

VENDOR INFORMATION PACKET

(Vendor application is a separate document)

INTRODUCTION

The Ventura County Human Services Agency, Area Agency on Aging (VCHSA-AAA) is seeking qualified individuals, public and private nonprofit services, and private for-profit organizations to provide services for these programs:

- Alzheimer's Program (ADRD),
- Elder Abuse XE (EA-XE),
- ElderHelp Program (EHP),
- Supportive Services Case Management Program (IIIB)
- Family Care Giver Program (IIIE)
- PEARLS Depression Care Program, and/or
- Multipurpose Senior Services Programs (MSSP) (<u>EVV Required for PCS Providers</u>)
- Senior Nutrition Program (IIIC)
- Cal Aim Program
- Other Programs as needed

The following services are specifically being sought: safe return and medical alert bracelets, money management, transportation services (appropriate for frail older adults and/or disabled adults), home repair and/or home safety modification (including ramps, biohazard cleaning & waste management (i.e. ability to remove and dispose of potentially pathogenic substances), adaptive equipment/non-medical home equipment (MUST be a contracted provider with both Medi-Cal and Medicare for wheelchairs, threshold ramps, hospital beds, walkers, etc. for MSSP), respite, personal care, chore and homemaker assistance, and home delivered meals.

Bilingual Spanish speaking individuals providing services to seniors and/or disabled adults are encouraged to apply. Prior to any agency, company, or individual being granted a contract, the applicant(s) will be required to complete a standard vendor application packet and supply proof of all required licensing and/or insurance required by the California Department of Aging (CDA) and the County of Ventura. This application process will be ongoing.

All requests to contract will be subject to review by the Ventura County Human Services Agency, Area Agency on Aging and will depend upon receipt of federal and state funds. Funds will be available beginning July 1 and ending June 30. Contracts may be renegotiated annually to provide services. For more information concerning the vendor application process, contact Connie Riedmiller, at (805) 477-7345.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Prospective vendors must complete a vendor application. Applicants should read the service specifications in this packet and refer to them when completing page 1 of the application (under "List Services to be Provided Based on Vendor Specifications").



Please do not submit proof of insurance, licenses, certifications, etc. <u>with the application</u>. If awarded a contract, submission of these documents will be a contractual contingency.

Applications will be reviewed, evaluated and rated. Successful applicants will be awarded a contract. Vendors not selected will be notified in writing.

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR VENDORS

Address:	Ventura County Human Services Agency, Area Agency on Aging 855 Partridge Dr, Ventura, CA 93003-9086		
Phone:	(805) 477-7300		
Website:	vcaaa.org		
AREAS OF RESPO	NSIBILITY	CONTACT	
Fiscal & Contracts	;		
Contracts; budgets; funding; fiscal reporting.		Brian Murphy, Fiscal & Contracts Manager Phone: (805) 853-6824 Email: <u>brian.murphy@ventura.org</u>	
Contracts; budgets; funding; fiscal reporting and analysis.		Tony Allen, Senior Accountant Phone: (805) 477-7335 Email: tony.allen@ventura.org	
Payments to vendors; expense monitoring; vendor insurance coverage and contract renewals.		Connie Riedmiller, Senior Accounting Assistant Phone: (805) 477-7345 Email: connie.riedmiller@ventura.org	
Payments to vendors; expense monitoring; review of monthly expenditure request for funds, and audit of proof of expenses and contract resolution.		Claudia Castaneda, Senior Accounting Technician Phone: (805) 477-7346 Email: claudia.castaneda@ventura.org	
Programs Utilizing	Programs Utilizing Vendors (Other Programs May Be Added)		
ElderHelp (EHP)		Maricela Pardo, Program Coordinator Phone: (805)477-7322 Email: maricela.pardo@ventura.org	
Alzheimer's Disease & Related Dementia		Giovanny Ortiz, Case Manager Phone: (805) 477-7318 Email: giovanny.ortiz@ventura.org	
Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP) Care Management		Gray Wilking, Program Manager Phone: (805) 477-7336 Email: gray.wilking@ventura.org	



REQUEST FOR VENDORS Contract Period

July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024

Family Caregiver Services Program (FCGS) Title IIIE Case Management	Cristian Rivas, Case Manager Phone: (805) 477-7337 Email: cristian.rivas@ventura.org
Elder Abuse XE Program & Title IIIB Case Management	
Senior Nutrition Program	Alyssa Corse, Grants Administrator Phone: (805) 477-7311 Email: alyssa.corse@ventura.org
Cal Aim Program	Cherie Chavez, Program Manager Phone: 805-477-7353 Email: Cherie.chavez@ventura.org

ACRONYMS

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ADRD	Alzheimer's Disease and Related Diseases Program
CalAIM	California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal
CDA	California Department of Aging
EA-XE	Elder Abuse XE Program
EHP	ElderHelp Program
EVV	Electronic Visit Verification (Required for MSSP Program)
ННА	Home Health Agency
IHSS	In-Home Support Services
MSSP	Multipurpose Senior Services Program
PEARLS	Program to Encourage Active, Rewarding Lives (PEARLS)
RCFE	Residential Care Facility for the Elderly
SNP	Senior Nutrition Program
VCHSA-AAA	Ventura County Human Services Agency, Area Agency on Aging

VENDOR SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS FOR FY 2023-2024

PERSONAL SERVICES:	DEVICES AND EQUIPMENT:	
Chore Services	 Minor Home Repairs & Adaptive 	
 Personal Care Services 	Equipment; Home Modifications and	
Homemaker Services	Personal Security	
Respite Care, In Home	Communication Devices	
Money Management	Non-Medical Home Equipment	
Home-Delivered Meals		
Congregate Meals		
 Transportation 		
 Medically Supportive Meals 		



PERSONAL SERVICES

Service	CHORE SERVICES
Clientele	ADRD, EHP, EA-XE, Title IIIE and MSSP clients
Unit Type	Hour (except for MSSP which is 15 minutes)
Unit Rate	To be determined
Vendor Types	Two (2) types of vendors may be designated: home health agency (HHA) and/or an agency licensed to provide non-medical chore services.
Description	Assistance such as heavy housework, yard work or sidewalk and other home maintenance for a person; household cleaning and supplies, laundry (including the services of a commercial laundry or dry cleaner), shopping and food preparation. Chore services relate to the performance of household tasks rather than care of the client. Client cannot be living in a RCFE.
	→ Vendor agencies are also needed to provide biohazard cleaning and waste management that includes the ability to remove and dispose of potentially pathogenic substances.
License	Business license required for non-HHAs
Requirements	License by California Department of Health Services required for HHAs
Insurance Requirements	General liability and/or Professional liability and Automobile Liability
Certification	Medicare (HHAs only)
Other Standards	All individuals performing chore services must: be a U.S. citizen or legal alien; be 18 years of age or older; have a Social Security card; be able to read, write, carry out directions, and maintain simple records; have reliable transportation available; be able to communicate changes in the client's status and/or family; and be physically capable of performing the work required.



Service	PERSONAL CARE SERVICES
Clientele	ADRD, EHP, EA-XE, Title IIIE and MSSP clients
Unit Type	Unit type may be 1 hour, 1 day or 1 visit depending upon the program
	being served (except for MSSP which is 15 minutes)
Unit Rate	To be determined
Vendor Types	Two types of vendors may be designated: home health agency and/or
	agencies licensed to provide non-medical personal care services.
Description	Personal care services provide assistance, stand-by assistance, supervision or cues to maintain bodily hygiene, personal safety, and activities of daily living such as with eating, bathing, toileting, transferring in/out of bed/chair, walking, dressing, grooming. These tasks are limited to non-medical personal
	services such as feeding, bathing, oral hygiene, grooming, dressing, care of
	and assistance with prosthetic devices, rubbing skin to promote circulation,
	turning in bed and other types of repositioning, assisting with walking, and
	moving the individual from place to place (e.g., transferring).
License	Business license required for non-home health agencies (HHAs)
Requirements	License by California Department of Health Services required for HHAs
Certification	HHA only – Medicare
Insurance	General liability and/or Professional liability and Automobile Liability
Requirements	
Other Standards	Vendors must adhere to state and federal guidelines regarding nondiscriminatory hiring. All individuals must: be a U.S. citizen or legal alien; be 18 years of age; have a Social Security card; be able to read, write, carry out directions and maintain simple records; have reliable transportation; be able to communicate changes in the client's status and/or family; and be physically capable of performing the work required.
Service	HOMEMAKER SERVICES
Clientele	ADRD, EHP, EA-XE, Title IIIE and MSSP clients
Unit Type	Hour (except for MSSP which is 15 minutes)
Unit Rate	To be determined
Vendor Types	Two (2) types of vendors may be designated: home health agency
Vollage Types	(HHA) and/or an agency licensed to provide homemaker services.
Description	Assistance such as preparing meals, shopping for personal and household items, using the telephone or doing light housework. For non-MSSP clients, homemaker services may also provide money management.
License	Business license required for non-HHAs
Requirements	License by California Department of Health Services required for HHAs
Insurance Requirements	General liability and/or Professional liability and Automobile liability
Other	All individuals performing chore services must: be a U.S. citizen or legal
Standards	alien; be 18 years of age; have a Social Security card; be able to read, write, carry out directions and maintain simple records; have reliable transportation available; be able to communicate changes in the client's status and/or family; and be physically capable of performing the work required.



Service	RESPITE CARE, IN-HOME
Clientele	EA-XE, Title IIIE and MSSP clients
Unit Type	Hour (except for MSSP which is 15 minutes)
Unit Rate	To be determined
Vendor Types	Two (2) types of vendors may be designated: home health agency (HHA) and/or an agency licensed to provide homemaker services.
Description	Respite care includes the supervision and care of the frail older adult clients living at home while the family or other individuals who normally provide unpaid, informal care take a short-term relief or respite (which allows them to continue as caregivers). Respite may be to cover emergencies, temporary absences or extended absences of the caregiver.
License Requirements	Business license required for non-HHAs Licensed by California Department of Health Services required for HHAs
Insurance Requirements	General liability and/or Professional liability and Automobile liability
Other Standards	A non-HHA selected to provide non-medical respite in the home may also be licensed to perform chore and personal care services and, must have a valid business license. HHA vendors must be licensed by California Department of Health Services to provide non-medical respite in the home, chore and personal care services. Vendors must adhere to state and federal guidelines regarding nondiscriminatory hiring. All individuals performing chore services must: be a U.S. citizen or legal alien; be 18 years of age; have a Social Security card; be able to read, write, carry out directions, and maintain simple records; have reliable transportation available; be able to communicate changes in the client's status and/or family; and be physically capable of performing the work required.

Service	MONEY MANAGEMENT
Clientele	MSSP clients
Unit Type	1 unit = 1 hour or 1 unit = 1 visit
Description	To assist the client with activities related to managing money and the effective handling of financial resources. Services may be either periodic or as full-time substitute payee. Services may be provided by organizations or individuals specializing in financial management or performing substitute payee.
License	Business License
Requirements	
Insurance	General liability and/or Professional liability and Automobile liability
Requirements	Person providing services must be bonded



Service	TRANSPORTATION
Clientele	ADRD, EHP, EA-XE, Title IIIE and MSSP clients
Service Type	Service type may be one-way trip or escort; door-to-door and/or curb-to-
	curb. To Applicants: Please specify on page 1 of the application form
	service type(s) and unit type(s) you are willing to provide.
Service Unit	Service unit may be hourly or one-way trip depending on the program.
Unit Rate	To be determined
Description	Non-emergency medical transportation to health and social service providers and for other purposes as directed for frail older adults clients and people with disabilities who have limited mobility and who may need specialized vehicles (such as to accommodate a wheelchair) and/or an escort.
	Escort services may be authorized for those clients who cannot manage to travel alone and, require assistance beyond what is normally offered by the transportation provider. Vendors providing this service must use trained paraprofessionals or professionals, depending on the client's condition and care plan requirements.
License Requirements	Drivers must possess a valid Class II or III driver's license issued by the California State Department of Motor Vehicles. Vehicles must have current license tags from the California Department of Motor Vehicles. Contractor must have Business License.
Insurance Requirements	General Liability and/or Professional Liability and Automobile Liability Any contractor providing drivers for the program must provide documentation that adequate vehicle insurance/automobile liability
	coverage is in effect during the life of the service contract.
Other	Providers of transportation services must be either a properly registered
Standards	private non-profit or licensed proprietary agency. Providers of escort
	services must be experienced in serving the needs and conditions of the frail older adults and/or people with disabilities.



DEVICES AND EQUIPMENT

Service	MINOR HOME REPAIRS AND ADAPTIVE EQUIPMENT; HOME (RESIDENTIAL) MODIFICATIONS AND PERSONAL SECURITY
Clientele	EHP, EA-XE, Title IIIE and MSSP clients
Unit Type	One occurrence (one-time only - MSSP)
	1 unit = 1 product (ElderHelp)
Unit Rate	To be determined
Vendor Types	There are two types of vendors: (1) Licensed building or general contractors and (2) handyman.
Description	MSSP:
	Minor Home Repairs and Adaptive Equipment consists of products and installation of products that are necessary to ensure a client's accessibility, safety and security. Examples: ramps, handrails/grab bars, and items above what is covered by the MSSP State Plan, electrical wiring, smoke alarms, and locks, etc. Minor home repairs do not involve major structural changes or repairs to the dwelling. ELDERHELP:
	Personal Security devices that aid in keeping the home environment secure and safe for the client. Examples: medical alert, alarms, assistive devices (including provision of assistive technology services and assistive technology devices). Home Modifications are residential modifications that help make it possible for an older adult to remain in his/her home and that are not available under other programs. Includes minor home repairs/renovations needed to meet
	safety, health issues, and code standards, including ramps, handrails/grab bars.
Restrictions	These services are available only to clients who are owners/occupiers of their own home, or those in rental housing where the owner refuses to make needed repairs or otherwise alter the residence to adapt to special client needs. Before providing service for a client who is a renter, written permission must be obtained from the landlord (including provision for removal of modifications, if necessary) before undertaking repairs or maintenance on leased premises. All services shall be provided in accordance with applicable State or local building codes.
License Requirements	Building/general contractors must be licensed through California Department of Consumer Affairs and, have a business license. Vendors providing handyman services must have a business license.
Insurance Requirements	General Liability and/or Professional Liability and Automobile Liability
Other Standards	Construction jobs greater than \$500 must be performed by a licensed contractor who is bonded, insured and, has a local business license.



Service Name	COMMUNICATION DEVICE
Clientele	MSSP clients
Unit Type	1 unit = One-Time-Only, or 1 unit = Monthly
Unit Rate	To be determined
Description	The rental/purchase of 24-hour emergency assistance services, or installation of a telephone, to assist in communication (excluding hearing aids, eye appliances, and monthly telephone charges) for clients who are at risk of institutionalization due to physical conditions likely to result in a medical emergency. The following are allowable: 24-hour answering/paging; beepers; medic-alert type bracelets/pendants; Intercoms; Life-lines; Wander-alerts; monitoring services; light fixture adaptations (blinking lights, etc.); telephone adaptive devices not available from the telephone company; other electronic devices/services designed for emergency assistance. Telephone installation or reactivation of service will only be authorized to allow the use of telephone-based electronic response systems where
	the client has no telephone, or for the isolated client who has no telephone and who resides where the telephone is the only means of communicating health needs.
License Requirements	Business License
Insurance Requirements	General Liability and/or Professional Liability and Automobile Liability
Other Standards	Electronic communication/response devices used by MSSP must be in general use, thus insuring reliability over time. Product warranties and servicing must also be available. A secondary type of communication device, such as identification bracelets or cards, etc. used in case of emergency may also be purchased from various legitimate community organizations or associations.



Service Name	NON-MEDICAL HOME EQUIPMENT
Clientele	EHP and MSSP clients
Unit Type	1 unit = 1 occurrence (one-time only)
Unit Rate	To be determined
Description	Non-Medical Home Equipment includes those assistive devices, appliances and supplies that are necessary to assure the client's health, safety and independence. This service includes the purchase or repair of nonmedical home equipment and appliances such as refrigerators, stoves, microwave ovens, blenders, kitchenware, heaters, air conditioners, fans, washing machines, dryers, vacuum cleaners, furniture (i.e., couches, lamps, tables, chairs [including recliners and lift chairs]), mattresses and bedding, and emergency supply kits.
License	Business License
Requirements	
Insurance	General Liability
Requirements	
Other Standards	Contractor MUST be a contracted provider with both Medi-Cal and Medicare for wheelchairs, threshold ramps, hospital beds, walkers, etc.

Service Name	HOME-DELIVERED MEALS
Clientele	SNP and MSSP Clients
Unit Type	1 unit = 1 home-delivered meal
Unit Rate	\$8.62 per meal (suggested)
Description	Serve qualified meals to individuals deemed eligible for a senior nutrition meal by the county. Purchase food and other supplies as needed from Jordano's Food Service or any other supplier.
License	Business License
Requirements	
Insurance	General Liability and/or Professional Liability and Automobile Liability
Requirements	
Other Standards	
Service Name	CONGREGATE MEALS
Clientele	SNP Clients
Clientele Unit Type	1 unit = 1 congregate meal
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Service Name	NON-MEDICAL HOME EQUIPMENT
Clientele	EHP and MSSP clients
Unit Type	1 unit = 1 occurrence (one-time only)
Unit Rate	To be determined
Description	Non-Medical Home Equipment includes those assistive devices, appliances and supplies that are necessary to assure the client's health, safety and independence. This service includes the purchase or repair of nonmedical home equipment and appliances such as refrigerators, stoves, microwave ovens, blenders, kitchenware, heaters, air conditioners, fans, washing machines, dryers, vacuum cleaners, furniture (i.e., couches, lamps, tables, chairs [including recliners and lift chairs]), mattresses and bedding, and emergency supply kits.
License	Business License
Requirements	
Insurance	General Liability
Requirements	
Other Standards	· ·
	Medicare for wheelchairs, threshold ramps, hospital beds, walkers, etc.

Service Name	Medically Supportive Meals
Clientele	Adults At Risk for Long Term Care / Institutionalization
Unit Type	1 unit = 1 Prepared and Delivered Meal
Unit Rate	\$18/meal
Description	Medically supportive food tailored to the client's health condition. Health conditions targeted by the Managed Care Plan include but are not limited to: Cancer, Renal Failure, Heart Failure, Diabetes, and Hypertension. A Registered Dietician meets monthly with each participant to review the diet and provide nutritional counseling. They are home delivered and prepared in advance. The tailored meals are in accordance to the Department of Health Care Services Standard Terms and Conditions, and Managed Care Plan's policies. Meals are delivered countywide, two per day for a total of fourteen meals a week.
License	Business License
Requirements	
Insurance	General Liability
Requirements	
Other Standards	

COUNTY OF VENTURA REQUIREMENTS OF CONTRACTORS

Contractors are required to execute a contract agreement. Listed below are some key requirements contained in the agreement. PLEASE READ BEFORE SUBMITTING APPLICATION.

Insurance Requirements



Contractor, at its sole cost and expense, shall obtain and maintain in full force during the term of this agreement, adequate liability insurance to cover all activities of Contractor necessary to fulfill Contractor's obligations under this Agreement. It is understood and agreed that the Area Agency reserves the right to determine the type and extent of insurance that may be required:

- 1. Prior to commencement of any contract, contractor shall provide the VCHSA-AAA proof of the following insurance:
 - (a) Commercial General Liability "occurrence" coverage in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 combined single limit (CSL) bodily injury & property damage each occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate, including personal injury, broad form property damage, products/completed operations, broad form blanket contractual and \$50,000 fire legal liability.
 - (b) Commercial Automobile Liability coverage in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 CSL bodily injury & property damage, including owned, non-owned, and hired automobiles. Also, coverage must include Uninsured/Underinsured Motorists coverage in the minimum amount of \$100,000 when there are owned vehicles. Contractor must have on file evidence of auto insurance in the minimum amount of \$100,000 CSL bodily injury & property damage for all employees and volunteers associated with the contract.
 - (c) Workers' Compensation coverage, in full compliance with California statutory requirements, for all employees of Contractor and Employer's Liability in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000.
 - (d) Professional Liability coverage in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 each occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate. Does not apply to all contractors.
- All insurance required shall be primary coverage in respect to the Area Agency and the County of Ventura, and any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Area Agency and the County of Ventura shall be in excess of, the Contractor's insurance coverage, and shall not contribute to it.
- 3. The County of Ventura and the Ventura County Human Services Agency, Area Agency on Aging are to be named as Additional Insured with respect to work done by Contractor under the terms of this Agreement on all policies required (except Workers' Compensation).
- Contractor agrees to waive all rights of subrogation against the County of Ventura and the Ventura County Human Services Agency, Area Agency on Aging for losses arising directly or indirectly from the



activities and/or work performed by Contractor under the terms of this agreement (applies only to Commercial General Liability and Workers' Compensation).

- 5. The Area Agency is to be notified immediately if any aggregate insurance limit is not met. Additional coverage must be purchased to meet requirements.
- 6. Policies will not be canceled, non-renewed, or reduced in scope of coverage at any time that said policies are required by this agreement until after 30 days' written notice has been given to the Area Agency and approved in writing by the Area Agency. If the reason for cancellation is non-payment of the insurance premium, 10 days' written notice is acceptable.
- 7. Contractor agrees to provide the Area Agency with the following insurance documents on or before the effective date of this contract:
 - (a) Certificates of Insurance for all required coverages. The Area Agency shall be named the certificate holder and the address must be listed on the certificate.
 - (b) Additional Insured endorsements naming the Area Agency and the County of Ventura and authorized with a signature by the insurance carrier.
 - (c) Waiver of Subrogation endorsement (aka: Waiver of Transfer Rights of Recovery Against Others, Waiver of Our Right to Recover from Others).
- 8. If Contractor fails to maintain insurance as required, Area Agency shall have the right, but not the duty, to purchase any such required insurance on Contractor's behalf (a) utilizing grant funds and/or (b) with Contractor obligated to reimburse Area Agency promptly for all such costs not paid by Area Agency directly out of grant funds. Failure to maintain adequate insurance and/or bonds pursuant to Article XVI(a) hereof shall constitute a material breach for which the Area Agency may terminate this Agreement effectively by giving written notice to Contractor, or as other indicated in said notice. Insurance coverage in the minimum amounts set forth herein shall not be construed to relieve Contractor from liability, in excess of such coverage, nor shall it preclude Area Agency from taking such other actions as are available to it under any other provisions of this Agreement or otherwise by law.
- 9. If the Professional Liability coverage is "claims made," Contractor must, for a period of three (3) years after the date when contract is terminated, completed or non-renewed, maintain insurance with a retroactive date that is on or before the start date of this agreement OR Contractor must purchase an extended reporting period endorsement (tail coverage). The Area Agency may withhold final payments due until satisfactory evidence of the tail coverage is provided by Contractor to the Area Agency.



Living Wage Ordinance

This contract is subject to the County of Ventura Living Wage Ordinance ("Ordinance"). The Ordinance requires the payment of a living wage and accompanying paid time off to all covered employees engaged in providing services pursuant to a service contract as defined in Sec.4952 (f). Misrepresentation during the procurement or contracting process, in order to secure the contract, will disqualify a bidder or contractor from further consideration in the procurement or contracting process. Failure to comply once a contract has been awarded will constitute a material breach of the contract and may result, among other things, in the suspension or termination of the affected contract and debarment from future County contracting opportunities for a period not to exceed three years.

Exemptions:

- Students aged 21
- Person earning academic credits regardless of age
- Volunteers.
- Small Employer: Employs less than 5 full-time persons for each working day in 20 or more days per year
- Collective Bargaining: Entity operating under a Collective Bargaining Agreement
- In-Home Support Service Workers (IHSS)
- Board and Care Services
- Printing/Copying Services

Excluded services:

- Contract subject to Federal or State Laws (e.g., Prevailing Wage Construction contracts)
- Contracts between County and Governmental entity
- Contracts between County and Financial/Banking institution
- Contract for professional services requiring specialized skill or licensure (e.g., Consultant, Lawyer, Doctor, Experts, etc.)
- Contract between County and Non-Profit Corporation (IRS Code Section 501(c)(3))

For more information go to: http://www.ventura.org/government-affairs/living-wage-ordinance

<u>Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters</u>

A contractor must certify to the best of its knowledge and belief that it and its subcontractors:

- (a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for disbarment, and declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department or agency.
- (b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in



connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements or receiving stolen property.

- (c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (b) of this certification.
- (d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application had any public transaction (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

Information Integrity and Security

Entities contracting with the County of Ventura/VCHSA-AAA must protect from unauthorized disclosure the names and other identifying information concerning persons receiving services pursuant to this agreement, except for statistical information not identifying any participant. This provision shall remain in force even after termination of the contract. A contractor cannot use such identifying information for any other purpose than carrying out contractor's obligations under this agreement. Identifying information shall include, but not be limited to, name, identifying number, social security number, state driver's license or state identification number, financial account numbers, symbol or other identifying characteristic assigned to the individual, such as finger or voice print or a photograph.

A contractor cannot, except as otherwise specifically authorized or required by this agreement or court order, disclose any identifying information obtained under the terms of this agreement to anyone other than the Area Agency and/or the California Department of Aging without prior written authorization from the Area Agency and/or the California Department of Aging. A contractor may be authorized, in writing, by a participant to disclose identifying information specific to the authorizing participant.

A contractor may allow participants to authorize the release of information to specific entities, but shall not request or encourage any participant to give blanket authorization to sign, a blank release, nor can Contractor accept such from any participant.

A contractor is required to encrypt (or use an equally effective measure), any data collected under this Agreement that is confidential, sensitive, and/or personal including data stored on portable computing devices (including but not limited to, laptops, personal digital assistants, and notebook computers) and/or portable electronic storage media (including but not limited to, discs and thumb/flash drives, portable hard drives). The Grantee shall ensure that personal, sensitive, and confidential information is protected from inappropriate or unauthorized access or disclosure in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and State policies. The requirement to protect information shall remain in force until superseded by laws, regulations, or policies.

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