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## **Request for Taxpayer**

**Identification Number and Certification** 

Name (List legal name, if joint names, list first & circle the name of the person whose TIN you enter in Part I-See Specific Instruction on page 2)

Business name, if different from above. (See	Specific Instruction on page 2)		
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Phone # ( )	Fax # ( )	Email address:	
Part I Taxpayer Identific	cation Number (TIN)		
Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. For number (SSN). However, for a resident entity, see the Part I instruction on page 2. For other entities, it is your emplo	alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded over identification number (EIN). If you do	Social sec	curity number
not have a number, see <b>How to get a TIN</b> <b>Note:</b> <i>If the account is in more than one</i> <i>guidelines on whose number to enter.</i>	on page 2. name, see the chart on page 2 for		OR
Vendors:			Employer identification number
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<ul> <li>am no longer subject to backup with</li> <li>3. I am an U.S. person (including an U</li> <li>4. I am currently a Commonwealth of M Commission <u>requirements.</u></li> <li>Certification instructions: You must c</li> </ul>	holding, <b>and</b> .S. resident alien). Massachusetts's state employee: (check one) rross out item <b>2</b> above if you have been notif	: No Yes ied by the IRS th	t or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I If yes, <u>in compliance with</u> the State Ethics nat you are currently subject to backup withholding
Authorized Signature ►	erest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. Date		
<b>Irpose of Form</b> erson who is required to file an information return with IRS must get your correct taxpayer identification nber (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, uisition or debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.	hat may be subject to backup withholding include interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, revealing a parameter from		<ul> <li>5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).</li> <li>Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See the Part II</li> </ul>
<b>Ise Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person</b> (including esident alien), to give your correct TIN to the person uesting it (the requester) and , when applicable, to: Certify the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued). Certify you are not subject to backup withholding	<ul> <li>If you give the requester your correct TIN, proper certifications, and report all your taxa dividends on your tax return, payments you r be subject to backup withholding. Payments will be subject to backup withholding if:</li> <li>You do not furnish your TIN to the requester, or</li> <li>You do not certify your TIN when requir Part II instructions on page 2 for details),</li> </ul>	ble interest and eceive will not s you receive ed (see the	instructions on page 2. <b>Penalties</b> <b>Failure to furnish TIN</b> . If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.
<b>You are a foreign person, use the appropriate Form</b> 8. See <b>Pub 515</b> , Withholding of Tax on Nonresident	<ol> <li>Part II instructions on page 2 for details),</li> <li>The IRS tells the requester that you furnisin incorrect TIN, or</li> </ol>		<b>Civil penalty for false information with respect to</b> <b>withholding</b> . If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends only), or

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Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment. Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of Federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

## **Specific Instructions**

Name. If you are an individual, you must generally enter the name shown on your social security card. However, if you have changed your last name, for instance, due to marriage without informing the Social Security Administration of the name change, enter your first name, the last name shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

If the account is in joint names, list first and then circle the name of the person or entity whose number you enter in Part I of the form.

Sole proprietor. Enter your individual name as shown on your social security card on the "Name" line. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as (DBA)" name on the "Business name' line

Limited liability company (LLC). If you are a single-member LLC (including a foreign LLC with a domestic owner) that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner under Treasury regulations section 301.7701-3, enter the owner's name on the "Name" line. Enter the LLC's name on the "Business name" line.

Caution: A disregarded domestic entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Other entities. Enter your business name as shown on required Federal tax documents on the "Name" line. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on the "Business name" line.

Part I

#### - Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

#### Enter your TIN in the appropriate box.

If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see How to get a TIN below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are an LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see Limited liability company (LLC) above), and are owned by an individual, enter your SSN (or "pre-LLC" EIN, if desired). If the owner of a disregarded LLC is a corporation, partnership, etc., enter the owner's EIN.

Note: See the chart on this page for further clarification of name and TIN combinations. How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local Social Security Administration office. Get Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676) or from the IRS's Internet Web Site www.irs.gov.

If you do not have a TIN, write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments.

The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note: Writing "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

#### Part II - Certification

To establish to the paying agent that your TIN is correct or you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9

For a joint account, only the person whole TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required).

Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification

#### **Privacy Act Notice**

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to give your correct TIN to persons who must file information returns with the IRS to

report interest, dividends, and certain other income paid to you, mortgage interest you paid, the acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA or MSA. The IRS uses the numbers for identification purposes and to help verify the accuracy of your tax return. The IRS may also provide this information to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation, and to cities, states, and the District of Columbia to carry out their tax laws

You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Payers must generally withhold a designated percentage, currently 30.5% of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to a payer. Certain penalties may also apply.

### What Name and Number to Give t

	this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
2.	1. Individual Two or more individuals (joint	The individual The actual owner of the account or, if
	account)	combined funds, the first individual on the account <sup>1</sup>
3.	Custodian	The minor <sup>2</sup>
4.	account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act) a. The usual	The grantor-trustee <sup>1</sup>
	revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee) b. So-called trust	The actual owner <sup>1</sup>
	account that is not a legal or valid trust under	
5.	state law Sole	The owner <sup>3</sup>
5.	proprietorship	Give name and EIN of:
For	this type of account:	The owner 3 Legal entity 4
	<ol> <li>Sole proprietorship</li> <li>A valid trust,</li> </ol>	The corporation The organization
	estate, or pension trust 8. Corporate 9. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or	The partnership The broker or nominee
	other tax- exempt organization 10. Partnership	The public entity
	11. A broker or registered nominee	
	12. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of	
	a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district,	Unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.)
	or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	<b>NOTE:</b> If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.
nar	ist first and circle the ne of the person ose number you finish.	If you have any questions on completing this form

whose number you finish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

2 Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

3 You must show your individual name, but you may also enter your business or "DBA" name. completing this form please contact the Office of the State Comptroller. (617) 973-2311 or 973-2655

Upon completion of this form, please send it to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department you are doing business with.

## **II. COMMONWEALTH TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

This Commonwealth Terms and Conditions form is jointly issued by the



Executive Office for Administration and Finance (ANF), the Office of the Comptroller (CTR) and the Operational Services Division (OSD) for use by all Commonwealth of Massachusetts ("State") Departments and Contractors. Any changes or electronic alterations by either the Department or the Contractor to the official version of this form, as jointly published by ANF, CTR and OSD, shall be void. Upon execution of these Commonwealth Terms

and Conditions by the Contractor and filing as prescribed by the Office of the Comptroller, these Commonwealth Terms and Conditions will be incorporated by reference into any Contract for Commodities and Services executed by the Contractor and any State Department, in the absence of a superseding law or regulation requiring a different Contract form. Performance shall include services rendered, obligations due, costs incurred, commodities and deliverables provided and accepted by the Department, programs provided or other commitments authorized under a Contract. A deliverable shall include any tangible product to be delivered as an element of performance under a Contract. The Commonwealth is entitled to ownership and possession of all deliverables purchased or developed with State funds. Contract shall mean the Standard Contract Form issued jointly by ANF, CTR and OSD.

1. <u>Contract Effective Start Date.</u> Notwithstanding verbal or other representations by the parties, or an earlier start date indicated in a Contract, the effective start date of performance under a Contract shall be the date a Contract has been executed by an authorized signatory of the Contractor, the Department, a later date specified in the Contract or the date of any approvals required by law or regulation, whichever is later.

2. <u>Payments And Compensation</u>. The Contractor shall only be compensated for performance delivered and accepted by the Department in accordance with the specific terms and conditions of a Contract. All Contract payments are subject to appropriation pursuant to M.G.L. C. 29, §26, or the availability of sufficient non-appropriated funds for the purposes of a Contract, and shall be subject to intercept pursuant to M.G.L. C. 7A, §3 and 815 CMR 9.00. Overpayments shall be reimbursed by the Contractor or may be offset by the Department from future payments in accordance with state finance law. Acceptance by the Contractor of any payment or partial payment, without any written objection by the Contractor, shall in each instance operate as a release and discharge of the State from all claims, liabilities or other obligations relating to the performance of a Contract.

3. Contractor Payment Mechanism. All Contractors will be paid using the Payment Voucher System unless a different payment mechanism is required. The Contractor shall timely submit invoices (Payment Vouchers - Form PV) and supporting documentation as prescribed in a Contract. The Department shall review and return rejected invoices within fifteen (15) days of receipt with a written explanation for rejection. Payments shall be made in accordance with the bill paying polciy issued by the Office of the Comptroller and 815 CMR 4.00, provided that payment periods listed in a Contract of less than forty-five (45) days from the date of receipt of an invoice shall be effective only to enable a Department to take advantage of early payment incentives and shall not subject any payment made within the forty-five (45) day period to a penalty. The Contractor Payroll System, shall be used only for "Individual Contractors" who have been determined to be "Contract Employees" as a result of the Department's completion of an Internal Revenue Service SS-8 form in accordance with the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (OBRA) 1990, and shall automatically process all state and federal mandated payroll, tax and retirement deductions.

4. Contract Termination Or Suspension. A Contract shall terminate on the date specified in a Contract, unless this date is properly amended in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations prior to this date, or unless terminated or suspended under this Section upon prior written notice to the Contractor. The Department may terminate a Contract without cause and without penalty, or may terminate or suspend a Contract if the Contractor breaches any material term or condition or fails to perform or fulfill any material obligation required by a Contract, or in the event of an elimination of an appropriation or availability of sufficient funds for the purposes of a Contract, or in the event of an unforeseen public emergency mandating immediate Department action. Upon immediate notification to the other party, neither the Department nor the Contractor shall be deemed to be in breach for failure or delay in performance due to Acts of God or other causes factually beyond their control and without their fault or negligence. Subcontractor failure to perform or price increases due to market fluctuations or product availability will not be deemed factually beyond the Contractor's control.

5. <u>Written Notice</u>. Any notice shall be deemed delivered and received when submitted in writing in person or when delivered by any other appropriate method evidencing actual receipt by the Department or the Contractor. Any written notice of termination or suspension delivered to the Contractor shall state the effective date and period of the notice, the reasons for the termination or suspension, if applicable, any alleged breach or failure to perform, a reasonable period to cure any alleged breach or failure to perform, if applicable, and any instructions or restrictions concerning allowable activities, costs or expenditures by the Contractor during the notice period.

**6.** <u>Confidentiality</u>. The Contractor shall comply with M.G.L. C. 66A if the Contractor becomes a "holder" of "personal data". The Contractor shall also protect the physical security and restrict any access to personal or other Department data in the Contractor's possession, or used by the Contractor in the performance of a Contract, which shall include, but is not limited to the Department's public records, documents, files, software, equipment or systems.

7. <u>Record-keeping And Retention, Inspection Of Records.</u> The Contractor shall maintain records, books, files and other data as specified in a Contract and in such detail as shall properly substantiate claims for payment under a Contract, for a minimum retention period of seven (7) years beginning on the first day after the final payment under a Contract, or such longer period as is necessary for the resolution of any litigation, claim, negotiation, audit or other inquiry involving a Contract. The Department shall have access, as well as any parties identified under Executive Order 195, during the Contractor's regular business hours and upon reasonable prior notice, to such records, including on site reviews and reproduction of such records at a reasonable expense.

8. <u>Assignment.</u> The Contractor may not assign or delegate, in whole or in part, or otherwise transfer any liability, responsibility, obligation, duty or interest under a Contract, with the exception that the Contractor shall be authorized to assign present and prospective claims for money due to the Contractor pursuant to a Contract in accordance with M.G.L. C. 106, §9-318. The Contractor must provide sufficient notice of assignment and supporting documentation to enable the Department to verify and implement the assignment. Payments to third party assignees will be processed as if such payments were being made directly to the Contractor and these payments will be subject to intercept, offset, counter claims or any other Department rights which are available to the Department or the State against the Contractor.

**9.** <u>Subcontracting By Contractor.</u> Any subcontract entered into by the Contractor for the purposes of fulfilling the obligations under a Contract must be in writing, authorized in advance by the Department and shall be consistent with and subject to the provisions of these Commonwealth Terms and Conditions and a Contract. Subcontracts will not relieve or discharge the Contractor from any duty, obligation, responsibility or liability arising under a Contract. The Department is entitled to copies of all subcontracts and shall not be bound by any provisions contained in a subcontract to which it is not a party.

**10.** *Affirmative Action, Non-Discrimination In Hiring And Employment.* The Contractor shall comply with all federal and state laws, rules and regulations promoting fair employment policys or prohibiting employment discrimination and unfair labor policys and shall not discriminate in the hiring of any applicant for employment nor shall any qualified employee be demoted, discharged or otherwise subject to discrimination in the tenure, position, promotional opportunities, wages, benefits or terms and conditions of their employment because of race, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, religion, disability, handicap, sexual orientation of for exercising any rights afforded by law. The Contractor commits to purchasing supplies and services from certified minority or women-owned businesses, small businesses or businesses owned by socially or economically disadvantaged persons or persons with disabilities.

11. <u>Indemnification</u>. Unless otherwise exempted by law, the Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the State, including the Department, its agents, officers and employees against any and all claims, liabilities and costs for any personal injury or property damages, patent or copyright infringement or other damages that the State may sustain which arise out of or in connection with the Contractor's performance of a Contract, including but not limited to the negligence, reckless or intentional conduct of the Contractor, its agents, officers, employees or subcontractors. The Contractor shall at no time be considered an agent or representative of the Department or the State. After prompt notification of a claim by the State, the Contractor shall have an opportunity to participate in the defense of such claim and any negotiated settlement agreement or judgment. The State shall not be liable for any costs

incurred by the Contractor arising under this paragraph. Any indemnification of the Contractor shall be subject to appropriation and applicable law.

12. <u>Waivers</u>. Forbearance or indulgence in any form or manner by a party shall not be construed as a waiver, nor in any way limit the legal or equitable

remedies available to that party. No waiver by either party of any default or breach shall constitute a waiver of any subsequent default or breach.

13. <u>Risk Of Loss.</u> The Contractor shall bear the risk of loss for any Contractor materials used for a Contract and for all deliverables, Department personal or other data which is in the possession of the Contractor or used by the Contractor in the performance of a Contract until possession, ownership and full legal title to the deliverables are transferred to and accepted by the Department.

14. *Forum, Choice of Law And Mediation.* Any actions arising out of a Contract shall be governed by the laws of Massachusetts, and shall be brought and maintained in a State or federal court in Massachusetts which shall have exclusive jurisdiction thereof. The Department, with the approval of the Attorney General's Office, and the Contractor may agree to voluntary mediation through the Massachusetts Office of Dispute Resolution (MODR) of any Contract dispute and will share the costs of such mediation. No legal or equitable rights of the parties shall be limited by this Section.

**15.** Contract Boilerplate Interpretation, Severability, Conflicts With Law, Integration. Any amendment or attachment to any Contract which contains conflicting language or has the affect of a deleting, replacing or modifying any printed language of these Commonwealth Terms and Conditions, as officially published by ANF, CTR and OSD, shall be interpreted as superseded by the official printed language. If any provision of a Contract is found to be superseded by state or federal law or regulation, in whole or in part, then both parties shall be relieved of all obligations under that provision only to the extent necessary to comply with the superseding law, provided however, that the remaining provisions of the Contract, or portions thereof, shall be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law. All amendments must be executed by the parties in accordance with Section 1. of these Commonwealth Terms and Conditions and filed with the original record copy of a Contract as prescribed by CTR. The printed language of the Standard Contract Form, as officially published by ANF, CTR and OSD, which incorporates by reference these Commonwealth Terms and Conditions, shall supersede any conflicting verbal or written agreements relating to the performance of a Contract, or attached thereto, including contract forms, purchase orders or invoices of the Contractor. The order of priority of documents to interpret a Contract shall be as follows: the printed language of the Commonwealth Terms and Conditions, the Standard Contract Form, the Department's Request for Response (RFR) solicitation document and the Contractor's Response to the RFR solicitation, excluding any language stricken by a Department as unacceptable and including any negotiated terms and conditions allowable pursuant to law or regulation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The Contractor certify under the pains and penalties of perjury that it shall comply with these Commonwealth Terms and Conditions for any applicable Contract executed with the Commonwealth as certified by their authorized signatory below:

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#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING THE COMMONWEALTH TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A "Request for Verification of Taxation Reporting Information" form (Massachusetts Substitute W-9 Format), that contains the Contractor's correct TIN, name and legal address information, must be on file with the Office of the Comptroller. If the Contractor has not previously filed this form with the Comptroller, or if the information contained on a previously filed form has changed, please fill out a W-9 form and return it attached to the executed COMMONWEALTH TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

If the Contractor is responding to a Request for Response (RFR), the COMMONWEALTH TERMS AND CONDITIONS must be submitted with the Response to RFR or as specified in the RFR. Otherwise, Departments or Contractors must timely submit the completed and properly executed COMMONWEALTH TERMS AND CONDITIONS (and the W-9 form if applicable) to the: *Payee and Payments Unit, Office of the Comptroller, 9th Floor, One Ashburton Place, Boston, MA 02108* in order to record the filing of this form on the MMARS Vendor File. Contractors are required to execute and file this form only once.



## <u>III. COMMONWEALTH TERMS & CONDITIONS FOR HUMAN &</u> <u>SOCIAL SERVICES</u>

This Commonwealth Terms and Conditions for Human and Social Services form is jointly issued by

the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (ANF), the Office of the Comptroller (CTR) and the Operational Services Division/Division of Purchased Services (OSD), for use by Commonwealth of Massachusetts ("State") Departments and Contractor organizations that contract to provide Human and Social Services to Commonwealth clients. Any changes or electronic alterations by either the Department or the Contractor to the official version of this form, as jointly published by ANF, CTR and OSD, shall be void. Upon execution of these Commonwealth Terms and Conditions for Human and Social Services by the Contractor and filing as prescribed by CTR, these Commonwealth Terms and Conditions for Human and Social Services will be incorporated by reference into any Contract for Human and Social Services executed by the Contractor and any Department, in the absence of a superseding law or regulation requiring a different Contract form. Its provisions are in addition to the requirements contained in 808 CMR 1.00 and any Human and Social Services Contract(s), as well as any applicable requirements contained in 808 CMR 2.00 or 801 CMR 21.00. This Commonwealth Terms and Conditions for Human and Social Services is effective upon signature by the Contractor or July 1, 1997, whichever is later, and supersedes the Master Agreement and General Conditions approved by ANF on May 1, 1995.

**1.** <u>Contract Effective Start Date.</u> Notwithstanding verbal or other representations by the parties, unless otherwise permitted in 801 CMR 21.00, the effective start date of a Contract shall be the later of: the date the Contract was executed by an authorized signatory of the Contractor; the date the Contract was executed by an authorized signatory of the Department; the date specified in the Contract; or, the date of Secretariat authorization pursuant to M.G.L. c. 29, §29B.

2. Payments And Compensation. The Contractor shall only be compensated for performance delivered and accepted by the Department in accordance with 801 CMR 21.00, 808 CMR 1.00 and the specific terms and conditions of a Contract. All Contract payments are subject to appropriation pursuant to M.G.L. c. 29, §26, or the availability of sufficient non-appropriated funds for the purposes of a Contract, and shall be subject to intercept pursuant to M.G.L. c. 7A, §3 and 815 CMR 9.00. In no event shall payments under any Contract exceed the rate or maximum obligation of the Contract or be directed to off-set costs which are not reimbursable under Commonwealth contracts under any provision of law, including M.G.L. c. 7, §56 and 808 CMR 1.00. Upon determination by the Department that the Contractor has not provided services to the extent billed, has billed for services to any client who the Contractor knew or should have known was ineligible for services according to the terms of the Contract, has received duplicate or otherwise excess payments, has used Contract payments for nonreimbursable expenses or otherwise failed to perform in accordance with the terms of the Contract or 808 CMR 1.04, the Department may, upon reasonable notice and opportunity for correction, delay, disallow, set-off or recoup payments.

**3.** <u>Contractor Payment Mechanism</u>. The Contractor will be paid using the Payment Voucher System unless a different payment mechanism is agreed upon in the Contract. The Contractor shall timely submit invoices (Payment Vouchers - Form PV) and supporting documentation as prescribed in a Contract. The Department shall review and return rejected invoices within fifteen (15) days of receipt with a written explanation for rejection. Payments shall be made in accordance with the bill paying policy issued by the Office of the Comptroller and 815 CMR 4.00, provided that payment periods listed in a Contract of less than forty-five (45) days from the date of receipt of an invoice shall be effective only to enable a Department to take advantage of early payment incentives and shall not subject any payment made within the forty-five (45) day period to a penalty.

#### 4. Contract Termination Or Suspension.

**a.** <u>**Procedures.**</u> A Contract shall terminate on the date specified in a Contract, unless this date is properly amended in accordance with all

applicable laws and regulations prior to this date, or unless terminated or suspended under this Section upon any of the events or conditions set forth below. During the notice period for termination, the parties may agree to adjust the termination conditions, including the effective date contained within the notice of termination. Grounds and procedures for termination are: i) Immediate Termination: Absence of Funding or Emergency. A Contract shall terminate immediately upon receipt of written notice of termination under the following conditions: the absence of appropriation, allotment, availability or authorization to the Department to discharge its obligations under the Contract in the fiscal year; a party's default, breach or any intervening casualty which poses an immediate threat to the life, health or safety of a client; the indictment of the Contractor or one of its principals or officers for an offense or offenses related to the provision of services; fraudulent activities on the part of the Contractor in its dealings with the Commonwealth; or the filing for bankruptcy by a Contractor. ii) Early Termination: Breach or Default, Reduction of Funding or Change in Law. A Contract may be terminated by providing notice of termination effective not less than forty-five (45) calendar days after date of notice under the following conditions: either party may terminate if the other party fails to fulfill its obligations under a Contract, including partial or complete nonperformance of any provision; there is a reduction of funds appropriated for Contracts; or if any statute or regulation which governs performance is changed, differently interpreted by a court or other competent authority, newly enacted, adopted or promulgated so as to increase the burdens on either party in complying with the terms of the Contract significantly beyond those existing at the time of execution. For termination for breach or default, the party must specify the alleged default or breach in writing, allowing a reasonable time, but not less than thirty (30) calendar days, for correction. For termination due to reduction in funding, the Department may alternatively provide a conditional notice of termination with a proposed amendment to a Contract. iii) Termination without Cause. Either party may terminate the Contract without cause upon provision of written notice to the other at least sixty (60) calendar days before its effective date. Whether or not cause to terminate exists under any other provision, a party may elect to terminate without cause.

b. Obligations Upon Termination. Upon termination, the Contractor shall have the following obligations: i) Transfer of Clients. The Contractor shall use its best efforts to provide for the health and safety of clients being served under the Contract for a reasonable period of time, while the Department arranges for their transfer, and shall cooperate fully with the Department's efforts to transfer clients. ii) Client Records. Client records maintained pursuant to the Contract shall remain the property of the Contractor, subject to the provisions of Sections 6, 7 and 11d. However, where the Department has continuing responsibility to provide for the clients funded by the Contract, the Contractor must, upon request, provide to the Department or the new Contractor a copy of the client records of services as authorized by the Department. The reasonable cost of such transfer will be borne by the Department. iii) Reports and Other Documents. All documents, data, studies, and reports related to performance of the Contract shall be submitted to the Department by the Contractor, unless the Department directs otherwise. iv) Furnishings and Equipment. The termination of the Contract does not affect the Contractor's responsibilities with respect to equipment and other property under 808 CMR 1.00. v) Payment. The Contractor shall be paid for all authorized services performed up to the date of termination, subject to the provisions of Section 2. In addition, if the Department is required to remove clients from a facility operated by the Contractor and fails to remove said clients, unless otherwise agreed by the parties and subject to the conditions set forth in Section 2, the Contractor will be paid at the rate contained in its terminated Contract for continuing to provide services after the date of termination and until such clients are removed. vi) Subsequent Audit. If a Contract is terminated without inspection, review or audit, the Commonwealth retains the right

to conduct an inspection, review, or audit and to disallow reimbursement or recover funds if any finding warrants such action.

5. <u>Written Notice</u>. Any notice shall be deemed delivered and received when submitted in writing, in person or when delivered by any other appropriate method evidencing actual receipt by the Department or the Contractor.

**6.** <u>Confidentiality</u>. The Contractor shall comply with M.G.L. c. 66A if the Contractor becomes a "holder" of "personal data". The Contractor shall also protect the physical security and restrict any access to personal or other Department data in the Contractor's possession, or used by the Contractor in the performance of a Contract, which shall include, but is not limited to the Department's public records, documents, files, software, equipment or systems.

7. <u>Record-keeping And Retention, Inspection Of Records.</u> The Contractor shall maintain records, books, files and other data as required by 808 CMR 1.00 and as specified in a Contract and in such detail as shall properly substantiate claims for payment under a Contract, for a minimum retention period of seven (7) years beginning on the first day after the final payment under a Contract, or such longer period as is necessary for the resolution of any litigation, claim, negotiation, audit or other inquiry involving a Contract. The

Contractor shall maintain adequate written policies and procedures for accounting, management and personnel activities, including but not limited to conflict of interest and nepotism policies. The Department shall have access, as well as any parties identified under Executive Order 195, during the Contractor's regular business hours and upon reasonable prior notice, to such records, including on-site reviews and reproduction of records at a reasonable expense.

8. <u>Assignment</u>. No liability, responsibility, obligation, duty or interest under a Contract may be assigned, delegated, assumed or transferred, in whole or in part, without the prior written approval of the Department. However, the Contractor or a court appointed receiver shall be authorized to assign present and prospective claims for money due to the Contractor pursuant to a Contract in accordance with M.G.L. c.106, §9-318. The Contractor or court appointed receiver must provide sufficient notice of assignment and supporting documentation to enable the Department to verify and implement the assignment. Payments to third party assignees will be processed as if such payments were being made directly to the Contractor and these payments will be subject to intercept, offset, counter claims or any other Department rights which are available to the Department or the State against the Contractor.

**9.** <u>Subcontracting By Contractor</u>. Any subcontract entered into by the Contractor for the purposes of fulfilling the obligations under a Contract must be in writing, authorized in advance by the Department and shall be consistent with and subject to the provisions of these Commonwealth Terms and Conditions for Human and Social Services and a Contract. When the Department furnishes federal funds to the Contractor, which are being passed down to a subcontractor, the subcontract must contain a provision that the subcontractor will comply with applicable federal single audit, cost principles and administrative requirement standards. Subcontracts will not relieve or discharge the Contractor from any duty, obligation, responsibility or liability arising under a Contract. The Department is entitled to copies of all subcontracts and shall not be bound by any provisions contained in a subcontract to which it is not a party.

10. Affirmative Action, Non-Discrimination In Hiring, Employment and Service Delivery. The Contractor shall comply with all federal and state laws, rules and regulations promoting fair employment policys or prohibiting employment discrimination and unfair labor policys. The Contractor shall not discriminate in the delivery of services against any person who otherwise meets the eligibility criteria for services, or in the hiring of any applicant for employment nor shall any qualified employee be demoted, discharged or otherwise subject to discrimination in the tenure, position, promotional opportunities, wages, benefits or terms and conditions of their employment because of race, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, religion, disability, status as a Vietnam Era Veteran, sexual orientation or for exercising any rights or benefits afforded by law. The Contractor commits to purchasing supplies and services from certified minority or women-owned businesses, small businesses or businesses owned by socially or economically disadvantaged persons or persons with disabilities and agrees to comply with any affirmative action programs required by Executive Order 227, or any successor provisions.

11. Human and Social Services Contracting Provisions

a. Board of Directors Standards. If a non-profit organization, the Contractor shall comply with the principles in the Massachusetts Attorney General's "Guide for Board Members of Charitable Organizations" and with the standards for boards contained in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)'s statements on auditing standards, as may be amended from time to time. Further, the Contractor specifically agrees that: i) members of the Contractor's management and immediate family (as defined in the AICPA's Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement number 57) will not comprise more than 30% of the voting members of the Contractor's board or any of the board's committees or subcommittees; and, ii) the Contractor's Board of Directors will approve the selection of the Contractor's audit firm, will annually review its executive director's or other more senior manager's performance and set that person's compensation by formal vote, and will meet as frequently as necessary to fulfill the Contractor's obligations under this section. Where the board meets less than two times during its fiscal year, the Contractor shall submit a description of its board structure and the dates of each board and subcommittee meeting with its Uniform Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report (UFR).

**b.** <u>Client Care and Use of Funds</u>. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of law relative to the care of clients and the investigation and reporting of suspected client abuse or neglect. The Contractor shall provide the Department with copies of all legally mandated reports of client abuse or neglect where the alleged abuse or neglect was a direct or indirect consequence of the services rendered under a Contract and shall comply with all additional reporting requirements relative to client abuse and neglect contained in a Contract. The Contractor shall be subject to any standards cited in a Contract for the disqualification of candidates for positions where the candidates have criminal records, for establishing proof of criminal activities subsequent to hire. The Contractor shall also comply with all laws and regulations and contractual provisions relative to the use of client funds, property or other resources.

**c.** <u>Annual Financial Reporting Requirements</u>. The Contractor and any subcontractor must comply with all applicable annual financial reporting requirements set forth in 808 CMR 1.00 and the instructions to the UFR. Any nonprofit Contractor receiving in excess of the threshold of federal funds through the Commonwealth, as set forth in Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 or successor provision, must comply with the Circular as well.

**d.** <u>Publications</u>. The Contractor shall not disseminate, reproduce, display or publish any report, map, information, data or other materials or documents expressly required or produced in whole or in part pursuant to a Contract, nor shall any such materials or documents be the subject of an application for patent or copyright by or an behalf of the Contractor, without the prior written consent of the Department. If the Contractor prepares, publishes or distributes any publication describing any services or programs the cost of which are funded at least in part by a Contract, then any such publication shall, unless the Department directs otherwise, contain a prominently displayed statement to that effect.

e. Additional Provisions Applicable to Contractors Receiving Federal Funds. If the Contractor receives federal funds from the Commonwealth through a Contract, then, in accordance with OMB Circular A-110 or successor provision, it further agrees to the following: i) Equal Employment Opportunity: All contracts entered into by the Contractor shall contain a provision requiring compliance with federal Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375, and as supplemented by regulations at 41 CFR part 60; ii) Contract Work Hours and Safety Act: If the Contractor employs mechanics or laborers to fulfill its contractual obligations, it will comply with sections 102 and 107 of 40 USC 327-333, as supplemented by 29 CFR part 5.; iii) Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act: If the Contractor receives more than \$100,000 in federal funds the Contractor agrees to comply with any applicable standards, order, or regulations issued pursuant to 42 USC 7401 et seq. and 33 USC 1251 et seq.; and iv) Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment: If a Contractor receives \$100,000 or more of federal funds through a Contract, by signing that Contract it certifies it has not and will not use federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 USC 1352. A Contractor shall disclose any lobbying with non-federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any federal award.

**12.** <u>Waivers.</u> Forbearance or indulgence in any form or manner by a party shall not be construed as a waiver, nor in any way limit the legal or equitable remedies available to that party. No waiver by either party of any default or breach shall constitute a waiver of any subsequent default or breach.

**13.** <u>Risk Of Loss.</u> The Contractor shall bear the risk of loss for any Contractor supplies, equipment or other materials used for a Contract and for all deliverables, records, documents, files, data, studies and reports which are in the possession of the Contractor or used by the Contractor in the performance of a Contract until possession and, where applicable, ownership and full legal title, to the deliverables, records, documents, files, data, studies and reports are transferred to and accepted by the Department.

14. <u>Forum and Choice of Law.</u> Any actions arising out of a Contract shall be governed by the laws of Massachusetts, and shall be brought and maintained in a State or federal court in Massachusetts which shall have exclusive jurisdiction thereof.

**15.** Contract Boilerplate Interpretation, Severability, Conflicts With Law, Integration. Any amendment or attachment to any Contract which contains conflicting language or has the effect of deleting, replacing or modifying any printed language of these Commonwealth Terms and Conditions for Human and Social Services, as officially published by ANF, CTR and OSD, shall be interpreted as superseded by the official printed language. If any provision of a Contract is found to be

superseded by state or federal law or regulation, in whole or in part, then both parties shall be relieved of all obligations under that provision only to the extent necessary to comply with the superseding law, provided however, that the remaining provisions of the Contract, or portions thereof, shall be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law. All formal amendments must be executed by the parties and filed with the original record copy of a Contract as prescribed by CTR. The printed language of the Standard Contract Form, as officially published by ANF, CTR and OSD, which incorporates by reference these Commonwealth Terms and Conditions for Human and Social Services, shall supersede any conflicting verbal or written agreements relating to the performance of a Contract, or attached thereto, including contract forms, purchase orders or invoices of the Contractor. The order of priority of documents to interpret a Contract shall be as follows: the printed language of the Commonwealth Terms and Conditions for Human and Social Services, the Standard Contract Form, the Department's Request for Response (RFR) solicitation document and the Contractor's Response to the RFR solicitation, excluding any language stricken by a Department as unacceptable and including any negotiated terms and conditions allowable pursuant to law or regulation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The Contractor certifies under the pains and penalties of perjury that it shall comply with these Commonwealth Terms and Conditions for Human and Social Services for any applicable Contract executed with the Commonwealth as certified by its authorized signatory below:

CONTRACTOR AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY:

Print Name:	(signature)
Title:	
Date:	
Full Legal Organization Name:	
Doing Business As: Name (If Different):	
Tax Identification Number:	
Address:	
Telephone: FAX: _	

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING THE COMMONWEALTH TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR HUMAN AND SOCIAL SERVICES

A "Request for Verification of Taxation Reporting Information" form (Massachusetts Substitute W-9 Format), that contains the Contractor's correct TIN, name and legal address information, must be on file with the Office of the Comptroller. If the Contractor has not previously filed this form with the Comptroller, or if the information contained on a previously filed form has changed, please fill out a W-9 form and return it attached to the executed COMMONWEALTH TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR HUMAN AND SOCIAL SERVICES.

If the Contractor is responding to a Request for Response (RFR), the COMMONWEALTH TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR HUMAN AND SOCIAL SERVICES must be submitted with the Response to RFR or as specified in the RFR. Otherwise, Departments or Contractors must timely submit the completed and properly executed COMMONWEALTH TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR HUMAN AND SOCIAL SERVICES (and the W-9 form if applicable) to the: **Payee and Payments Unit, Office of the Comptroller, 9th Floor, One Ashburton Place, Boston, MA 02108** in order to record the filing of this form on the MMARS Vendor File. Contractors are required to execute and file this form only once.

Approved 3/14/97

## IV. AUTHORIZATION FOR ELECTRONIC FUNDS PAYMENT

Electronic funds transfer (EFT) allows for payments to be made to Contractors electronically. It is the required method of payment for all payees doing business with the Commonwealth. Providers must complete the EFT form on line at:

#### https://massfinance.state.ma.us/VendorWeb/EFT\_FORM.pdf

Note: Do not use the previous version of this form which required the submission of a hard copy. The new version of this form must be completed on-line at the indicated web site.

## V. CONTRACTOR AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY LISTING

#### **CONTRACTOR LEGAL NAME :**

#### **CONTRACTOR VENDOR/CUSTOMER CODE:**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Any Contractor (other than a sole-proprietor or an individual contractor) must provide a listing of individuals who are authorized as legal representatives of the Contractor who can sign contracts and other legally binding documents related to the contract on the Contractor's behalf. In addition to this listing, any state department may require additional proof of authority to sign contracts on behalf of the Contractor, or proof of authenticity of signature (a notarized signature that the Department can use to verify that the signature and date that appear on the Contract or other legal document was actually made by the Contractor's authorized signatory, and not by a representative, designee or other individual.)

NOTICE: Acceptance of any payment under a Contract or Grant shall operate as a waiver of any defense by the Contractor challenging the existence of a valid Contract due to an alleged lack of actual authority to execute the document by the signatory.

For privacy purposes **DO NOT ATTACH** any documentation containing personal information, such as bank account numbers, social security numbers, driver's licenses, home addresses, social security cards or any other personally identifiable information that you do not want released as part of a public record. The Commonwealth reserves the right to publish the names and titles of authorized signatories of contractors.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY NAME	TITLE

I certify that I am the President, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Fiscal Officer, Corporate Clerk or Legal Counsel for the Contractor and as an authorized officer of the Contractor I certify that the names of the individuals identified on this listing are current as of the date of execution below and that these individuals are authorized to sign contracts and other legally binding documents related to contracts with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on behalf of the Contractor. I understand and agree that the Contractor has a duty to ensure that this listing is immediately updated and communicated to any state department with which the Contractor does business whenever the authorized signatories above retire, are otherwise terminated from the Contractor's employ, have their responsibilities changed resulting in their no longer being authorized to sign contracts with the Commonwealth or whenever new signatories are designated.

Signature

Date:

Title:

Telephone:

Fax:

Email: be accepted without all of this in

[Listing can not be accepted without all of this information completed.] A copy of this listing must be attached to the "record copy" of a contract filed with the department.

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CONTRACTOR LEGAL NAME : CONTRACTOR VENDOR/CUSTOMER CODE:



## **PROOF OF AUTHENTICATION OF SIGNATURE**

This page is optional and is available for a department to authenticate contract signatures. It is recommended that Departments obtain authentication of signature for the signatory who submits the Contractor Authorized Listing.

This Section MUST be completed by the Contractor Authorized Signatory in presence of notary.

Signatory's full legal name (print or type):

Title:

**X**\_

Signature as it will appear on contract or other document (**Complete only in presence of notary**):

# AUTHENTICATED BY NOTARY OR CORPORATE CLERK (PICK ONLY ONE) AS FOLLOWS:

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_ (NOTARY) as a notary public certify that I witnessed the signature of the aforementioned signatory above and I verified the individual's identity on this date:

\_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_.

My commission expires on:

AFFIX NOTARY SEAL

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (CORPORATE CLERK) certify that I witnessed the signature of the aforementioned signatory above, that I verified the individual's identity and confirm the individual's authority as an authorized signatory for the Contractor on this date:

\_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_.

AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL