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- 1.0 ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This Contract, its exhibits, subsequent amendments and the documents incorporated by order of precedence contain the entire understanding between the parties on the subject matter hereof, and no representations, inducements, promises, or agreements, oral or otherwise, not embodied herein shall be of any force or effect. This Contract supersedes any other oral or written agreement entered into between the parties on the subject matter hereof.

This Contract may be amended at any time by written mutual agreement, but any such amendment shall be without prejudice to any claim arising prior to the date of the change. No one, except duly authorized officers or agents of the Contractor and the Department, shall alter or amend this Contract. No change in this Contract shall be valid unless evidenced by an amendment that is signed by such officers of the Contractor and the Department.

- 2.0 COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONTRACT AND APPLICABLE LAW:** In the event of a conflict between this Contract and any applicable federal or state statute, administrative rule, or regulation; the statute, rule, or regulation will control.

In connection with the performance of work under this Contract, the Contractor agrees not to discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of age, race, religion, creed, color, handicap, physical condition, developmental disability as defined in Wis. Stat. § 51.01 (5); marital status, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, ancestry, arrest record, conviction record; or membership in the national guard, state defense force, or any reserve component of the military forces of the United States or this state.

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable requirements and provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990. Evidence of compliance with ADA shall be made available to the Department upon request.

The Contractor acknowledges that Wis. Stat. § 40.07 specifically exempts information related to individuals in the records of the Department of Employee Trust Funds from the Wisconsin Public Records Law. Contractor shall treat any such records provided to or accessed by Contractor as non-public records as set forth in Wis. Stat. § 40.07.

Contractor will comply with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 134.98.

- 3.0 LEGAL RELATIONS:** The Contractor shall at all times comply with and observe all federal and State laws, local laws, ordinances, and regulations which are in effect during the period of this Contract and which in any manner affect the work or its conduct. This includes but is not limited to laws regarding compensation, hours of work, conditions of employment and equal opportunities for employment.

In carrying out any provisions of this Contract or in exercising any power or authority granted to the Contractor thereby, there shall be no liability upon the Department, it being understood that in such matters that the Department acts as an agent of the State.

The Contractor accepts full liability and agrees to hold harmless the State, the Department's governing boards, the Department, its employees, agents and contractors for any act or omission of the Contractor, or any of its employees, in connection with this Contract.

No employee of the Contractor may represent himself or herself as an employee of the Department or the State.

- 4.0 CONTRACTOR:** The Contractor will be the sole point of contact with regard to contractual matters, including the performance of Services and the payment of any and all charges resulting from contractual obligations.

None of the Services to be provided by the Contractor shall be subcontracted or delegated to any other organization, subdivision, association, individual, corporation, partnership or group of individuals, or other such entity without prior written notification to, and approval of, the Department.

The Contractor shall be solely responsible for its actions and those of its agents, employees or subcontractors under this Contract. The Contractor will be responsible for Contract performance when subcontractors are used. Subcontractors must abide by all terms and conditions of this Contract.

Neither the Contractor nor any of the foregoing parties has the authority to act or speak on behalf of the State of Wisconsin.

The Contractor will be responsible for payment of any losses by subcontractors or agents.

Any notice required or permitted to be given shall be deemed to have been given on the date of delivery or three (3) Business Days after mailing by the United States Postal Service, certified or registered mail-receipt requested. In the event the Contractor moves or updates contact information, the Contractor shall inform the Department of such changes in writing within ten (10) Business Days. The Department shall not be held responsible for payments delayed due to the Contractor's failure to provide such notice.

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- 5.0 CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE:** Work under this Contract shall be performed in a timely, professional and diligent manner by qualified and efficient personnel and in conformity with the strictest quality standards mandated or recommended by all generally-recognized organizations establishing quality standards for the work of the type to be performed hereunder. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for controlling the manner and means by which it and its employees or its subcontractors perform the Services, and the Contractor shall observe, abide by, and perform all of its obligations in accordance with all legal and Contract requirements.

Without limiting the foregoing, the Contractor shall control the manner and means of the Services so as to perform the work in a reasonably safe manner and comply fully with all applicable codes, regulations and requirements imposed or enforced by any government agencies. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any stricter standard provided in plans, specifications or other documents incorporated as part of this Contract shall govern.

The Contractor shall provide the Services with all due skill, care, and diligence, in accordance with accepted industry practices and legal requirements, and to the Department's satisfaction; the Department's decision in that regard shall be final and conclusive.

All Contractor's Services under this Contract shall be performed in material compliance with the applicable federal and state laws and regulations in effect at the time of performance, except when imposition of a newly enacted or revised law or regulation would result in an unconstitutional impairment of this Contract.

The Contractor will make commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that Contractor's professional and managerial staff maintain a working knowledge and understanding of all federal and state laws, regulations, and administrative code appropriate for the performance of their respective duties, as well as contemplated changes in such law which affect or may affect the Service under this Contract.

- 6.0 AUDIT PROVISION:** The Contractor and its authorized subcontractors are subject to audits by the State of Wisconsin, the Legislative Audit Bureau (LAB), an independent Certified Public Accountant (CPA), or other representatives as authorized by the State of Wisconsin. The Contractor will cooperate with such efforts and provide all requested information permitted under the law.

Authorized personnel shall have access to interview any Contractor's or subcontractor's employee or authorized agent involved with this Contract in conjunction with any audit, review, or investigation deemed necessary by the State of Wisconsin.

- 7.0 CRIMINAL BACKGROUND VERIFICATION:** The Department follows the provisions in the Wisconsin Human Resources Handbook Chapter 246, Securing Applicant Background Checks (see <http://oser.state.wi.us/docview.asp?docid=6658>). The Contractor is expected to perform background checks that, at a minimum, adhere to those standards. This includes the criminal history record from the Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ), Wisconsin Circuit Court Automation Programs (CCAP), and other State justice departments for persons who have lived in a state(s) other than Wisconsin. More stringent background checks are permitted. Details regarding the Contractor's background check procedures should be provided to the Department regarding the measures used by the Contractor to protect the security and privacy of program data and participant information. A copy of the result of the criminal background check the Contractor conducted must be made available to the Department upon request. The Department reserves the right to conduct its own criminal background checks on any or all employees or subcontractors of and referred by the Contractor for the delivery or provision of Services.

- 8.0 COMPLIANCE WITH ON-SITE PARTY RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Contractor and the State of Wisconsin agree that their employees, while working at or visiting the premises of the other party, shall comply with all internal rules and regulations of the other party, including security procedures, and all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations applicable to the location where said employees are working or visiting.

The Department is responsible for allocating building and equipment access, as well as any other necessary Services available from the Department that may be used by the Contractor. Any use of the Department facilities, equipment, internet access, and/or services shall only be for project purposes as authorized by the Department. The Contractor will provide its own personal computers, which must comply with the Department security policies before connection to the Department's local computer network.

- 9.0 SECURITY OF PREMISES, EQUIPMENT, DATA AND PERSONNEL:** The State of Wisconsin shall have the right, acting by itself or through its authorized representatives, to enter the premises of the Contractor at mutually agreeable times to inspect and copy the records of the Contractor and the Contractor's compliance with this section. In the course of performing Services under this Contract, the Contractor may have access to the personnel, premises, equipment, and other property, including data files, information, or materials (collectively referred to as "data") belonging to the State.

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The Contractor shall be responsible for damage to the State's equipment, workplace, and its contents, or for the loss of data, when such damage or loss is caused by the Contractor, contracted personnel, or subcontractors, and shall reimburse the State accordingly upon demand. This remedy shall be in addition to any other remedies available to the State by law or in equity.

- 10.0 BREACH NOT WAIVER:** A failure to exercise any right, or a delay in exercising any right, power or remedy hereunder on the part of either party shall not operate as a waiver thereof. Any express waiver shall be in writing and shall not affect any event or default other than the event or default specified in such waiver. A waiver of any covenant, term or condition contained herein shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same covenant, term or condition. The making of any payment to the Contractor under this Contract shall not constitute a waiver of default, evidence of proper Contractor performance, or acceptance of any defective item or Services furnished by the Contractor.
- 11.0 SEVERABILITY:** The provisions of this Contract shall be deemed severable and the unenforceability of any one or more provisions shall not affect the enforceability of any of the other provisions. If any provision of this Contract, for any reason, is declared to be invalid, unenforceable, or illegal, the parties shall substitute an enforceable provision that, to the maximum extent possible in accordance with applicable law, preserves the original intentions and economic positions of the parties.
- 12.0 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:** The Contractor and Department acknowledge that it can be difficult to ascertain actual damages when a Contractor fails to carry out the responsibilities of this Contract. Because of that, the Contractor and Department will negotiate liquidated damages, as required by the State of Wisconsin, for this Contract. The Contractor agrees that the Department shall have the right to liquidate such damages, through deduction from the Contractor's invoices, in the amount equal to the damages incurred, or by direct billing to the Contractor.

The Department shall notify the Contractor in writing of any claim for liquidated damages pursuant to this section within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the Contractor's failure to perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

Notwithstanding the foregoing language, when necessary the Department will identify in the RFP specific financial penalties for failure of the Contractor to meet performance standards and guarantees that may be set forth in the RFP.

- 13.0 CONTRACT DISPUTE RESOLUTION:** In the event of any dispute or disagreement between the parties under this Contract, whether with respect to the interpretation of any provision of this Contract, or with respect to the performance of either party hereto, except for breach of Contractor's intellectual property rights, each party shall appoint a representative to meet for the purpose of endeavoring to resolve such dispute or negotiate for and adjustment to such provision.

No legal action of any kind, except for the seeking of equitable relief in the case of the public's health, safety or welfare, may begin in regard to the dispute until this dispute resolution procedure has been elevated to the Contractor's highest executive authority and the equivalent executive authority within the Department, and either of the representatives in good faith concludes, after a good faith attempt to resolve the dispute, that amicable resolution through continued negotiation of the matter at issue does not appear likely.

The party believing itself aggrieved (the "Invoking Party") shall call for progressive management involvement in the dispute negotiation by delivering written notice to the other party. Such notice shall be without prejudice to the Invoking Party's right to any other remedy permitted by this Contract. After such notice, the parties shall use all reasonable efforts to arrange personal meetings and/or telephone conferences as needed, at mutually convenient times and places, between authorized negotiators for the parties at the following successive management levels, each of which shall have a period of allotted time as specified below which to attempt to resolve the dispute:

Level	Contractor	The Department	Allotted Time
First	Level 1 entity	Deputy Office Director	10 Business Days
Second	Level 2 entity	Office Director	20 Business Days
Third	Level 3 entity	Secretary	30 Business Days

The allotted time for the First Level negotiations shall begin on the date the Invoking Party's notice is received by the other party. Subsequent allotted time is days from the date that the Invoking Party's notice was originally received by the other party. If the Third Level parties cannot resolve the issue within thirty (30) business days of the Invoking Party's original notice, then the issue shall be designated as a dispute at the discretion of the Invoking Party and, if so, shall be resolved in accordance with the section below. The time periods herein are in addition to those periods for a party to cure provided elsewhere in this Contract, and do not apply to claims for equitable relief (e.g., injunction to prevent disclosure of Confidential Information). The Department may withhold payments on disputed items pending resolution of the dispute.

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14.0 CONTROLLING LAW: All questions as to the execution, validity, interpretation, construction and performance of this Contract shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Wisconsin, without regard to any conflicts of laws or choice of law principles. Any court proceeding arising or related to this Contract or a party's obligations hereunder shall be exclusively brought and exclusively maintained in the State of Wisconsin, Dane County Circuit Court, or in the District Court of the United States Western District (if jurisdiction is proper in federal court), or upon appeal to the appellate courts of corresponding jurisdiction, and Contractor hereby consents to the exclusive jurisdiction and exclusive venue therein and waives any right to object to such jurisdiction or venue. To the extent that in any jurisdiction Contractor may now or hereafter be entitled to claim for itself or its assets immunity from suit, execution, attachment (before or after judgment) or other legal process, Contractor, to the extent it may effectively do so, irrevocably agrees not to claim, and it hereby waives, the same.

15.0 RIGHT TO SUSPEND OPERATIONS: If, at any time during the period of this Contract, the Department determines that the best interest of the Department or its governing boards would be best served by the Contractor's temporarily holding of all Services, the Department will promptly notify the Contractor. Upon receipt of such notice, the Contractor shall suspend all Services.

16.0 TERMINATION OF THIS CONTRACT: The Department may terminate this Contract at any time at its sole discretion by delivering one-hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days written notice to the Contractor.

Upon termination, the Department's liability shall be limited to the prorated cost of the Services performed as of the date of termination plus expenses incurred with the prior written approval of the Department.

If the Contractor terminates this Contract, it shall refund all payments made hereunder by the Department to the Contractor for work not completed or not accepted by the Department. Such termination shall require written notice to that effect to be delivered by the Contractor to the Department not less than one-hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to said termination.

Upon any termination of this Contract, the Contractor shall perform the Services specified in a transition plan if so requested by the Department; provided, however, that except as expressly set forth otherwise herein, the Contractor shall not be obligated to perform such Services unless all amounts due to the Contractor under this Contract, including payment for the transition Services, have been paid. Failure of the Contractor to comply with a transition plan upon request and upon payment shall constitute a separate breach for which the Contractor shall be liable.

Upon the expiration or termination for any reason, each party shall be released from all obligations to the other arising after the expiration date or termination date, except for those that by their terms survive such termination or expiration.

17.0 TERMINATION FOR CAUSE: If the Contractor fails to perform any material requirement of this Contract, breaches any material requirement of this Contract, or if the Contractor's full and satisfactory performance of this Contract is substantially endangered, the Department may terminate this Contract. Before terminating this Contract, the Department shall give written notice of its intent to terminate to Contractor after a thirty (30) Day written notice and cure period.

The State of Wisconsin reserves the right to cancel this Contract in whole or in part without penalty in one (1) or more of the following occurrences:

1. If the Contractor intentionally furnished any statement, representation, warranty, or certification in connection with its Proposal which is materially false, incorrect, or incomplete;
2. If applicable, fails to follow the sales and use tax certification requirements of Wis. Stat. § 77.66;
3. Incurs a delinquent Wisconsin tax liability;
4. Fails to submit a non-discrimination or affirmative action plan per the requirements of Wis. Stat. § 16.765 and Wisconsin's Fair Employment Law, subch. II, Chapter 111 of the Wisconsin Statutes as required herein;
5. Is presently identified on the list of parties excluded from State of Wisconsin procurement and non-procurement Contracts;
6. Becomes a state or federal debarred Contractor, or becomes excluded from state Contracts, or;
7. Fails to maintain and keep in force all required insurance, permits and licenses as required per this Contract;
8. Fails to maintain the confidentiality of the State of Wisconsin's information that is considered to be Confidential Information or Protected Health Information;
9. Files a petition in bankruptcy, become insolvent, or otherwise takes action to dissolve as a legal entity; or,
10. If at any time the Contractor's performance threatens the health or safety of a State of Wisconsin employee, citizen, or customer.
11. Violation of any requirements in Section 22 regarding Confidential Information.

In the event of a termination for cause by the State of Wisconsin, the State of Wisconsin shall be liable for payments for any work accepted by the State of Wisconsin prior to the date of termination.

18.0 REMEDIES OF THE STATE: The State of Wisconsin shall be free to invoke any and all remedies permitted under Wisconsin law. In particular, if the Contractor fails to perform as specified in this Contract, the State of Wisconsin may

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issue a written notice of default providing for at least a seven (7) Business Day period in which the Contractor shall have an opportunity to cure, provided that cure is possible, feasible, and approved in writing by the State of Wisconsin. Time allowed for cure of a default shall not diminish or eliminate the Contractor's liability. If the default remains, after opportunity to cure, then the State of Wisconsin may: (1) exercise any remedy provided in law or in equity or (2) terminate Contractor's Services.

If the Contractor fails to remedy any delay or other problem in its performance of this Contract after receiving reasonable notice from the State of Wisconsin to do so, the Contractor shall reimburse the State of Wisconsin for all reasonable costs incurred as a direct consequence of the Contractor's delay, action, or inaction.

In case of failure to deliver Services in accordance with or Services from other sources as necessary, Contractor shall be responsible for the additional cost, including purchase price and administrative fees. This remedy shall be in addition to any other legal remedies available to the State of Wisconsin.

19.0 TRANSITIONAL SERVICES: Upon cancellation, termination, or expiration of this Contract for any reason, the Contractor shall provide reasonable cooperation, assistance and Services, and shall assist the State of Wisconsin to facilitate the orderly transition of the work hereunder to the State of Wisconsin and or to an alternative Contractor selected for the transition upon written notice to the Contractor at least thirty (30) business days prior to termination or cancellation, and subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein.

20.0 ADDITIONAL INSURANCE RESPONSIBILITY: The Contractor shall exercise due diligence in providing Services under this Contract. In order to protect the Board's governing the Department and any Department employee against liability, cost, or expenses (including reasonable attorney fees) which may be incurred or sustained as a result of Contractor's errors or other failure to comply with the terms of this Contract, the selected Contractor shall maintain errors and omissions insurance including coverage for network and privacy risks, breach of privacy and wrongful disclosure of information in an amount acceptable to the Department with a minimum of **\$1,000,000** per claim in force during this Contract period and for a period of three (3) years thereafter for Services completed. Contractor shall furnish the Department with a certificate of insurance for such amount. Further, this certificate shall designate the State of Wisconsin Employee Trust Funds and its affiliated boards as additional insured parties. The Department reserves the right to require higher or lower limits where warranted.

21.0 OWNERSHIP OF MATERIALS: Except as otherwise provided in subsection (t) of section 22, all information, data, reports and other materials as are existing and available from the Department and which the Department determines to be necessary to carry out the scope of Services under this Contract shall be furnished to the Contractor and shall be returned to the Department upon completion of this Contract. The Contractor shall not use it for any purpose other than carrying out the work described in this Contract.

The Department will be furnished without additional charge all data, models, information, reports, and other materials associated with and generated under this Contract by the Contractor.

The Department shall solely own all customized software, documents, and other materials developed under this Contract. Use of software, documents, and materials by the Contractor shall only be with the prior written approval of the Department.

This Contract shall no way affect or limit the Departments rights to use, disclose or duplicate, for any purpose whatsoever, all information and data pertaining to the Department or Covered Individuals and generated by the claims administration and other Services provided by Contractor under this Contract.

All files (paper or electronic) containing any Wisconsin claimant or employee information and all records created and maintained in the course of the work specified by this Contract are the sole and exclusive property of the Department. Contractor may maintain copies of such files during the term of this Contract as may be necessary or appropriate for its performance of this Contract. Moreover, Contractor may maintain copies of such files after the term of this Contract (i) for one hundred twenty (120) days after termination, after which all such files shall be transferred to the Department or destroyed by Contractor, except for any files as to which a claim has been made, and (ii) for an unlimited period of time after termination for Contractor's use for statistical purposes, if Contractor first deletes all information in the records from which the identity of a claimant or employee could be determined and certifies to the Department that all personal identifiers have been removed from the retained files.

22.0 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AND HIPAA BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT: This Section is intended to cover handling of Confidential Information under state and federal law, and specifically to comply with the requirements of HIPAA and HITECH and the federal implementing regulations for those statutes requiring a written agreement with business associates.

(a) DEFINITIONS: As used in this Section, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) Business Associate.** "Business Associate" has the meaning ascribed to it at 45 CFR 160.103 and in this Contract refers to the Contractor (insert name of Contractor).

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- (2) Confidential Information has the meaning ascribed to it in Section 1.5 of the RFP.
 - (3) Covered Entity. "Covered Entity" has the meaning ascribed to it at 45 CFR 160.103 and in this Contract refers to the Department of Employee Trust Funds.
 - (4) HIPAA Rules. "HIPAA Rules" mean the Privacy, Security, Breach Notification, and Enforcement Rules at 45 CFR Part 160 and Part 164.
 - (5) Individual Personal Information "Individual Personal Information" has the meaning ascribed to it at Wis. Admin. Code ETF § 10.70 (1).
 - (6) Medical Record. "Medical Record" has the meaning ascribed to it at Wis. Admin. Code ETF 10.01 (3m).
- (b) **PROVISION OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FOR CONTRACTED SERVICES:** ETF, a different business associate of ETF or a contractor performing Services for ETF may provide Confidential Information to the Contractor under this Contract as the Department determines is necessary for the proper administration of this Contract, as provided by Wis. Stat. § 40.07 (1m) (d) and (3).
- (c) **DUTY TO SAFEGUARD CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION:** The Contractor shall safeguard Confidential Information supplied to the Contractor or its employees under this Contract. In addition, the Contractor will only share Confidential Information with its employees on a need-to-know basis. Should the Contractor fail to properly protect Confidential Information, any cost the Department pays to mitigate the failure will be subtracted from the Contractor's invoice(s).
- (d) **USE AND DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION:** Contractor shall:
- (1) Not use or disclose Confidential Information for any purpose other than as permitted or required by this Contract or as required by law. Contractor shall not use or disclose member names, addresses, or other data for any purpose other than specifically provided for in this Contract;
 - (2) Make uses and disclosures and requests for any Confidential Information following the minimum necessary standard in the HIPAA Rules;
 - (3) Use appropriate safeguards to prevent use or disclosure of Confidential Information other than as provided for by this Contract, and with respect to Protected Health Information, comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164;
 - (4) Not use or disclose Confidential Information in a manner that would violate Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164 or Wis. Stat. § 40.07 if done by ETF.
 - (5) If applicable, be allowed to use or disclose Confidential Information for the proper management and administration of the Contractor or to carry out the legal responsibilities of the Contractor, provided the disclosures are required by law, or Contractor obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom the information is disclosed that the information will remain confidential and used or further disclosed only as required by law or for the purposes for which it was disclosed to the person, and the person notifies Contractor of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been or is suspected of being breached.
- (e) **COMPLIANCE WITH ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS AND CODE SET STANDARDS:** The Contractor shall comply with each applicable requirements of 45 C.F.R. Part 162 if the Contractor conducts standard transactions, as that term is defined in HIPAA, for or on behalf of ETF.
- (f) **MANDATORY REPORTING:** Contractor shall report to ETF in the manner set forth in Subsection (l) any use or disclosure or suspected use or disclosure of Confidential Information not provided for by this Contract, of which it becomes aware, including breaches or suspected breaches of unsecured Protected Health Information as required at 45 CFR 164.410.
- (g) **DESIGNATED RECORD SET:** Contractor shall make available Protected Health Information in a designated record set to the individual as necessary to satisfy ETF's obligations under 45 CFR 164.524.
- (h) **AMENDMENT IN DESIGNATED RECORD SET:** Contractor shall make any amendment to Protected Health Information in a designated record set as directed or agreed to by ETF pursuant to 45 CFR 164.526, or take other measures as necessary to satisfy ETF's obligations under 45 CFR 164.526.
- (i) **ACCOUNTING OF DISCLOSURES:** Contractor shall maintain and make available the information required to provide an accounting of disclosures to the individual as necessary to satisfy ETF's obligations under 45 CFR 164.528.
- (j) **COMPLIANCE WITH SUBPART E OF 45 CFR 164:** To the extent Contractor is to carry out one or more of ETF's obligations under Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164, Contractor shall comply with the requirements of Subpart E that apply to a covered entity in the performance of such obligation; and

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- (k) **INTERNAL PRACTICES:** Contractor shall make its internal practices, books, and records available to the Secretary of the United States Department of Labor for purposes of determining compliance with the HIPAA Rules.
- (l) **CONTRACTOR REPORTING OF BREACH OR SUSPECTED BREACH OR DISCLOSURE TO ETF:**
- (1) Within twenty-four (24) hours after Contractor becomes aware of a suspected breach, impermissible use, or impermissible disclosure, notify in writing the ETF Program Manager and Privacy Officer. A suspected breach, impermissible use, or impermissible disclosure is considered to be discovered as of the first day on which such occurrence is known to Contractor, or, by exercising reasonable diligence, would have been known to Contractor. The notification must contain details sufficient for the ETF Program Manager and Privacy Officer to determine ETF's agency response. Sufficient details include, without limitation:
- A list of any affected members (if available);
 - Information about the information included in the breach, impermissible use, or impermissible disclosure;
 - The date or dates of the suspected breach, impermissible use, or impermissible disclosure;
 - The date of the discovery by Contractor;
 - A list of the pro-active steps taken by Contractor and being taken to correct breach, impermissible use or impermissible disclosure; and
 - Contact information at Contractor for affected persons who contact ETF regarding the issue.
- (2) Not less than one (1) business day before Contractor makes any external communications to the public, media, federal Office of Civil Rights (OCR), other governmental entity, or persons potentially affected by the breach, impermissible use, or impermissible disclosure, provide a copy of the planned communication to the ETF Program Manager and Privacy Officer.
- (3) Within thirty (30) days after Contractor makes the initial report under this section, Contractor shall research the suspected breach, impermissible use, or impermissible disclosure Confidential Information and provide a report in writing to the ETF Program Manager. The report must contain, at a minimum:
- A complete list of any affected members and contact information;
 - Copies of correspondence or notifications provided to the public, media, OCR, other governmental entity, or persons potentially affected;
 - Whether Contractor's Privacy Officer has determined there has been a reportable breach under HIPAA, or an unauthorized acquisition under Wis. Stat. §134.98 and the reasoning for such determination;
 - If Contractor determines there has been a breach, impermissible use, or impermissible disclosure, an explanation of the root cause of the breach, impermissible use, or impermissible disclosure;
 - A list of the corrective actions taken to mitigate the suspected breach, impermissible use, or impermissible disclosure; and
 - A list of the corrective actions taken to prevent a similar future breach, impermissible use, or impermissible disclosure.
- (m) **CLASSIFICATION LABELS:** Contractor shall ensure that all data classification labels contained on or included in any item of Confidential Information shall be reproduced by Contractor on any reproduction, modification, or translation of such Confidential Information. Contractor shall make a reasonable effort to add a proprietary notice or indication of confidentiality to any tangible materials within its possession that contain Confidential Information of the State, as directed by the Department.
- (n) **SUBCONTRACTORS:** If applicable, in accordance with 45 CFR 164.502(e)(1)(ii) and 164.308(b)(2), Contractor shall ensure that any subcontractors that create, receive, maintain, or transmit Confidential Information on behalf of Contractor agree to the same restrictions, conditions, and requirements that apply to Contractor with respect to such information.
- (o) **NOTICE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS:** If Contractor or any of its employees, agents, or subcontractors is legally required in any administrative, regulatory or judicial proceeding to disclose any Confidential Information, contractor shall give the Department prompt notice (unless it has a legal obligation to the contrary) so that the Department may seek a protective order or other appropriate remedy. In the event that such protective order is not obtained, Contractor shall furnish only that portion of the information that is legally required and shall disclose the Confidential Information in a manner reasonably designed to preserve its confidential nature.
- (p) **MITIGATION:** The Contractor shall take immediate steps to mitigate any harmful effects of the suspected or actual unauthorized use, disclosure, or loss of any Confidential Information provided to Contractor under this Contract. The Contractor shall reasonably cooperate with the Department's efforts to comply with the breach notification requirements of HIPAA, to seek appropriate injunctive relief or otherwise prevent or curtail such suspected or actual unauthorized use, disclosure or loss, or to recover its Confidential Information, including complying with a reasonable corrective action plan, as directed by the Department.

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- (q) **COMPLIANCE REVIEWS:** The Department may conduct a compliance review of the Contractor's security procedures before and during this Contract term to protect Confidential Information.
- (r) **AMENDMENT:** The Parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend the Contract as necessary for compliance with the HIPAA Rules and other applicable law.
- (s) **SURVIVAL:** The obligations of Contractor under this Section survive the termination of the underlying Contract.
- (t) **RETURN OR DESTRUCTION OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION:** Upon termination of this Contract for any reason, Contractor, with respect to Confidential Information received from ETF, another contractor of ETF, or created, maintained, or received by Contractor on behalf of ETF, shall:
 - 1. Retain only that Confidential Information which is necessary for Contractor to continue its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities;
 - 2. Return to ETF or, if agreed to by ETF, destroy the remaining Confidential Information that Contractor still maintains in any form;
 - 3. Continue to use appropriate safeguards and comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164 with respect to electronic Protected Health Information to prevent use or disclosure of the Protected Health Information, other than as provided for in this Subsection, for as long as Contractor retains the Protected Health Information;
 - 4. Not use or disclose the Confidential Information retained by Contractor other than for the purposes for which such Confidential Information was retained and subject to the same conditions set out above under Subsection (d) which applied prior to termination; and
 - 5. Return to ETF or, if agreed to by ETF, destroy the Protected Health Information retained by Contractor when it is no longer needed by Contractor for its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities.
 - 6. If required by ETF, transmit the Confidential Information to another contractor of ETF.

23.0 INDEMNIFICATION:

- 23.1 **SCOPE OF INDEMNIFICATION FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS INFRINGEMENT:** In the event of a claim against the Parties for Intellectual Property Rights Infringement associated with a claim for benefits, Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Board and Department ("Indemnified Parties") from and against any and all claims, actions, loss, damage, expenses, costs (including reasonable fees for Department's staff attorneys and/or attorneys from the Wisconsin Attorney General's Office) reasonable attorneys' fees otherwise incurred by Board, Department and/or the Wisconsin Attorney General's Office, court costs, and related reasonable legal expenses whether incurred in defending against such claims or enforcing this Section.
- 23.2 **SCOPE OF OTHER INDEMNIFICATION:** In addition to the foregoing Section, Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Indemnified Parties from and against any and all claims, actions, loss, damage, expenses, costs (including reasonable fees for Department's staff attorneys and/or attorneys from the Wisconsin Attorney General's Office) reasonable attorneys' fees otherwise incurred by Department and/or the Wisconsin Attorney General's Office, court costs, and related reasonable legal expenses whether incurred in defending against such claims or enforcing this Section, or liability arising from or in connection with the following: (a) Contractor's performance of or failure to perform any duties or obligations under any agreement between Contractor and any third party; (b) injury to persons (including death or illness) or damage to property caused by the act or omission of Contractor or Contractor Personnel; (c) any claims or losses for Services rendered by any subcontractor, person, or firm performing or supplying Services, materials, or supplies in connection with the Contractor's performance of this Contract; (d) any claims or losses resulting to any person or third party entity injured or damaged by the Contractor, its officers, employees, or subcontractors by the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, performance, use, or disposition of any data used under this Contract in a manner not authorized by this Contract, or by Federal or State statutes or regulations; and (e) any failure of the Contractor, its officers, employees, or subcontractors to observe State and Federal laws including, but not limited to, labor and wage and hour laws.
- 23.3 **INDEMNIFICATION NOTICE:** Department shall give Contractor prompt written notice of such claim, suit, demand, or action (provided that a failure to give such prompt notice will not relieve Contractor of its indemnification obligations hereunder except to the extent Contractor can demonstrate actual, material prejudice to its ability to mount a defense as a result of such failure). Department will cooperate, assist, and consult with Contractor in the defense or investigation of any claim made or suit filed against Department resulting from Contractor's performance under the Contract.
- 23.4 **NO INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATIONS:** Contractor shall as soon as practicable, notify Department of any claim made or suit filed against Contractor resulting from Contractor's obligations under this Contract if such claim may involve the Department. Department has no obligation to provide legal counsel or defense to

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Contractor if a suit, claim, or action is brought against Contractor or its subcontractors as a result of Contractor's performance of its obligations under this Contract. In addition, Department has no obligation for the payment of any judgments or the settlement of any claims against Contractor arising from or related to this Contract. Department has not waived any right or entitlement to claim sovereign immunity under this Contract.

- 23.5 CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO INDEMNIFY:** Contractor shall comply with its obligations to indemnify, defend and hold the Indemnified Parties harmless with regard to claims, damages, losses and/or expenses arising from a claim for benefits under the Plan as provided herein. Contractor shall be entitled to control the defense of any such claim and to defend or settle any such claim, in its sole discretion, with counsel of its own choosing; however, Contractor shall consult with Department regarding its defense of any claim and not settle or compromise any claim or action in a manner that imposes restrictions or obligations on Department, requires any financial payment by Department, or grants rights or concessions to a third party without first obtaining Department's prior written consent. Contractor shall have the right to assert any and all defenses on behalf of the Indemnified parties, including sovereign immunity.

In carrying out any provision of this Contract or in exercising any power or authority granted to the Contractor thereby, there shall be no liability upon the Department, it being understood that in such matters the Department acts as an agent of the State.

The Contractor shall at all times comply with and observe all federal and state laws and regulations which are in effect during the period of this Contract and which in any manner affect the work or its conduct.

- 24.0 EQUITABLE RELIEF:** The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the unauthorized use, disclosure, or loss of Confidential Information may cause immediate and irreparable injury to the individuals whose information is disclosed and to the State, which injury shall not be compensable by money damages and for which there is not an adequate remedy available at law. Accordingly, the parties specifically agree that the Department, on its own behalf or on behalf of the affected individuals, shall be entitled to obtain injunctive or other equitable relief to prevent or curtail any such breach, threatened or actual, without posting security and without prejudice to such other rights as may be available under this Contract or under applicable law.

- 25.0 RIGHT TO PUBLISH OR DISCLOSE:** Throughout the term of this Contract, the Contractor must secure the Department's written approval prior to the release of any information which pertains to work or activities covered by this Contract.

The parties agree that it is a breach of this Contract to disclose any information to any person that the Department or its governing boards may not disclose under Wis. Stat. § 40.07. Contractor acknowledges that it will be liable for damage or injury to persons whose Confidential Information is disclosed by any officer, employee, agent, or subcontractor of the Contractor without proper authorization.

- 26.0 TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE:** Timely provision of the Services required under this Contract shall be of the essence of the Contract, including the provisions of the Services within the time agreed or on a date specified herein.

- 27.0 IDENTIFICATION OF KEY PERSONNEL AND PERSONNEL CHANGES:** The Department will designate a contract administrator, who shall have oversight for performance of the Department's obligations under this Contract. The Department shall not change the person designated without prior written notification to the Contractor.

The State of Wisconsin reserves the right to approve all individuals assigned to this project. The Contractor agrees to use its best effort to minimize personnel changes during the Contract term.

At the time of contract negotiations, the Contractor shall furnish the Department with names of all key personnel assigned to perform work under this Contract and furnish the Department with criminal background checks.

The Contractor will designate a contract administrator who shall have executive and administrative oversight for performance of the Contractor's obligations under this Contract. The Contractor shall not change this designation without prior written notice to the Department.

The Contractor may not divert key personnel for any period of time except in accordance with the procedure identified in this section. The Contractor shall provide a notice of proposed diversion or replacement to the single person of contact (SPOC) at least sixty (60) days in advance, together with the name and qualifications of the person(s) who will take the place of the diverted or replaced staff. At least thirty (30) days before the proposed diversion or replacement, the Department shall notify the SPOC whether the proposed diversion or replacement is approved or rejected, and if rejected shall provide reasons for the rejection. Such approval by the Department shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

Replacement staff shall be on-site within two (2) weeks of the departure date of the person being replaced. The Contractor shall provide the Department with reasonable access to any staff diverted by the Contractor.

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Replacement of key personnel shall be with persons of equal ability and qualifications. The Department has the right to conduct separate interviews of proposed replacements for key personnel. The Department shall have the right to approve, in writing, the replacement of key personnel. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. Failure of the Contractor to promptly replace key personnel within thirty (30) Calendar Days after departure shall entitle the Department to terminate this Contract. The notice and justification must include identification of proposed substitute key personnel and must provide sufficient detail to permit evaluation of the impact of the change on the project and/or maintenance.

Any of the Contractor's staff that the Department deems unacceptable shall be promptly and without delay removed by the Contractor from the project and replaced by the Contractor within thirty (30) Calendar Days by another employee with acceptable experience and skills subject to the prior approval of the Department. Such approval by the Department will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

An unauthorized change by the Contractor of any Contracted Personnel designed as key personnel will result in the imposition of liquidated damages, as defined in this Contract.