphrase which consists of multiple dictionary words.
  - (4) That passwords are significantly different from the previous four passwords. Passwords that increment by simply adding a number are not considered significantly different.
- h. When accessing Confidential Information from an external location (the Data will traverse the Internet or otherwise travel outside the Contractor's network), mitigate risk and enforce password and logon requirements for users by employing measures including:
- (1) Ensuring mitigations applied to the system don't allow end-user modification.
  - (2) Not allowing the use of dial-up connections.
  - (3) Using industry standard protocols and solutions for remote access. Examples would include RADIUS and Citrix.
  - (4) Encrypting all remote access traffic from the external workstation to Trusted Network or to a component within the Trusted Network. The traffic must be encrypted at all times while traversing any network, including the Internet, which is not a Trusted Network.
  - (5) Ensuring that the remote access system prompts for re-authentication or performs automated session termination after no more than 30 minutes of inactivity.
  - (6) Ensuring use of Multi-factor Authentication to connect from the external end point to the internal end point.
- i. Passwords or PIN codes may meet a lesser standard if used in conjunction with another authentication mechanism, such as a biometric (fingerprint, face recognition, iris scan) or token (software, hardware, smart card, etc.) in that case:
- (1) The PIN or password must be at least 5 letters or numbers when used in conjunction with at least one other authentication factor
  - (2) Must not be comprised of all the same letter or number (11111, 22222, aaaaa, would not be acceptable)
  - (3) Must not contain a "run" of three or more consecutive numbers (12398, 98743 would not be acceptable)
- j. If the contract specifically allows for the storage of Confidential Information on a Mobile Device, passcodes used on the device must:
- (1) Be a minimum of six alphanumeric characters.
  - (2) Contain at least three unique character classes (upper case, lower case, letter, number).
  - (3) Not contain more than a three consecutive character run. Passcodes consisting of 12345, or abcd12 would not be acceptable.
- k. Render the device unusable after a maximum of 10 failed logon attempts.

**5. Protection of Data.** The Contractor agrees to store Data on one or more of the following media and protect the Data as described:

- a. **Hard disk drives.** For Data stored on local workstation hard disks, access to the Data will be restricted to Authorized User(s) by requiring logon to the local workstation using a Unique User ID and Hardened Password or other authentication mechanisms which provide equal or greater security, such as biometrics or smart cards.
- b. **Network server disks.** For Data stored on hard disks mounted on network servers and made available through shared folders, access to the Data will be restricted to Authorized Users through the use of access control lists which will grant access only after the Authorized User has authenticated to the network using a Unique User ID and Hardened Password or other authentication mechanisms which provide equal or greater security, such as biometrics or smart cards. Data on disks mounted to such servers must be located in an area which is accessible only to authorized personnel, with access controlled through use of a key, card key, combination lock, or comparable mechanism.

For DSHS Confidential Information stored on these disks, deleting unneeded Data is sufficient as long as the disks remain in a Secure Area and otherwise meet the requirements listed in the above paragraph. Destruction of the Data, as outlined below in Section 8 Data Disposition, may be deferred until the disks are retired, replaced, or otherwise taken out of the Secure Area.

- c. **Optical discs (CDs or DVDs) in local workstation optical disc drives.** Data provided by DSHS on optical discs which will be used in local workstation optical disc drives and which will not be transported out of a Secure Area. When not in use for the contracted purpose, such discs must be Stored in a Secure Area. Workstations which access DSHS Data on optical discs must be located in an area which is accessible only to authorized personnel, with access controlled through use of a key, card key, combination lock, or comparable mechanism.
- d. **Optical discs (CDs or DVDs) in drives or jukeboxes attached to servers.** Data provided by DSHS on optical discs which will be attached to network servers and which will not be transported out of a Secure Area. Access to Data on these discs will be restricted to Authorized Users through the use of access control lists which will grant access only after the Authorized User has authenticated to the network using a Unique User ID and Hardened Password or other authentication mechanisms which provide equal or greater security, such as biometrics or smart cards. Data on discs attached to such servers must be located in an area which is accessible only to authorized personnel, with access controlled through use of a key, card key, combination lock, or comparable mechanism.
- e. **Paper documents.** Any paper records must be protected by storing the records in a Secure Area which is only accessible to authorized personnel. When not in use, such records must be stored in a Secure Area.
- f. **Remote Access.** Access to and use of the Data over the State Governmental Network (SGN) or Secure Access Washington (SAW) will be controlled by DSHS staff who will issue authentication credentials (e.g. a Unique User ID and Hardened Password) to Authorized Users on Contractor's staff. Contractor will notify DSHS staff immediately whenever an Authorized User in possession of such credentials is terminated or otherwise leaves the employ of the Contractor, and whenever an Authorized User's duties change such that the Authorized User no longer requires access to perform work for this Contract.
- g. **Data storage on portable devices or media.**

(1) Except where otherwise specified herein, DSHS Data shall not be stored by the Contractor on portable devices or media unless specifically authorized within the terms and conditions of the Contract. If so authorized, the Data shall be given the following protections:

- (a) Encrypt the Data.
  - (b) Control access to devices with a Unique User ID and Hardened Password or stronger authentication method such as a physical token or biometrics.
  - (c) Manually lock devices whenever they are left unattended and set devices to lock automatically after a period of inactivity, if this feature is available. Maximum period of inactivity is 20 minutes.
  - (d) Apply administrative and physical security controls to Portable Devices and Portable Media by:
    - i. Keeping them in a Secure Area when not in use,
    - ii. Using check-in/check-out procedures when they are shared, and
    - iii. Taking frequent inventories.
  - (2) When being transported outside of a Secure Area, Portable Devices and Portable Media with DSHS Confidential Information must be under the physical control of Contractor staff with authorization to access the Data, even if the Data is encrypted.
- h. Data stored for backup purposes.**
- (1) DSHS Confidential Information may be stored on Portable Media as part of a Contractor's existing, documented backup process for business continuity or disaster recovery purposes. Such storage is authorized until such time as that media would be reused during the course of normal backup operations. If backup media is retired while DSHS Confidential Information still exists upon it, such media will be destroyed at that time in accordance with the disposition requirements below in Section 8 *Data Disposition*.
  - (2) Data may be stored on non-portable media (e.g. Storage Area Network drives, virtual media, etc.) as part of a Contractor's existing, documented backup process for business continuity or disaster recovery purposes. If so, such media will be protected as otherwise described in this exhibit. If this media is retired while DSHS Confidential Information still exists upon it, the data will be destroyed at that time in accordance with the disposition requirements below in Section 8 *Data Disposition*.
- i. Cloud storage.** DSHS Confidential Information requires protections equal to or greater than those specified elsewhere within this exhibit. Cloud storage of Data is problematic as neither DSHS nor the Contractor has control of the environment in which the Data is stored. For this reason:
- (1) DSHS Data will not be stored in any consumer grade Cloud solution, unless all of the following conditions are met:
    - (a) Contractor has written procedures in place governing use of the Cloud storage and Contractor attests in writing that all such procedures will be uniformly followed.
    - (b) The Data will be Encrypted while within the Contractor network.
    - (c) The Data will remain Encrypted during transmission to the Cloud.
    - (d) The Data will remain Encrypted at all times while residing within the Cloud storage solution.

- (e) The Contractor will possess a decryption key for the Data, and the decryption key will be possessed only by the Contractor and/or DSHS.
- (f) The Data will not be downloaded to non-authorized systems, meaning systems that are not on either the DSHS or Contractor networks.
- (g) The Data will not be decrypted until downloaded onto a computer within the control of an Authorized User and within either the DSHS or Contractor's network.

(2) Data will not be stored on an Enterprise Cloud storage solution unless either:

- (a) The Cloud storage provider is treated as any other Sub-Contractor, and agrees in writing to all of the requirements within this exhibit; or,
- (b) The Cloud storage solution used is FedRAMP certified.

(3) If the Data includes protected health information covered by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), the Cloud provider must sign a Business Associate Agreement prior to Data being stored in their Cloud solution.

**6. System Protection.** To prevent compromise of systems which contain DSHS Data or through which that Data passes:

- a. Systems containing DSHS Data must have all security patches or hotfixes applied within 3 months of being made available.
- b. The Contractor will have a method of ensuring that the requisite patches and hotfixes have been applied within the required timeframes.
- c. Systems containing DSHS Data shall have an Anti-Malware application, if available, installed.
- d. Anti-Malware software shall be kept up to date. The product, its anti-virus engine, and any malware database the system uses, will be no more than one update behind current.

**7. Data Segregation.**

- a. DSHS Data must be segregated or otherwise distinguishable from non-DSHS data. This is to ensure that when no longer needed by the Contractor, all DSHS Data can be identified for return or destruction. It also aids in determining whether DSHS Data has or may have been compromised in the event of a security breach. As such, one or more of the following methods will be used for data segregation.
  - (1) DSHS Data will be kept on media (e.g. hard disk, optical disc, tape, etc.) which will contain no non-DSHS Data. And/or,
  - (2) DSHS Data will be stored in a logical container on electronic media, such as a partition or folder dedicated to DSHS Data. And/or,
  - (3) DSHS Data will be stored in a database which will contain no non-DSHS data. And/or,
  - (4) DSHS Data will be stored within a database and will be distinguishable from non-DSHS data by the value of a specific field or fields within database records.
  - (5) When stored as physical paper documents, DSHS Data will be physically segregated from non-DSHS data in a drawer, folder, or other container.



b. When it is not feasible or practical to segregate DSHS Data from non-DSHS data, then both the DSHS Data and the non-DSHS data with which it is commingled must be protected as described in this exhibit.

8. **Data Disposition.** When the contracted work has been completed or when the Data is no longer needed, except as noted above in Section 5.b, Data shall be returned to DSHS or destroyed. Media on which Data may be stored and associated acceptable methods of destruction are as follows:

| <b>Data stored on:</b>   | <b>Will be destroyed by:</b>  |
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| Server or workstation hard disks, or<br><br>Removable media (e.g. floppies, USB flash drives, portable hard disks) excluding optical discs | Using a “wipe” utility which will overwrite the Data at least three (3) times using either random or single character data, or<br><br>Degaussing sufficiently to ensure that the Data cannot be reconstructed, or<br><br>Physically destroying the disk |
| Paper documents with sensitive or Confidential Information   | Recycling through a contracted firm, provided the contract with the recycler assures that the confidentiality of Data will be protected.  |
| Paper documents containing Confidential Information requiring special handling (e.g. protected health information)                         | On-site shredding, pulping, or incineration   |
| Optical discs (e.g. CDs or DVDs)   | Incineration, shredding, or completely defacing the readable surface with a coarse abrasive   |
| Magnetic tape  | Degaussing, incinerating or crosscut shredding  |

9. **Notification of Compromise or Potential Compromise.** The compromise or potential compromise of DSHS shared Data must be reported to the DSHS Contact designated in the Contract within one (1) business day of discovery. If no DSHS Contact is designated in the Contract, then the notification must be reported to the DSHS Privacy Officer at [dshsprivacyofficer@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:dshsprivacyofficer@dshs.wa.gov). Contractor must also take actions to mitigate the risk of loss and comply with any notification or other requirements imposed by law or DSHS.

10. **Data shared with Subcontractors.** If DSHS Data provided under this Contract is to be shared with a subcontractor, the Contract with the subcontractor must include all of the data security provisions within this Contract and within any amendments, attachments, or exhibits within this Contract. If the Contractor cannot protect the Data as articulated within this Contract, then the contract with the subcontractor must be submitted to the DSHS Contact specified for this contract for review and approval.