# AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT EXTENSIONS WITH PUBLIC CONSULTING GROUP, INC. AND PARADIGM HEALTHCARE SERVICES, LLC FOR MEDICAID AND OTHER GOVERNMENT REIMBURSEMENT CLAIMS

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize agreement extensions with Public Consulting Group, Inc ("PCG") and Paradigm Healthcare Services, LLC ("Paradigm"; and together with PCG, each, a "Vendor" and collectively, the "Vendors") for services related to the state and federal reimbursement program. Services will be provided to the Finance Department at a cost for the extension period not to exceed \$600,000. A written document exercising this extension is currently being negotiated for each Vendor. No payment shall be made to any Vendor during the extension period prior to execution of the written document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to the extension is stated below.

Specification Number:

09-250048

Contract Administrator:

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# **VENDOR:**

1) Vendor # 27249
PUBLIC CONSULTING GROUP, INC.
33 NORTH DEARBORN., STE 3
CHICAGO, IL 60602
Stephen Skinner, Principal
312 253-3742

2) Vendor # 11356
PARADIGM HEALTHCARE SERVICES,
LLC
311 CALIFORNIA STREET, SUITE 200
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104
Constance Lafalmme
415 616-0920

## **USER INFORMATION:**

Project

Manager:

12410 - Corporate Accounting

125 South Clark Street 14th Floor

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#### **ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:**

The original agreements (authorized by Board Report 09-1216-PR28) in the aggregate amount of \$4,500,000, each with a term commencing February 1, 2010 and ending January 31, 2013, with the Board having one (1) option to renew for a period of one (1) year. The original agreements were renewed

(authorized by Board Report 12-1219-PR13) in the aggregate amount of \$1,500,000, each with a term commencing February 1, 2013 and ending January 31, 2014 with the Board having zero (0) options to renew remaining; all renewal options have been exercised. The original agreements were awarded on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-2.

#### **EXTENSION PERIOD:**

The term of this agreement is being extended for a term commencing February 1, 2014 and ending July 31, 2014.

## **OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:**

There are no option periods remaining.

#### SCOPE OF SERVICES:

PCG shall continue to provide a valid claims filing system to maximize the reimbursement available for the provision of health and social services to eligible students and to reduce vendor costs. Program funding includes but is not limited to Medicaid and SCHIP, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, Poverty Grant and SNAP Administrative grant. Paradigm shall provide secondary collection services for Medicaid claiming.

#### **DELIVERABLES:**

PCG shall continue to provide the following deliverables: Federal and State policy and procedure expertise and auditing support; assist with Medicaid fee-for-service claiming; develop and implement a TANF claiming management plan that addresses submission of TANF and MOE claims for services delivered to CPS students; process quarterly SNAP administrative outreach claims and generate reports; facilitate collection and analysis of student enrollment data from state agencies to identify under-enrollment in Poverty Grant Programs; and, develop and implement a revenue enhancement plan and legislative policy agenda that structures ideas for increasing CPS' revenue for health and social services through Federal, State and other grant funding.

Paradigm will provide unbilled services analysis and recovery, including analysis of current operation procedures to determine causes for services not being billed and corrective action to reduce number of unbilled services and analyze billed services to ensure claims were properly submitted and optimum reimbursement was received.

### **OUTCOMES:**

PCG services will continue to result in increased reimbursements for healthcare and social services programs; identification of new revenue enhancements to boost the Board's revenues for health and social services; and reduced vendor and administrative costs.

Paradigm's claim recovery services will result in increased Medicaid revenues for services provided to Medicaid eligible students and improved data collection services.

#### **COMPENSATION:**

Each Vendor shall be paid during the extension period as specified in its extension document; total compensation for all Vendors not to exceed the sum of \$600,000 for the extension period.

# **AUTHORIZATION:**

Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written extension document. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the extension document. Authorize the Chief Financial Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate the extension agreement.

#### **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**

This contract is in full compliance with the goals required by the Remedial Program for Goods and Services for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts. The M/WBE participation goals for this agreement are: 25% total MBE and 5% WBE.

Public Consulting Group, Inc. has identified the following:

Total MBE - 25%
Marion Edward Associates, Inc.
4415 W. Harrison Street, Suite 444
Hillside, IL 60162
Contact: Edward Thurman

Total WBE - 5%
BPS Staffing, Inc.
200 N. Lasalle Street, Suite 1900
Chicago, IL 60601
Contact: Tamerra Buckhanan

Paradigm Healthcare Services LLC:

The Waiver Review Committee recommends a full waiver of the M/WBE participation goals be granted because the scope of work for this company's portion of the agreement is not further divisible.

#### LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

#### FINANCIAL:

Fund: 115 Dept. of Finance, 12410 \$600,000, FY14

CFDA#:

Not Applicable

# **GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General - Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts - The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness - The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics - The Board's Ethics Code adopted May 25, 2011 (11-0525-PO2), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability - The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:

SÉBASTIEN de LONGEAUX Chief Procurement Officer Approved:

BARBARA BYRD-BENNETT Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form

JAMES L. BEBLEY General Counsel