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CONTRACT FOR SPECIALIZED TREATMENT SERVICES
Contract Number #AMSN1114

This contract effective **upon final signature**, and is by and between the **Texas Youth Commission**, hereinafter **TYC**, and **Ryan K. Watson, 7460 Golden Pond Place #100, Amarillo, TX 79121** hereinafter **Service Provider**, for the provision of providing **Specialized Treatment Services**, for TYC youth. This contract will expire on **August 31, 2013**.

This contract is entered into under the authority of §61.037, Human Resources Code, for the mutual considerations described in this contract.

The contract shall consist of one (1) document. This document will contain all of the rights and duties of the parties identified in the RFP (including its attachments, exhibits, supplements, and addenda); the Provider's Proposal; negotiated changes; and the Provider's Best and Final Offer (if required). All references to "number of days" shall be in calendar days unless otherwise noted.

Order of Precedence

In the event of conflicts or inconsistencies between this contract and its exhibits or attachments, such conflicts or inconsistencies shall be resolved by reference to the documents in the following order of priority:

1. The Contract, including all attachments;
2. Service Provider's Best and Final Offer (if required);
3. Written negotiated changes and clarifications;
4. Service Provider's proposal dated **April 14, 2011**; and
5. Request for Proposal #694-0-ST33110-E, including all attachments.

SECTION I
SERVICE PROVIDER

The Service Provider agrees to perform one or more of the following services for TYC youth:

A. ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG TREATMENT:

The Service Provider agrees to perform the following services for TYC youth:

1. Maintain licensure as Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor or a Qualified Credential Counselor for the full term of the contract and any subsequent extensions as pre-approved by TYC. Service provider must be licensed in the State of Texas before any services are rendered pursuant to this contract. All counselors providing services to TYC youth, after this contract is fully executed, must be properly qualified and credentialed and pre-approved by TYC before any services are rendered pursuant to this contract.
2. Review the youth's TYC assessment, treatment plan, and discharge/transition summary or other treatment records and recommendations for treatment based on youth's risk and protective factors at the point of implementing treatment. Services described in this paragraph required only the first month youth is admitted for treatment.

3. Conduct an initial interview with youth to determine youth's understanding of the treatment needs identified above and to establish the basis for developing the youth's treatment plan.
4. Develop an initial written Individual Case Plan (ICP) that contains treatment goals and expected duration of treatment that explicitly addresses each of the identified recommendations will be provided to the youth Primary Service Worker (PSW) within **5 days** of the initial appointment as outlined in TAC25, Chapter 448. The case plan shall include a behaviorally written sequence of objectives designed to address and minimize the youth's risk factors or triggers for reoffending and relapse, The ICP shall contain specific strategies to achieve the objective(s) (group, individual, family sessions, etc.) and shall reference any specific curriculum or treatment program used. The plan shall include a summary of the initial interview and any case notes.
5. Provide evidence-based treatment programming as determined by the youth's individualized level of care needs. Treatment for those youth will involve evidence-based Relapse Prevention curricula approved by the Chief of Substance Abuse Services. Provider must submit programming for approval prior to contract being awarded.
6. Provide the following:
 - a. AOD services will be provided based on the youth's need for an agreed upon length of time and type as discussed with the youth's PSW. If group services are preferred, but not feasible because there are not enough youth available, the service provider shall include individual treatment services. Individual services shall be a minimum of one (1) hour per month and up to two (2) hours per week. Group services shall be a minimum of one hour and a half (1.5) hours and up to three (3) hours per week. Additional service time requires prior approval from TYC.
 - b. Services are to be provided in the provider's office, TYC facility or as needed in youth's home. If services are to be provided in a youth's home a safety plan must be approved by TYC prior to services beginning. If services are provided in the home, this type of service location must be relevant to the youth's needs.
 - c. Documentation of any collateral contact/case management. Collateral contacts could include attending Admissions Review and Dismissal (A.R.D.) meetings, Community Resource Coordination Group (C.R.C.G.) staffing and development of the treatment plan, interview and evaluation of youth, meetings with TYC staff, coordinating care with psychiatric providers, monthly progress reports
7. The service provider shall submit copies of monthly progress reports to TYC PSW that include the following information:
 - a. The youth's progress toward reducing risk factors and increasing protective factors related to treatment,
 - b. Summary of the youth's participation in clinical services provided,
 - c. Copy of the youth's Individual Case Plan that summarizes the youth's movement towards completing the objectives stated, participation in services provided, relevant behavior and barriers identified;
 - d. A copy of the revised Individual Case Plan for the next month with revised objectives, strategies or approaches;
 - e. Documentation of all collateral contacts made; and,
 - f. Copies of dated weekly sign-in sheets showing the printed name and signature of each youth and service provider conducting the session. Or TYC group attendance logs as designated by program type.
8. If group sessions are required they must be preapproved and group size limited to a maximum of eight (8) youth. Provide adequate facility space for services which affords confidentiality of group

members. If space is determined to be inadequate, TYC reserves the right to remove youth from the program.

9. Communicate the youth's treatment schedule to the designated TYC staff member. Submit schedule changes and attendance sheets to designated TYC staff member showing those youth present and absent from sessions on a weekly basis including signature of both youth and provider.
10. Contact youth's PSW after one (1) missed appointment. Discharge youth from service after two (2) missed sessions within one (1) month or a total of three (3) missed sessions and notify designated TYC staff member within 24 hours of discharge.
11. Provide, if applicable, services in a facility if requested by TYC PSW.

B. MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT:

The Service Provider agrees to perform the following services for TYC youth:

1. Maintain licensure as a Masters or Doctoral level therapist or psychiatrist for the full term of the contract and any subsequent extensions as pre-approved by TYC. Service provider must be licensed in the State of Texas before any services are rendered pursuant to this contract. Any clinician providing services to TYC youth within the contracted provider's practice, after this contract is fully executed, must be properly licensed and pre-approved by TYC before any services are rendered pursuant to this contract.
2. Review the youth's TYC assessment, treatment plan, and discharge/transition summary or other treatment records and recommendations for treatment based on youth's risk and protective factors at the point of implementing treatment. Services described in this paragraph required only the first month youth is admitted for treatment.
3. Conduct an initial interview with youth to determine youth's understanding of the treatment needs identified above and to establish the basis for developing youth's treatment plan.
4. Develop an initial written Individual Case Plan (ICP) that contains treatment goals and expected duration of treatment that explicitly addresses each of the identified recommendations which will be provided to the youth PSW within **5 days** of the initial appointment. The ICP shall include a behaviorally written sequence of objectives designed to address and minimize the youth's risk factors or triggers for reoffending and relapse, The ICP shall contain specific approach(s) to achieve the objective(s) [group, individual, family sessions, etc.] and shall reference any specific curriculum or treatment program used. Services described in this paragraph required only the first month youth is admitted for treatment. The plan shall include a summary of the initial interview and any case notes.
5. Provide evidence-based treatment programming as determined by the youth's individualized level of care needs and approved by TYC. Provider must submit programming for approval prior to contract being awarded.
6. Provide the following:
 - a. Mental health services will be provided for an agreed upon length of time and type as discussed with the youth's PSW and recommended by the transition plan. If group services are preferred but not feasible because there are not enough youth available, the service provider shall include individual treatment services. Individual services shall be a minimum of one (1) hour per month and up to two (2) hours per week. Group services shall be a minimum of one hour and a half (1.5) hours and up to three (3) hours per week. Additional service time requires prior approval from TYC.

- b. Services are to be provided in the provider's office, TYC facility or if needed in youth's home. If services are to be provided in a youth's home a safety plan must be approved by TYC prior to services beginning. If services are provided in the home, this type of service location must be relevant to the youth's needs.
 - c. Documentation of any collateral contact/case management. Collateral contacts could include attending Admissions Review and Dismissal (A.R.D.) meetings, Community Resource Coordination Group (C.R.C.G.) staffing and development of the treatment plan, interview and evaluation of youth, meetings with TYC staff, coordinating care with psychiatric providers, monthly progress reports.
7. The provider shall submit a copy of the proposed individual treatment plan to the youth's Primary Service Worker (PSW) within **5 days** of initial visit. The plan shall include a summary of the initial interview and any case notes.
 8. Provide monthly progress reports to the designated TYC staff that include:
 - a. Youth's progress toward reducing risk factors and increasing protective factors related to treatment,
 - b. Summary of youth's participation in clinical services provided,
 - c. Summary of youth's overall behavior,
 - d. Relevant therapeutic issues,
 - e. Documentation of collateral contacts made, and,
 - f. Copies of dated weekly sign-in sheets showing the printed name and signature of each youth and service provider conducting the session and,
 9. Communicate the youth's treatment schedule to the designated TYC staff member. Submit schedule changes and attendance sheets to designated TYC staff member showing those youth present and absent from sessions on a weekly basis including signature of both youth and provider.
 10. Contact youth's PSW after one (1) missed appointment. Discharge youth from service after two (2) missed sessions within one (1) month or a total of three (3) missed sessions and notify designated TYC staff member within 24 hours of discharge.
 11. Provide, if applicable, services in a facility if requested by TYC PSW.

C. SEXUAL BEHAVIOR TREATMENT:

The Service Provider agrees to perform the following services for Texas Youth Commission (TYC) youth:

1. Maintain licensure as a Licensed Sex Offender Treatment Provider for the full term of the contract and any subsequent extensions as pre-approved by TYC. Service provider must be licensed in the State of Texas before any services are rendered pursuant to this contract. Any clinician providing services to TYC youth within the contracted provider's practice, after this contract is fully executed, must be properly licensed and pre-approved by TYC before any services are rendered pursuant to this contract.
2. Review the youth's TYC assessment, treatment plan, and discharge/transition summary or other treatment records and recommendations for sexual behavior (SB) treatment based on youth's risk and protective factors at the point of implementing treatment. Services described in this paragraph required only the first month youth is admitted for treatment.
3. Conduct an initial interview with youth to determine youth's understanding of the treatment needs identified above and to establish the basis for developing youth's treatment plan.

4. Develop an initial written Individual Case Plan (ICP) that contains treatment goals and expected duration of treatment that explicitly addresses each of the identified recommendations which will be provided to the youth PSW within **5 days** of the initial appointment. The ICP shall include a behaviorally written sequence of objectives designed to address and minimize the youth's risk factors or triggers for reoffending and relapse. The ICP shall contain specific approach(s) to achieve the objective(s) (group, individual, family sessions, etc.) and shall reference any specific curriculum or treatment program used. The plan shall include a summary of the initial interview and any case notes.
5. Provide evidence-based treatment programming as determined by the youth's individualized level of care needs and approved by TYC. Provider must submit programming for approval prior to contract being awarded.
6. Provide the following:
 - a. Sexual Behavior Treatment services will be provided for an agreed upon length of time and type as discussed with the youth's PSW and recommended by the transition plan. If group services are preferred but not feasible because there are not enough youth available, the service provider shall include individual treatment services. Individual services shall be a minimum of one (1) hour per month and up to two (2) hours per week. Group services shall be a minimum of one hour and a half (1.5) hours and up to three (3) hours per week. Additional service time requires prior approval from TYC.
 - b. Services are to be provided in the provider's office, TYC facility, or as needed in youth's home. If services are to be provided in a youth's home a safety plan must be approved by TYC prior to services beginning. If services are provided in the home, this type of service location must be relevant to the youth's needs.
 - c. Documentation of any collateral contact/case management. Collateral contacts could include attending Admissions Review and Dismissal (A.R.D.) meetings, Community Resource Coordination Group (C.R.C.G.) staffing and development of the treatment plan, interview and evaluation of youth, meetings with TYC staff, coordinating care with psychiatric providers, monthly progress reports.
7. Provide monthly progress reports to the designated TYC staff that include:
 - a. Youth's progress toward reducing risk factors and increasing protective factors related treatment,
 - b. Summary of youth's participation in clinical services provided,
 - c. Summary of youth's overall behavior,
 - d. Relevant therapeutic issues,
 - e. Documentation of collateral contacts made, and,
 - f. Copies of dated weekly sign-in sheets showing the printed name and signature of each youth and service provider conducting the session.
8. If group services are provided the provider will limit group size to a maximum of ten (10) youth and provide adequate facility space for services which affords confidentiality of group members if services are provided offsite.
9. Communicate the youth's treatment schedule to the designated TYC staff member. Submit schedule changes and attendance sheets to designated TYC staff member showing those youth present and absent from sessions on a weekly basis including signature of both youth and provider.
10. Contact youth's PSW after one (1) missed appointment. Discharge youth from service after two (2) missed sessions within one (1) month or a total of three (3) missed sessions and notify designated TYC staff member within 24 hours of discharge.
11. Provide services, if applicable, in a facility if requested by TYC PSW.

D. THE FOLLOWING APPLIES TO ALL SERVICES:

1. TYC will pay for services based on Medicaid rates for services at the time of delivery. Those rates are included in **Exhibit A, Fee Schedule**. At the end of each performance period consideration will be given for rate adjustments based on changes to the Medicaid rates.
2. Service Providers will provide services in the counties within their service area(s) identified in **Exhibit B, Service Area and Locations**. Services are defined as in office, out of office and in home services. Out of office services may include TYC institutions, halfway houses, parole offices and TYC contracted residential facilities.
3. Submit monthly invoice to designated TYC billing location for services provided, no later than ten (10) days from the last day of the month for which payment is requested. Each invoice must contain the name and TYC number of the youth for whom services were provided, the date said services were provided and a description of the services rendered include sign in sheets and monthly progress reports.
4. Notify the Director of Contracts, Procurement and Support Services in writing of all revenue sources and reimbursements from third parties for any and all costs or services associated exclusively with a youth served under this contract. Billing more than one revenue source for the same costs or services provided to a single youth is prohibited and shall be recouped or administrative error sanctions shall be imposed as set forth herein. Neither a youth nor his/her parents or guardians will be required to pay for the support of the youth in the program, unless otherwise ordered.
5. Afford TYC access to TYC youth and all records and/or information on TYC youth at all times.
6. Forward copies of any audits, monitoring, or investigative reports completed on the Service Provider within five (5) work days of receipt.
7. Allow TYC/designee to perform monitoring, performance evaluations, investigations, or audits.
 - a. Provide access, inspection, and reproduction to all records related to services rendered under this contract which are necessary to facilitate monitoring, performance evaluations, investigations or audits.
 - b. Records include, but are not limited to, contracts, notes, real property documents, accounting/financial records, written policies and procedures, correspondence, performance evaluation data and reports, and any other information pertinent to revenues, costs, expenses, and performance of services provided under this contract belonging to either the Service Provider, its subsidiaries, parent and/or affiliate(s), including sub-consultants, subcontractors, employees, and any and all **related parties** to the contract. **Related Party** is defined below.
 - c. Upon request by TYC and during reasonable business hours, provide facilities to TYC/designee to perform any of the functions listed in this subsection, as well as adequate and appropriate work space and copier.
8. Maintain all financial records in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
9. Maintain and retain records for a minimum of four (4) years after the termination of the contract period, or for four (4) years after the end of the federal fiscal year in which services were provided, whichever is longer. If any litigation, claims, disputes, or audit involving these records begins before the four (4) years after the period expires, the Service Provider will keep the records and documents until all litigation, claims, disputes, or audit findings are resolved. Resolution is when a final order is issued in litigation, or a written agreement is entered into between TYC and the Service Provider. Contract period means the beginning date through the ending date specified in the original contract

or any amendments. Retention requirements for treatment and education records will be 18 years of age plus 10 years unless otherwise mandated by licensing requirements.

10. Disclose in writing to the Director of Contracts, Procurement and Support Services any transactions with **related parties** providing goods or services to Service Provider for which Service Provider is reimbursed under the terms of this contract.
 - a. A **related party** always includes a family member by blood or marriage, (i.e., spouse, parents, grandparents, child(ren), grandchild(ren), aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, first cousins). In addition a **related party** is defined as any person or entity involved with Service Provider in any manner that would result in the ability of either party to significantly influence the management or operation of the other. Examples of **related parties** include, but are not limited to, parent companies, subsidiaries, as well as principal investors, owners, or managers and their relatives as listed above.
 - b. Service Provider must report to TYC any transaction with a **related party** that could result in excessive profits from its relationship with the **related party**. If excessive profits are found to have occurred, administrative error sanctions may be imposed.
 - c. Any violation of this section can be considered a breach and could result in administrative error sanctions or termination.
11. Cooperate with or testify in judicial proceedings, legislative and administrative hearings or investigations, at the request of TYC.
12. Notify TYC if Service Provider is or becomes a covered entity under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). Service Provider is to secure any HIPAA consent or authorization necessary to provide to or obtain from TYC protected health information.
13. Providers shall abide by licensure code of ethics.

E. MEASURES OF PERFORMANCE AND QUALITY OF SERVICES

1. The Texas Youth Commission has adopted a system of evaluating program effectiveness and promoting continuous improvement by monitoring compliance with the contract agreement; identifying and monitoring targeted performance measures; evaluating the quality of service delivery; requiring corrective action for any identified area of deficiency; conducting a program risk assessment; setting and modifying goals to maximize performance and sustaining continuous improvement. The basis for program evaluation and monitoring includes the following:
 - Periodic announced and/or unannounced on-site program monitoring by TYC.
 - Compliance with the Contract for Specialized Treatment Services.
 - Progress toward treatment outcomes.
 - Respondent must agree to allow TYC to conduct monitoring and fully cooperate in all processes.
 - Respondent shall be responsible for monitoring the operations of the program and correcting deficiencies as they occur.
 - Respondent shall take appropriate action within the time period specified by TYC to correct findings and deficiencies identified during any and all monitoring visits.

TYC monitoring staff and Provider may discuss and mutually agree on additional performance measures and standards for each type of specialized treatment service.

2. The Provider recognizes that TYC is paying Provider to deliver the services specified herein. Provider will be required to meet a minimum **Acceptable Quality Level (AQL)**. The AQL is defined as the level of service at which the program will operate properly as agreed upon in the contract and below which the contract payment may be withheld until corrective actions are taken. In addition, if

service remains below the AQL without required correctives being taken, damages may be assessed. The respondent is required to ensure the AQL is maintained at all times during the performance to the contract.

3. In order to evaluate the quality of service delivery and progress toward treatment outcomes, Providers shall be subject to performance standards that will measure their progress in meeting the goals of the treatment services being provided. TYC may conduct an on-site review, desk review or both during the term of the contract. Prior to any review, a Monitoring Form will be provided by TYC, describing the areas to be monitored and reviewed. At a minimum, Providers will be reviewed annually in meeting the following goals:
4. **Performance Measures:**
 - a. Provide youth timely access to treatment by completing an initial assessment within 14 days of receiving a referral;
 - b. Have youth receiving treatment within 30 days of referral as evidenced by attendance logs for services provided;
 - c. Based on services provided, 40% of youth will complete treatment program;
 - d. Provide continuity of care and/or additional services based on new assessment of need related to the youth's *Positive Achievement Change Tool (PACT)* assessment;
 - e. Document progress of treatment as evidenced by completion of the monthly documentation requirements listed in this contract for services provided for no less than 90% of youth referred;
 - f. For those youth served, demonstrate an increase in protective factors and a reduction in risk factors in the type of treatment service provided; and,
5. **Outcome Measure:**
 - a. For youth completing the program 80% will have no re-arrest within 120 days of treatment completion.
 - b. Outcome will be measured by the number of participants who successfully complete the programs under contract.

F. PROVIDER RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. The Provider shall comply with all federal, state and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, and the orders and decrees of any court or administrative bodies or tribunals in any matter affecting the performance of the contract including, if applicable, workers' compensation laws, minimum and maximum salary and wage statutes and regulations, and licensing laws and regulations. When required, Provider shall furnish TYC with satisfactory proof of its compliance.
2. The Provider must comply with all TYC policies and procedures related to safety and security of youth. Service Provider must report all criminal charges or traffic violations. Service Provider must complete TYC HR-038 form and submit to the TYC Director of Contracts, Procurement and Support Services. The Director of Contracts, Procurement and Support Services may require additional information.
3. Provider must adhere to the individual licensee's code of conduct and code of ethics.
4. The Provider shall correct all service defects within a time period reasonable to the severity of the defect as per agreed upon service levels.

II. TYC

For and in consideration of the services provided to TYC youth, TYC will:

- A. Determine which youth are eligible for referral to Service Provider's program and make appropriate referrals.
- B. Approve Service Provider's service area, treatment program and plan prior to commencement of services.
- C. Pay for services rendered by Service Provider at the approved Medicaid rates in Attachment
- D. Ensure that terms of payment shall be in accordance with Chapter 2251, Texas Government Code and Texas Government Code 403.0551 that payment owing to the contractor under this contract will be applied toward elimination of the contractor's indebtedness to the state, delinquency in payment of taxes to the state, or delinquency in payment of taxes that the Comptroller administers or collects until the indebtedness or delinquency is paid in full
- E. Take appropriate action if notified of youth or family not being available for scheduled visit.
- F. Remove youth from Service Provider's program after two (2) missed appointments within one (1) month or a total of three (3) missed appointments or when Service Provider determines that the youth can no longer remain in the program due to treatment or behavioral issues.
- G. Remove youth from Service Provider's program when conditions exist that threaten the health, safety and welfare of TYC youth in the program.
- H. Provide at the time of referral, the Service Provider with the following:
 - 1. Most recent psychological evaluation,
 - 2. Youth's success plan information to include the youth's goals, plans to achieve goals and barriers to goal achievement,
 - 3. Release or Transition Individualized Case Plan (ICP), and
 - 4. Discharge Summary from specialized treatment program.
- I. Forward the Parole ICP to the Treatment Provider whenever the ICP is updated or revised.
- J. Ensure all counselors providing services to youth are approved by TYC prior to services being provided and based on criteria established by TYC.
- K. Maintain records of all approvals by TYC.

III. CERTIFICATIONS

Article 1: Equal Opportunity

Service Provider certifies compliance with all terms, provisions, and requirements of Titles VI and VII, Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and any other Federal, state, local or other anti-discriminatory act, law, statute or regulation, along with all amendments and revisions of the acts, laws, statutes or regulations, in the performance of this contract, and will not discriminate against any child or youth, client, employee, or applicant for employment because of race, creed or religion, age, sex, color, national or ethnic origin, handicap, or any other illegal discriminatory basis or criteria.

Article 2: Unfair Business Practices

Service Provider certifies that it or its officers have not been found guilty in a judicial or state administrative agency proceeding of unfair business practices as set out in the Texas Business and Commerce Code and that no officer of Service Provider has served as an officer of another company which has been found guilty in a judicial or state administrative agency proceeding of unfair business practices. If the above certifications are false, this contract is void.

Article 3: Franchise Taxes

Section 1: Service Provider certifies that should Service Provider be subject to payment of Texas franchise taxes, all franchise taxes are current. If such certification is false this contract may be terminated at the option of TYC or other administrative error sanctions may be taken.

Section 2: If Service Provider is exempt from payment of Texas franchise taxes, Service Provider shall so indicate by attachment to this contract.

Section 3: If Service Provider's payment of Texas franchise taxes becomes delinquent during the term of this contract, Service Provider will notify TYC within 24 hours. If such delinquency cannot be cured within 24 hours and a copy of the Certification of Account Status proving payment of delinquent taxes cannot be provided to TYC, this contract may be terminated at the option of TYC or other administrative error sanctions may be taken under the provisions of the contract.

Article 4: Asbestos Regulation Compliance

If applicable Service Provider certifies compliance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986 (AHERA) by having on file with the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) a copy of Service Provider's AHERA Management Plan for each facility the Service Provider owns, leases, or otherwise uses as a school or is part of a school, grades kindergarten through 12, inclusive where applicable. Prior to the initiation of services under this contract, Service Provider shall provide to TYC a certification of an asbestos-free environment or a copy of the DSHS acceptance and approval for the Service Provider's AHERA Asbestos Management Plan(s). Service Provider shall comply with the approved Management Plan during the term of this contract and any renewals; failure to do so shall be grounds for termination of the contract. Should DSHS approve a revised or modified Management Plan, a copy of the DSHS acceptance and approval of the revised or modified Management Plan shall be furnished to TYC.

Article 5: Human Immunodeficiency Virus Services Act Compliance

Section 1: Service Provider certifies compliance with the HIV Services Act, [Vernon's Texas Code Annotated (VTCA); Health and Safety Code, Section 85.001, et seq] requirements for maintenance of confidentiality regarding HIV and its related conditions, including Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

Section 2: Service Provider further certifies that workplace guidelines are developed and implemented. Service Provider may elect to use workplace guidelines developed and implemented by TYC. Should Service Provider not elect to use workplace guidelines developed and implemented by TYC, Service Provider agrees its workplace guidelines shall be similar to TYC's as required by §85.113, Texas Health & Safety Code.

Section 3: In the absence of confidentiality guidelines, Service Provider is not eligible to receive state funds, and Service Provider agrees to refund to the state any state funds Service Provider receives while ineligible.

Article 6: Communicable Disease Prevention & Control Act Compliance

Service Provider certifies compliance with the applicable provisions of the Communicable Disease Prevention and Control Act, [Vernon's Texas Code Annotated (VTCA); Health & Safety Code, Section 81.001 et seq].

Article 7: Federal Confidentiality Compliance

Any program that specializes, in whole or in part, in providing treatment, counseling, and/or assessment and referral services for youth with alcohol or other drug problems must comply with the Federal confidentiality regulations. Said regulations apply only to programs that are federally assisted either directly or indirectly. Service Provider certifies compliance with these Federal requirements for confidentiality [42 USC Section 290 dd-2; 42 CFR Part 2] and agrees to comply with said requirements for so long as this contract is in force.

Article 8: Restriction on Possession of Weapons

Service Provider agrees that Service Provider or any associates providing services on behalf of Service Provider shall not carry or possess any type of firearm or other weapon as defined by Texas Penal Code Section 46.02 while rendering services to TYC youth under this contract. This prohibition includes the carrying of a concealed handgun licensed under the authority of Chapter 411, Subchapter H, Texas Government Code. Service Provider shall be under an affirmative duty to keep weapons out of the possession of TYC youth in Service Provider's care.

Article 9: Required Disclosure of Lobbyist Activity

Service Provider agrees that if any person who is an employee of, director of, subconsultant, or subcontractor for Service Provider is required to register as a lobbyist under Chapter 305, Texas Government Code at any time during the term of this contract. Service Provider shall notify TYC Director of Contracts, Procurement and Support Services and provide timely copies of all reports filed with the Texas Ethics Commission as required by Chapter 305, Texas Government Code.

Article 10: Notification to TYC of Subconsultants & Subcontractors

Section 1: TYC shall be notified of the selection and/or use of all subcontractors, or subconsultants regularly used by the Service Provider in performing or assessing the performance of Service Provider's duties under this contract if paid or anticipated to be paid an amount exceeding \$5,000.00 during the term of this contract, and they are subject to the approval of TYC; said approval will not be unreasonably withheld.

Section 2: No contractual relationship will exist between Service Provider's subconsultants or subcontractors and TYC. TYC shall have no responsibility whatsoever for the conduct, actions, or commissions (active or passive) of any subconsultants or subcontractors in the performance of their duties under this contract.

Section 3: Service Provider shall be solely responsible for the management of any subconsultants or subcontractors in the performance of their duties under this contract.

Article 11: Compliance with Child Support, §231.006, Family Code

"Under §231.006, Family Code, the vendor or applicant certifies that the individual or business entity named in this contract or bid is not ineligible to receive the specified grant, loan, or payment and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if his certification is inaccurate."

SERVICE PROVIDER MUST PROVIDE, IN THE SPACE BELOW, THE NAME AND SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OF AN INDIVIDUAL OWNER, A SOLE PROPRIETOR AND ALL PARTNERS, SHAREHOLDERS, OR OWNERS WITH AN OWNERSHIP INTEREST OF AT LEAST TWENTY-FIVE (25) PERCENT OF THE BUSINESS ENTITY ENTERING INTO THIS CONTRACT.

For nonprofit corporations with no identifiable owner of twenty-five percent (25%) or more of the corporation, indicate with "none" on the first line below.

Ryan K. Watson, [REDACTED] 100%

Name, Social Security Number, Percent (%)

Article 12: Compliance with §572.054, Texas Government Code, Former Officer or Employee of TYC

Service Provider certifies compliance with §572.054, Texas Government Code. Service Provider has not employed a former officer or employee of TYC to perform services on Service Provider's behalf, to secure this contract or to represent Service Provider in any manner prohibited by the referenced statute. A false certification could result in termination of this contract.

Article 13: Compliance with §2252.901, Texas Government Code, Former or Retired Employee of the Agency

Service Provider certifies compliance with §2252.901, Texas Government Code, which provides "A state agency may not enter into an employment contract, a professional services contract under chapter 2254, or a consulting services contract under Chapter 2254 with a former or retired employee of the agency before the first anniversary of the last date on which the individual was employed by the agency, if appropriated money will be used to make payments under the contract. This section does not prohibit an agency from entering into a professional services contract with a corporation, firm, or other business entity that employs a former or retired employee of the agency within one year of the employee's leaving the agency, provided the former or retired employee does not perform services on projects for the corporation, firm or other business entity that the employee worked on while employed by the agency." Service provider certifies that he/she is not prohibited from entering into this contract because of any prior employment with TYC.

Article 14: Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List

Service Provider certifies that it is not on the list of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets Control.

Texas Youth Commission is federally mandated to adhere to the directions provided in the President's Executive Order (EO) 13224, Executive Order on Terrorist Financing – Blocking Property and Prohibiting Transactions With Persons Who Commit, Threaten to Commit, or Support Terrorism, effective 9/24/2001 and any subsequent changes made to it via cross-referencing service providers/vendors with the Federal General Services Administration's Excluded Parties List System (EPLS, <http://www.epls.gov>), which is inclusive of the United States Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) Specially Designated National (SDN) list.

Service Provider certifies that the responding entity and its principals are eligible to participate in this transaction and have not been subjected to suspension, debarment, or similar ineligibility determined by any federal, state or local governmental entity and that Service Provider is in compliance with the State of Texas statutes and rules relating to procurement and that Service Provider is not listed on the federal government's terrorism watch list as described in Executive Order 13224. Entities ineligible for federal procurement are listed at <http://www.epls.gov>

Article 15 Terrorism

The Texas Youth Commission is federally mandated to adhere to the directions provided in the President's Executive Order (EO) 13224, Executive Order on Terrorist Financing – Blocking Property and Prohibiting Transactions With Persons Who Commit, Threaten to Commit, or Support Terrorism, effective 9/24/2001 and any subsequent changes made to it via cross-referencing service providers/vendors with the Federal General Services Administration's Excluded Parties List System (EPLS, <http://www.epls.gov>), which is inclusive of the United States Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) Specially Designated National (SDN) list.

Article 16: Fingerprint and Background Check:

Service Provider will:

1. As directed, provide information regarding persons providing services under this Agreement and personnel access for a criminal background check including, but not limited to, fingerprinting check, criminal records check, sex offender registration records check, and drug test. Criminal background checks shall be conducted at TYC's expense and through TYC or TYC's contract providers for each of the Service Provider's employees, agents, consultants, subcontractors, subcontractor's employees, and volunteer workers. Any Service Provider employee, agent, consultant, subcontractor, subcontractor's employee, or volunteer worker who is unwilling to provide or who does not provide required information will not be allowed to work under this agreement. Any Service Provider employee, agent, consultant, subcontractor, subcontractor's employee, or volunteer worker shall not work under this agreement until the criminal background check is completed and approval is obtained from TYC's Director of Human Resources.
2. Notify TYC's Director of Human Resources of any employee, agent, consultant, subcontractor, subcontractor's employee, or volunteer worker who works with TYC youth and who is arrested, indicted, or charged with a criminal offense or who resigns while under investigation for inappropriate conduct or policy violations. Such employee, agent, consultant, subcontractor, subcontractor's employee, or volunteer worker shall be immediately suspended from working under this agreement unless authorized by TYC's Director of Human Resources.

TYC will approve any Service Provider employee, agent, consultant, subcontractor, subcontractor's employee, or volunteer worker in accordance with TYC policies and procedures. TYC's designated contact for criminal background checks is the Director of Human Resources (512) 459-2501.

Article 17: Convictions for Hurricane Katrina or Rita

Under Section 2155.006, Government Code, the vendor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this bid or contract is not ineligible to receive the specified contract and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

Under Section 2155.006(b) of the Texas Government Code, a state agency may not accept a bid or award a contract, including a contract for which purchasing authority is delegated to a state agency, that includes proposed financial participation by a person who, during the five-year period preceding the date of the bid or award, has been: (1) convicted of violating a federal law in connection with a contract awarded by the federal government for relief, recovery, or reconstruction efforts as a result of Hurricane Rita, as defined by Section 39.459, Utilities Code, Hurricane Katrina, or any other disaster occurring after September 24, 2005; or (2) assessed a penalty in a federal civil or administrative enforcement action in connection with a contract awarded by the federal government for relief, recovery, or reconstruction

efforts as a result of Hurricane Rita, as defined by Section 39.459, Utilities Code, Hurricane Katrina, or any other disaster occurring after September 24, 2005. Under Section 2155.006 of the Texas Government Code, the bidder certifies that the individual or business entity named in this bid is not ineligible to receive the specified contract and acknowledges that any contract resulting from this RFP may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

Article 18: Antitrust

Service Provider represents and warrants that neither Service Provider nor any firm, corporation, partnership, or institution represented by Service Provider, or anyone acting for such firm, corporation or institution has, (1) violated the antitrust laws of the State of Texas under Tex. Bus. & Com. Code, Chapter 15, or the federal antitrust laws; or (2) communicated directly or indirectly the contents of the Proposal to any competitor or any other person engaged in such line of business during the procurement process for this Contract.

Article 19: Intellectual Property Indemnification

To the extent of the Texas Constitution the Service Provider will indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State of Texas and Texas Youth Commission against any action or claim brought against the State of Texas and/or Texas Youth Commission that is based on a claim that software infringes any patent rights, copyright rights or incorporated misappropriated trade secrets. Service Provider will pay any damages attributable to such claim that are awarded against the State of Texas and/or Texas Youth Commission in a judgment or settlement.

If Texas Youth Commission's use of the software becomes subject to a claim, or is likely to become subject to a claim, in the sole opinion of Texas Youth Commission Service Provider shall, at its sole expense (1) procure for Texas Youth Commission the right to continue using such software under the terms of this Contract; or (2) replace or modify the software so that it is non-infringing.

Article 20: Contracting with Executive Head of State Agency

Under Government Code §669.003, relating to contracting with an executive of a state agency, Service Provider represents that no person who, in the past four years, served as an executive of the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Texas Youth Commission or any other state agency, was involved with or has any interest in this contract. If Service Provider employs or has used the services of a former executive head of Texas Youth Commission or other state agency, then Service Provider shall provide the following information: Name of former executive, name of state agency, date of separation from state agency, position with Service Provider, and date of employment with Service Provider.

Article 21: Abandonment or Default

If the Service Provider defaults on the contract, Texas Youth Commission reserves the right to cancel the contract without notice and either re-solicit or re-award the contract to the next best responsive and responsible service provider. The defaulting Service Provider will not be considered in the re-solicitation and may not be considered in future solicitations for the same type of work, unless the specification or scope of work significantly changed. The period of suspension will be determined by the agency based on the seriousness of the default.

In accordance with §2261.101, Government Code Remedies and Sanctions – agencies shall incorporate language which shall hold Service Provider accountable for breach of contract or substandard performance without unfairly limiting competition.

Article 22: Certain Bids and Contracts Prohibited

Under Government Code § 2155.004, no person who prepared the specifications or this contract has any financial interest in Service Provider's Proposal. If Service Provider is not eligible, then the contract shall be immediately terminated. Furthermore, "under Section 2155.004, Government Code, the vendor [Service Provider] certifies that the individual or business entity named in this bid or contract is not ineligible to receive the specified contract and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate."

Article 23: Gifts and Gratuity

By executing this agreement, the undersigned signatory certifies that he/she has not given, offered to give, nor intends to give at anytime hereafter, any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or service to a public servant in connection with the submitted response. Failure to sign the agreement or signing it with a false statement shall void the agreement.

Article 24: Debarment

Service Provider certifies that the responding entity and its principals are eligible to participate in this transaction and have not been subjected to suspension, debarment, or similar ineligibility determined by any federal, state or local governmental entity and that Service Provider is in compliance with the State of Texas statutes and rules relating to procurement and that Service Provider is not listed on the federal government's terrorism watch list as described in Executive Order 13224. Entities ineligible for federal procurement are listed at <http://www.epls.gov>.

Article 25: By signature hereon, the provider certifies that:

All statements and information prepared and submitted in the response to this contract are current, complete and accurate.

When a Texas business address shown hereon that address is, in fact, the legal business address of Service Provider and Service Provider qualifies as a Texas Resident Bidder under Title 34, Sec. 20.32(68).

IV. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1: Relationship of Parties

The Service Provider is acting as an independent contractor and is wholly responsible for the day-to-day operations of its programs and employees; no joint venture, partnership, or agency exists nor shall be implied by the terms of this contract. No employee of Service Provider shall become an employee of TYC by virtue of this contract.

Article 2: Indemnity

Service Provider agrees to be liable for, and hereby does indemnify and hold harmless TYC and its officers, directors, agents, employees and representatives from and against any and all liability for any and all claims, suits, demands, causes of action, and/or damages, (including costs of court and reasonable attorneys' fees) arising from or based upon misconduct, intentional or negligent acts or omissions on the part of Service Provider, its officers, directors, agents, representatives, employees, or visitors which may arise out of or could result from this contract.

Article 3: Liability Insurance

Section 1: Service Provider shall maintain liability insurance in the amount of \$300,000 for each occurrence of negligence. The insurance must cover injury to a youth that occurs when the youth is in Service Provider's care, custody or control.

Section 2: Service Provider shall provide proof of insurance documents to the TYC Director of Contracts, Procurement and Support Services, upon request.

Section 3: The required insurance coverage must be maintained during the term of this contract and any subsequent extensions in the above stated amount. Failure to maintain the required insurance coverage may result in termination of this contract or any other administrative error sanctions.

Article 4: Confidentiality and Security

Section 1: Service Provider agrees that all its employees will comply with state and federal law and with TYC policies regarding the confidentiality of student records and identifying information.

Section 2: Service Provider agrees that all information regarding TYC and/or its youth that is gathered, produced, or otherwise derived from this contract shall remain confidential subject to release only by permission of TYC.

Section 3: Service Provider's employees who visit any TYC facility will comply with that facility's security regulations.

Section 4: Identifying pictures, appearances, films, or reports of TYC youth may not be disclosed by Service Provider without the written consent of the youth and, if under age 18, of his or her parents, guardian, or managing conservator.

Article 5: Administrative Error Sanctions

Section 1: TYC, based on information from monitoring or other verifiable sources, may terminate this contract for the reasons set forth in the article dealing with termination below, or take other actions including, but not limited to:

- a. Require the Service Provider to take specific corrective actions in order to remain in compliance with the terms of this contract; and/or
- b. Recoup payment made to Service Provider; and/or
- c. Impose recommendations from audit or investigative findings, and minor or major sanctions; and/or
- d. Assess liquidated damages for each instance of non-compliance with the terms of this contract equal to \$150 multiplied by the average daily population of TYC youth placed with the Service Provider in the preceding month; and/or
- e. Suspend, place into abeyance, or remove any contractual rights including, but not limited to, withholding payment, moratorium on placements, population limitations and/or removal of all youth presently in the program.

Section 2: Service Provider shall cooperate fully with TYC and its authorized representative in carrying out corrective action plans.

Article 6: Termination

Section 1: Service Provider may terminate, for convenience, its obligations under this contract by giving thirty (30) days notice.

Section 2: TYC may terminate, for convenience, its obligations under this contract by giving thirty (30) days notice, or immediately in the event breach of contract by Service Provider.

Section 3: TYC shall terminate this contract in the event that TYC is not granted funding to pay for the herein described services or in the event that funding is lost due to either a reduction in the budget or a reallocation of budgeted funds.

Article 7: Funding Out Clause

This contract is contingent upon the continued availability of funding. If funds become unavailable through lack of appropriations, legislative budget cuts, amendment of the Appropriations Act, state agency consolidations, or any other disruption of current appropriations, provisions of this Termination Article shall apply. This contract is subject to cancellation, without penalty, either in whole or in part, if funds are not appropriated by the Texas Legislature.

Article 8: Waiver

No waiver by either party of any breach or default of the other under this contract shall operate as a waiver of any future or other breach or default, whether of a like or different character or nature.

Article 9: Severability

If any part of this contract is contrary to any federal, state, or local law, it is not applicable and such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications of this agreement which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application and to that end the provisions of this contract are declared to be severable.

Article 10: Contract Term

The entire term of this agreement shall be for a period beginning on **upon final signature through August 31, 2013**. The contract may be renewed for two (2) additional terms of two (2) years each, provided that both parties agree in writing to do so prior to the expiration date. Any renewals shall be at the same terms and conditions, plus any approved changes. The rates and services may be renegotiated based on performance and required service delivery.

Article 11: Contract Amendment

No other agreements, oral or written, shall constitute a part of this contract unless such is made in writing, executed by the parties hereto or their successors, and expressly made a part thereof. TYC reserves the right to make unilateral minor administrative changes to correct typographical errors or increase the "not to exceed" amount if necessary for continuation of services.

Article 12: Notice of Changes

Section 1: Service Provider shall notify TYC immediately in writing in advance of any significant change affecting the Service Provider, including but not limited to change of Service Provider's name or identity, location of services, ownership or control, operating entity, governing board membership, key personnel, payee identification number, and other significant changes that may affect the delivery of services under the terms of this contract.

Section 2: Service Provider shall refrain from transferring or assigning this contract or from entering into any subcontract for the services under this contract without prior written approval from TYC.

Section 3: Service Provider shall not relocate the services provided under this contract from the location stated in the preamble without prior written approval from TYC and a certification that the location to which services are to be relocated is in compliance with Chapter 224, Local Government Code.

Article 13: Notice

Required notices will be provided to the Director of Contracts, Procurement and Support Services at the TYC Central Office at 4900 North Lamar, Post Office Box 4260, Austin, Texas 78765; to the TYC District Office/HWH/Institution at **Fort Worth District Office, 2462 E. Long Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76106** and to the Service Provider at **7460 Golden Pond Road Place #100, Amarillo, TX 79121**.

Article 14: Venue

In any legal action arising under this contract, the laws of the State of Texas shall apply and venue will be in Travis County, Texas.

Article 15: Problem Solving in the Ordinary Course of Business

Section 1: The parties to this contract shall use the procedures contained in this article for routine problem solving. These procedures may also be used if a party is asserting a claim for breach of contract. Should these procedures not resolve claims for breach of contract, the procedures contained in Article 16 shall be followed thereafter.

Section 2: Informal Resolution: Contract Service Providers and TYC staff will communicate regularly and engage in informal problem solving efforts as a routine measure, thus preventing differences from becoming major problems. When routine measures have been exhausted, TYC staff are encouraged to utilize the following mechanism to resolve problems.

Section 3: Formal Resolution:

- a. Contract Service Providers or TYC staff who wish to submit problems for resolution may do so in writing, including all relevant information and a recommended resolution.
- b. The statement of problem will be submitted to the designated contact unless the problem specifically involves the designated contact, in which case, it will be submitted to the designated contact's supervisor.
- c. Problems are resolved within ten working days; written responses will be sent to the individual or program that submitted it, designated contact and designated contact's supervisor.

Section 4: Appeal: Service Provider desiring to appeal the decision may do so within ten days by writing all pertinent information relevant to the appeal to the designated contact's supervisor if the problem was resolved by the designated contact; or Director of Contracts, Procurement and Support Services if the problem was resolved by the designated contact's supervisor. When appealed, the problem shall be resolved within 14 working days; responses will be sent to the individual or program who submitted it; designated contact; designated contact's supervisor; and Director of Contracts, Procurement and Support Services.

Article 16: Claims for Breach of Contract

Section 1: The dispute resolution process provided for in Chapter 2260 of the Texas Government Code must be used, as further described herein, by the Texas Youth Commission and Service Provider to attempt to resolve any claim for breach of contract made by the Service Provider.

- a. Service Provider's claim for breach of this contract that the parties cannot resolve in the ordinary course of business shall be submitted to the negotiation process provided in Chapter 2260, Subchapter B, of the Government Code. To initiate the process, the Service Provider shall submit written notice, as required by Subchapter B, to the Executive Director. Said notice shall specifically state that the provisions of Chapter 2260, Subchapter B, are being invoked. A copy of the notice shall also be given to all other representatives of the Texas Youth Commission and the Service Provider otherwise entitled to notice under the parties' contract. Compliance by the Service Provider with

Subchapter B is a condition precedent to the filing of a contested case proceeding under Chapter 2260, Subchapter C, of the Government Code.

- b. The contested case process provided in Chapter 2260, Subchapter C, of the Government Code is the Service Provider's sole and exclusive process for seeking a remedy for any and all alleged breaches of contract by the Texas Youth Commission if the parties are unable to resolve their disputes under subparagraph A. of this paragraph.
- c. Compliance with the contested case process provided in subchapter C is a condition precedent to seeking consent to sue from the Legislature under Chapter 107 of the Civil Practices and Remedies Code. Neither the execution of this contract by the Texas Youth Commission nor any other conduct of any representative of the Texas Youth Commission relating to the contract shall be considered a waiver of sovereign immunity to suit.

Section 2: The submission, processing and resolution of the Service Provider's claim is governed by the published rules adopted by the Texas Youth Commission pursuant to Chapter 2260, as currently effective, hereafter enacted or subsequently amended.

Section 3: Neither the occurrence of an event nor the pendency of a claim constitute grounds for the suspension of performance by the Service Provider, in whole or in part.

Article 17: No Third Party Beneficiaries

The terms of the Agreement are for the sole benefit of the parties to the Agreement and will not be construed to confer any rights on any other person.

18: Audit Clause

Service Provider understands that acceptance of funds under this contract acts as acceptance of the authority of the State Auditor's Office, TYC or any successor agency, to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. Service Provider further agrees to cooperate fully with the above parties in the conduct of the audit or investigation, including providing all records requested.

Service Provider shall ensure that this clause concerning the authority to audit funds received indirectly by subcontractors through the Service Provider and the requirement to cooperate is included in any subcontract it awards.

Service Provider shall maintain and retain supporting fiscal documents adequate to ensure that claims for contract funds are in accordance with TYC and State of Texas requirements. Service Provider shall maintain all such documents and other records relating to this Agreement and the State's property for a period of four (4) years after the date of submission of the final invoices or until a resolution of all billing questions, whichever is later. Service Provider shall make available at reasonable times and upon reasonable notice, and for reasonable periods, all information related to the State's property, such as work papers, reports, books, data, files, software, records, and other supporting documents pertaining to this Agreement, for purposes of inspecting, monitoring, auditing, or evaluating by TYC, the State of Texas or their authorized representatives. Service Provider shall cooperate with auditors and other authorized TYC and State of Texas representatives and shall provide them with prompt access to all of such State's property as requested by TYC or the State of Texas. By example and not as an exclusion to other breaches or failures, Service Provider's failure to comply with this Section shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and shall authorize TYC to immediately assess the liquidated damages for such failure. For purposes of this Section, the "State's property" includes, but is not limited to, "Work" as defined in the contract. TYC may require, at Service Provider's sole cost and expense, independent audits by a qualified certified public accounting firm of Service Provider's books and records or the State's property. The independent auditor shall provide TYC with a copy of such audit at the same time it is provided to Service Provider. TYC retains the right to issue a request for proposals for the services of an independent certified public accounting firm under this Agreement. In addition to and without limitation on the other audit provisions of this Agreement, pursuant to Section 2262.003, Tex

Government Code, the State Auditor may conduct an audit or investigation of the Service Provider or any other entity or person receiving funds from the state directly under this Agreement or indirectly through a subcontract under this Agreement. The acceptance of funds by the Service Provider or any other entity or person directly under this Agreement or indirectly through a subcontract under this Agreement acts as acceptance of the authority of the State Auditor, under the direction of the legislative audit committee, to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. This Agreement may be amended unilaterally by TYC to comply with any rules and procedures of the State Auditor in the implementation and enforcement of Section 2262.003. Under procedures provided by the State Auditor on September 5, 2003, in addition to the above, (1) the Service Provider understands that the acceptance of funds under this Agreement acts as acceptance of the authority of the State Auditor to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds; (2) the Service Provider further agrees to cooperate fully with the State Auditor in the conduct of the audit or investigation, including providing all records requested; and (3) the Service Provider shall ensure that this paragraph concerning the authority to audit funds received indirectly by subcontractors through the Service Provider and the requirement to cooperate is included in any subcontract it awards.

Article 19: Default

If the Service Provider defaults on the contract, TYC reserves the right to cancel the contract without notice and either re-solicit or re-award the contract to the next best responsive and responsible service provider. The defaulting Service Provider will not be considered in the re-solicitation and may not be considered in future solicitations for the same type of work, unless the specification or scope of work significantly changed. The period of suspension will be determined by the agency based on the seriousness of the default.

Article 20: Debt Owed to State of Texas

Service Provider agrees that any payments due under this contract will be applied towards any debt, including but not limited to delinquent taxes and child support that is owed to the State of Texas.

Article 21: Buy Texas

Service Provider represents and warrants that it will buy Texas products and materials for use in providing the services authorized herein when such products and materials are available at a comparable price and in a comparable period of time when compared to non-Texas products and materials.

Article 22: Specifications

The services performed shall be in accordance with the purchase specifications herein. TYC will determine the answers to all questions that may arise as to the interpretation of the specifications and the quality or acceptability of work performed. TYC will decide the rate of progress of the work and the acceptable fulfillment of the service on the part of the Service Provider.

Article 23: Assignment

Without the prior written consent of TYC, the Service Provider may not assign this Contract, in whole or in part, and may not assign any right or duty required under it.

Article 24: Compliance with Other Laws

In the execution of this Contract, Service Provider shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, including laws governing labor, equal employment opportunity, safety and environmental

protection. Service Provider shall make itself familiar with and at all times shall observe and comply with all federal, state and local laws, ordinances and regulations which in any manner affect performance under this Contract.

Article 25: Execution Authority

Service Provider represents and warrants that the individual signing this Contract is authorized to sign this document on behalf of the service provider and to bind the service provider under this contract.

For the Texas Youth Commission:

 6.24.11
Robin McKeever, Deputy Executive Director Date

For the Service Provider:

 Ryan Watson M.Ed. CA 6/9/11
Signature Printed Name Date

Approved as to form:

 6/9/11
TYC Attorney Date

EXHIBIT A SPECIALIZED TREATMENT SERVICES FEE SCHEDULE

The following rates apply to services described in Section I of the Contract.

Reimbursement will be for actual services provided to participants in accordance with attached Medicaid Fee schedule. Payments to Provider will vary depending on referrals of participants.

THERE IS NO GUARANTEE NUMBER OF REFERRALS.

Payment is based on “unit of service”. A “unit of service” is one (1) hour for individual and family; one and one half (1 ½) hours for group.

PRIMARY LICENSURE: Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, Licensed Professional Counselor, Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor, Licensed Sex Offender Treatment Provider				
Category	Service & Service Code	Location & Unit Rate		
		In Office	Home Based	Out of Office
Psychological Assessment	Psychological Assessment (86W)	\$56.55	\$79.07	\$79.07
	Substance Abuse Assessment (83F)			
Individual	Individual Counseling (86C)	\$56.55	\$79.07	\$79.07
	Substance Abuse Treatment (83G)			
	Parent/Care giver Training (87C)			
	Sexual Behavior Treatment			
Group	Group Counseling (86E)	\$16.04	N/A	\$22.43
	Substance Abuse Treatment (83H)			
	Parent/Care giver Training (87C)			
	Sexual Behavior Treatment			
Family	Family Counseling (86F)	\$60.14	\$84.09	\$84.09
	Substance Abuse Treatment (83J)			
	Parent/Care giver Training (87C)			
	Sexual Behavior Treatment			
Diagnostic Consultation (81H)		\$56.55		
Court Testimony/Deposition (86H)		\$56.55		

Exhibit B Service Area and Locations

Service provider will provide services at:

TYC Institution TYC Halfway House TYC Parole Office My Office In Youth's home

Service provider will provide services in the following counties, defined as "Service Area".

Potter

Carson

Hale

Randall

Gray

Dallam

Wheeler

Sherman

Deaf Smith

Hanford

Armstrong

Hartley

Donley

Moore

Collingsworth

Hutchinson

Parmer

Roberts

Swisher

Hemphill

Hall

Oldham

Childress