

February 3, 2022

Mr. Carson VanZant, Board Chair
Mangum Regional Hospital
1 Wickersham Street
Mangum, OK 73554

We appreciate your selection of **BKD, LLP** as your service provider and are pleased to confirm the arrangements of our engagement in this contract. Within the requirements of our professional standards and any duties owed to the public, regulatory, or other authorities, our goal is to provide you **Unmatched Client Service®**.

In addition to the terms set forth in this contract, including the detailed **Scope of Services**, our engagement is governed by the following, incorporated fully by this reference:

- HIPAA Business Associate Agreement
- Terms and Conditions Addendum

Summary Scope of Services

As described in the attached **Scope of Services**, our services will include the following:

- Preparing the Medicare Cost Report for the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Engagement Fees

We have estimated the time required by our engagement and the fees will be \$14,850. In addition, you will be billed travel costs and fees for services from other professionals, if any, as well as an administrative fee of five (5) percent to cover items such as copies; postage and other delivery charges; supplies; technology-related costs such as software licensing, user access, and research tools; and similar expense items.

Our fees are based upon the understanding that your personnel will be available to assist us.

Our engagement fees do not include any time for inquiries from regulators, including the submission of additional information or response to audit or desk review adjustments, or depositions, testimony, or other services involving such matters. Charges for any such services will be billed separately.

Our pricing for this engagement and our fee structure are based upon the expectation that our invoices will be paid promptly. Payment of our invoices is due upon receipt.

Contract Agreement

Please sign and return this contract to indicate your acknowledgment of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our services including our respective responsibilities.

BKD, LLP

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Acknowledged and agreed to as it relates to the entire contract, including the **Scope of Services**, **HIPAA Business Associate Agreement**, and **Terms and Conditions Addendum**, on behalf of MANGUM REGIONAL HOSPITAL.

By: _____
[Name and Title]

Date: _____

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Scope of Services

The following apply for all services:

Our Responsibilities

We will not make management decisions or perform management responsibilities, the responsibility for which remains with management and the Board of Directors. We will also not perform any of your obligations, nor are we responsible for managing operations of the business.

We will use and rely on information furnished by you, your employees, and representatives. We will not investigate or verify the accuracy or completeness of such information.

Limitations & Fraud

Unless specifically noted within our procedures, this engagement is not designed to prevent or discover errors, misrepresentations, fraud, or illegal acts, and you agree we have no such responsibility.

Because of the limits in any internal control structure, errors, fraud, illegal acts, or instances of noncompliance may occur and not be detected. Also, in the future, procedures could become inadequate because of changes in conditions or deterioration in design or operation. Two or more people may also circumvent controls, or management may override the system.

Our work does not include any services not specifically outlined in this contract.

Responsibility for Outcomes

We may perform additional services for you that are not covered by this contract. You agree to assume full responsibility for the substantive outcomes of the contracted services and for any other services we may provide, including any findings that may result.

You also acknowledge these services are adequate for your purposes, and you will establish and monitor the performance of these services to ensure they meet management's objectives. All decisions involving management responsibilities related to these services will be made by you, and you accept full responsibility for such decisions.

We understand you have designated (or will) a management-level individual to be responsible and accountable for overseeing the performance of these services, and you have determined (or will) this individual is qualified to conduct such oversight.

Opinion

We have not been engaged to provide an opinion with respect to the degree of compliance with your policies and procedures or applicable laws and/or regulations. Also, this engagement is not intended to evaluate the effectiveness of your controls over compliance with Medicare, Medicaid, IRS, or other laws or regulations, or the degree of compliance with those laws or regulations. In addition, management is responsible for advising us of any adverse communications with its regulators or other third parties, including its legal counsel, which may affect compliance with laws and regulations related to our services.

Routine Requests

Regulators, such as Medicare Administrative Contractors, State Medicaid Agencies, and contracted cost report auditors, make routine requests in connection with activities such as cost report and DSH survey and application acceptance, desk reviews, settlements, and interim payment calculations. To facilitate timely responses to these routine requests, by signature on this contract, you have requested that we provide information directly to the regulators. We will notify you of routine requests received directly by us from regulators. Responses to such requests will be billed separately.

Except for the responses to routine requests by regulators, our engagement will not include the submission of documentation to any third parties unless we are separately engaged to do so.

Third-Party Submissions

Our engagement will include submission of the Medicare cost report to Novitas Solutions, Inc. (Novitas) on your behalf. We have your authorization to access and submit your Medicare cost report electronically using the Medicare Cost Report e-Filing (MCReF) portal. We will not make submissions to any other third parties on your behalf unless we are separately engaged to do so.

Additional Costs Related to COVID-19

Our fees do not consider additional efforts related to the SARS-CoV-2 virus and the incidence of COVID-19 environment and the complexities and uncertainties involved with reimbursement reporting related to the various provisions within the new laws and the continued issuance of interpretative and procedural guidance from federal agencies. Such amounts will be billed based on time expended.

Cost Report Preparation

While cost report preparation involves assembly of information in a financial statement format, that information is solely for cost report purposes and should not be used for any other purpose. Management is responsible for the representations contained in the cost reports. That responsibility includes posting any accounting entries determined to be needed as part of the cost report preparation process.

Our engagement is not designed to prevent or detect and cannot be relied upon to prevent or detect fraud, abusive acts, errors, and omissions including, but not limited to:

- Nonallowable costs that you have not identified or that are misclassified or combined in another account
- Insufficient underlying documentation to support the information you have provided to us
- Billing errors, including coding errors, billing for noncovered services, and improper bundling or unbundling of charges
- Insufficient medical records documentation of physician orders, medical necessity of services, or performance of services
- Inappropriate physician arrangements, including payments for referrals or contracts that do not comply with the laws commonly known as the “Stark” or “anti-kickback” laws
- Misstatements that might exist due to fraudulent financial reporting or misappropriation of assets
- Failure to comply with the Medicare and Medicaid conditions of participation
- Failure to comply with the Internal Revenue Code and related regulations
- Related-party costs that you have not disclosed to us

Our timely completion depends on the level and timing of assistance you provide us in accumulating information and responding to our inquiries. Inaccuracies or delays in providing this information or the responses may result in an untimely cost report filing and may also impact our fees.

Cost reports are subject to review by administrative contractors and others with oversight responsibility. Professional judgment is used in resolving questions where the cost report and reimbursement rules and regulations are unclear. You understand that reviewers may choose to interpret rules and regulations in a manner different than that reflected in the cost reports, and reviewers may propose adjustments to your cost reports which could have an adverse effect on your cost report settlements.

Management acknowledges and understands their responsibility for the following:

- Establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting
- Setting the proper tone
- Creating and maintaining a culture of honesty and high ethical standards
- Establishing appropriate controls to prevent, deter, and detect fraud, illegal acts, and noncompliance with laws and regulations
- Submission of the cost report and any related materials to Novitas is your responsibility. You will review the information we submit and will be solely responsible for its accuracy and completeness. You will be responsible for signing the Worksheet S certification page of the Medicare cost report. If you identify any errors or discrepancies in the submissions, it is your responsibility to notify us to discuss resolution options

- Agreeing to assist in establishing BKD as an authorized user to permit access to the cost reporting secure website/online portal. You agree to accept all responsibility for electronic submission of the cost report and supporting documentation. You agree to hold BKD harmless as a result of providing, maintaining, and accessing the MCReF portal on your behalf
- Notifying us timely and, as applicable, providing us copies of any correspondence received by you from regulators regarding the cost report

HIPAA Business Associate Agreement

We agree not to use or disclose Protected Health Information (“PHI”) obtained or produced in any form of media during the course of our work in a manner prohibited by the *Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996* (“HIPAA”), as amended. We may use or disclose PHI for purposes of (a) performing our engagement, (b) management and administration of BKD, or (c) carrying out legal responsibilities of BKD. We will not further disclose information except as permitted or required by this contract or as required by law. When using or disclosing PHI in relation to this engagement, we will limit disclosures as required by HIPAA. We will not use PHI in any marketing activities in a manner that would violate HIPAA. We represent to you that we have implemented what we consider to be appropriate administrative, physical, and technical safeguards to protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of PHI as required for us as a business associate to comply with HIPAA.

With respect to your PHI, we will report to you any breach (as defined in 45 CFR 164.402), material security incident, or use or disclosure not authorized by this agreement and, to the extent practical, assist you in mitigating any harmful effects caused by breaches, material security incidents, or unauthorized uses or disclosures of which we become aware. To assist you in fulfilling your responsibility to notify impacted individuals and others of a breach involving unsecured PHI (as required under 45 CFR 164.400 et seq.), in this report we will identify to you, to the extent reasonably possible:

1. Each individual whose unsecured PHI was subject to the breach.
2. Any other available information you are required to include in your notification to such individual(s) or others under 45 CFR 164.404(c).

We agree that any material violation of these confidentiality provisions by us entitles you to terminate this engagement. Similarly, if we become aware of a violation of HIPAA by you that cannot be or is not timely cured, we may be obligated to terminate this engagement.

BKD agrees to:

1. Upon their request, make available to the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) our internal practices and books and records relating to the use and disclosure of PHI for purposes of determining your compliance with the Security and Privacy Rule, subject to any applicable legal privileges.
2. Make available information necessary for you to make an accounting of disclosures of PHI about an individual.
3. To the extent we maintain information that is part of a Designated Record Set, make available information necessary for you to respond to requests by individuals for access to PHI that is not in your possession but is considered part of a Designated Record Set.
4. Upon receipt of a written request from you, incorporate any amendments or corrections to PHI contained in our workpapers in accordance with the Security and Privacy Rule to the extent such PHI is considered part of a Designated Record Set.

For purposes of this agreement, the term “Security and Privacy Rule” refers to the final rules published to implement the Administrative Simplification provisions of the *Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996*, specifically 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164. The terms “Protected Health

Information" and "Designated Record Set" have the same meaning as defined in the Security and Privacy Rule.

At the conclusion or termination of this engagement, any PHI retained by us will be subject to the same safeguards as for active engagements.

We will obtain from any agents, including subcontractors, to whom we provide PHI received from you, or created or received by us on behalf of you, an agreement to the same restrictions and conditions that apply to us with respect to such PHI.

To the extent that any relevant provision of HIPAA is eliminated or held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the corresponding portion of this agreement shall be deemed of no force and effect for any purpose. To the extent that any relevant provision of HIPAA is materially amended in a manner that changes the obligations of business associates or covered entities that are embodied in term(s) of this engagement, the Parties agree to negotiate in good faith appropriate amendment(s) to this engagement to give effect to such revised obligations. In addition, the terms of this engagement should be construed in light of any interpretation and/or guidance on HIPAA issued by HHS from time to time.

BKD, LLP Terms and Conditions Addendum

GENERAL

- Overview.** This addendum describes **BKD, LLP**'s standard terms and conditions ("Terms and Conditions") applicable to Our provision of services to the Client ("You"). The Terms and Conditions are a part of the contract between You and **BKD, LLP**. For the purposes of the Terms and Conditions, any reference to "Firm," "We," "Us," or "Our" is a reference to **BKD, LLP** ("BKD"), and any reference to "You" or "Your" is a reference to the party or parties that have engaged Us to provide services.

BILLING, PAYMENT, & TERMINATION

- Billing and Payment Terms.** We will bill You for Our professional fees and costs as outlined in Our contract. Payment is due upon receipt of Our billing statement. Interest will be charged on any unpaid balance after 30 days at the rate of 10 percent per annum, or as allowed by law at the earliest date thereafter, and highest applicable rate if less than 10 percent.

We reserve the right to suspend or terminate Our work for this engagement or any other engagement for nonpayment of fees. If Our work is suspended or terminated, You agree that We will not be responsible for Your failure to meet governmental and other deadlines, for any penalties or interest that may be assessed against You resulting from Your failure to meet such deadlines, and for any other damages (including but not limited to consequential, indirect, lost profits, or punitive damages) incurred as a result of the suspension or termination of Our services.

Our fees may increase if Our duties or responsibilities are increased by rulemaking of any regulatory body or any additional new accounting or auditing standards. Our engagement fees do not include any time for post-engagement consultation with Your personnel or third parties, consent letters and related procedures for the use of Our reports in offering documents, inquiries from regulators, or testimony or deposition regarding any subpoena. Charges for such services will be billed separately.

- Billing Records.** If these services are determined to be within the scope and authority of Section 1861(v)(1)(I) of the Social Security Act, We agree to make available to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, or to the U.S. Comptroller General, or any of their duly authorized representatives, such of Our books, documents, and records that are necessary to certify the nature and extent of Our services, until the expiration of four (4) years after the furnishing of these services. This contract allows access to contracts of a similar nature between subcontractors and related organizations of the subcontractor, and to their books, documents, and records.

- Termination.** Either party may terminate these services in good faith at any time for any reason, including Your failure to comply with the terms of Our contract or as We determine professional standards require. Both parties must agree, in writing, to any future modifications or extensions. If services are terminated, You agree to pay BKD for time expended to date. In addition, You will be billed costs and fees for services from other professionals, if any, as well as an administrative fee of four (4) percent to cover items such as copies, postage and other delivery charges, supplies, technology-related costs such as software licensing, user access, and research tools, and similar expense items.

DISPUTES & DISCLAIMERS

- Mediation.** Any dispute arising out of or related to this engagement will, prior to resorting to litigation, be submitted for nonbinding mediation upon written request by either party. Both parties agree to try in good faith to settle the dispute in mediation. Unless the parties agree otherwise, the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") will administer any such mediation in accordance with its Commercial Mediation Rules. The mediator will be selected by agreement of the parties. If We cannot agree, a mediator shall be designated by the AAA. The mediation proceeding shall be confidential. Each party will bear its own costs in the mediation, but the fees and expenses of the mediator will be shared equally.
- Indemnification.** You agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless BKD and any of its partners, principals, shareholders, officers, directors, members, employees, agents, or assigns with respect to any and all claims arising from this engagement, regardless of the nature of the claim, and including the negligence of any party, except to the extent caused by the intentional or willful misconduct of BKD. This provision shall not apply if enforcement is disallowed by applicable law or professional standards.
- Statute of Limitations.** You agree that any claim or legal action arising out of or related to this contract and the services provided hereunder shall be commenced no more than one (1) year from the date of delivery of the work product to You or the termination of the services described herein (whichever is earlier), regardless of any statute of limitations prescribing a longer period of time for commencing such a claim under law. This time limitation shall apply regardless of whether BKD performs other or subsequent services for You. A claim is understood to be a demand for money or services, demand for mediation, or the service of suit based on a breach of this contract or the acts or omissions of BKD in performing the services provided herein. This provision shall not apply if enforcement is disallowed by applicable law or professional standards.
- Waiver of Certain Damages.** In no event shall BKD be liable to You or a third party for any indirect, special, consequential, punitive, or exemplary damages, including but not limited to lost profits, loss of revenue, interruption, loss of use, damage to goodwill or reputation, regardless of whether You were advised of the possibility of such damages, regardless of whether such damages were reasonably foreseeable, and regardless of whether such damages arise under a theory of contract, tort, strict liability, or otherwise.
- Limitation of Liability.** You agree that BKD's liability, if any, arising out of or related to this contract and the services provided hereunder, shall be limited to the amount of the fees paid by You for services rendered under this contract. This limitation shall not apply to the extent it is finally, judicially determined that the liability resulted from the intentional or willful misconduct of BKD. This provision shall not apply if enforcement is disallowed by applicable law or professional standards.
- Severability.** If any portion of this contract is deemed invalid or unenforceable, said finding shall not operate to invalidate the remainder of the terms set forth in this contract.

11. **Assignment.** You acknowledge and agree that the terms and conditions of this contract shall be binding upon and inure to the parties' successors and assigns, subject to applicable laws and regulations.
12. **Disclaimer of Legal or Investment Advice.** Our services do not constitute legal or investment advice. You should seek the advice of legal counsel in such matters. Regulatory authorities may interpret circumstances differently than We do. In addition, the applicable laws, regulations, and regulators' enforcement activities may change over time.

RECORDS, WORKPAPERS, DELIVERABLES, & PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

13. **Maintenance of Records.** You agree to assume full responsibility for maintaining Your original data and records and that BKD has no responsibility to maintain this information. You agree You will not rely on BKD to provide hosting, electronic security, or backup services, *e.g.*, business continuity or disaster recovery services, to You unless separately engaged to do so. You understand that Your access to data, records, and information from BKD's servers, *i.e.*, BKDconnect, can be terminated at any time and You will not rely on using this to host Your data and records.
14. **BKD Workpapers.** Our workpapers and documentation retained in any form of media for this engagement are the property of BKD. We can be compelled to provide information under legal process. In addition, We may be requested by regulatory or enforcement bodies to make certain workpapers available to them pursuant to authority granted by law or regulation. Unless We are prohibited from doing so by law or regulation, BKD will inform You of any such legal process or request. You agree We have no legal responsibility to You in the event We determine We are obligated to provide such documents or information. In addition, You agree to compensate or reimburse BKD for all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, associated with BKD's compliance with requests or demands for its workpapers or other information related to this engagement, and for any testimony required by summons or subpoena.
15. **Use of Deliverables and Drafts.** You agree You will not modify any deliverables or drafts prepared by Us for internal use or for distribution to third parties. You also understand that We may on occasion send You documents marked as draft and understand that those are for Your review purpose only, should not be distributed in any way, and should be destroyed as soon as possible.
16. **Proprietary Information.** You acknowledge that proprietary information, documents, materials, management techniques, and other intellectual property are a material source of the services We perform and were developed prior to Our association with You. Any new forms, software, documents, or intellectual property We develop during this engagement for Your use shall belong to Us, and You shall have the limited right to use them solely within Your business. All reports, templates, manuals, forms, checklists, questionnaires, letters, agreements, and other documents which We make available to You are confidential and proprietary to Us. Neither You, nor any of Your agents, will copy, electronically store, reproduce, or make any such documents available to anyone other than Your personnel. This provision will apply to all materials whether in digital, "hard copy" format, or other medium.

REGULATORY

17. **U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and other Regulatory Bodies.** Where We are providing services either for (a) an entity that is registered with the SEC, (b) an affiliate of such registrant, or (c) an entity or affiliate that is subject to rules, regulations, or standards beyond those of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("AICPA"), any term of this contract that would be prohibited by or impair Our independence under applicable law or regulation shall not apply to the extent necessary only to avoid such prohibition or impairment.
18. **BKD Not a Municipal Advisor.** BKD is not acting as Your municipal advisor under Section 15B of the *Securities Exchange Act of 1934*, as amended. As such, BKD is not recommending any action to You and does not owe You a fiduciary duty with respect to any information or communications regarding municipal financial products or the issuance of municipal securities. You should discuss such matters with internal or external advisors and experts You deem appropriate before acting on any such information or material provided by BKD.

TECHNOLOGY

19. **Electronic Sites.** You agree to notify Us if You desire to place Our report(s), along with other information, such as a report by management or those charged with governance on operations, financial summaries or highlights, financial ratios, etc., on an electronic site. You recognize that We have no responsibility to review information contained in electronic sites.
20. **Electronic Signatures and Counterparts.** This contract and other documents to be delivered pursuant to this contract may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original copy and all of which, when taken together, will be deemed to constitute one and the same agreement or document, and will be effective when counterparts have been signed by each of the parties and delivered to the other parties. Each party agrees that the electronic signatures, whether digital or encrypted, of the parties included in this contract are intended to authenticate this writing and to have the same force and effect as manual signatures. Delivery of a copy of this contract or any other document contemplated hereby, bearing an original manual or electronic signature by facsimile transmission (including a facsimile delivered via the internet), by electronic mail in "portable document format" ("pdf") or similar format intended to preserve the original graphic and pictorial appearance of a document, or through the use of electronic signature software, will have the same effect as physical delivery of the paper document bearing an original signature.
21. **Electronic Data Communication and Storage.** In the interest of facilitating Our services to You, We may send data over the internet, temporarily store electronic data via computer software applications hosted remotely on the internet, or utilize cloud-based storage. Your confidential electronic data may be transmitted or stored using these methods. In using these data communication and storage methods, We employ measures designed to maintain data security. We use reasonable efforts to keep such communications and electronic data secure in accordance with Our obligations under applicable laws, regulations, and professional standards.

You recognize and accept that We have no control over the unauthorized interception or breach of any communications or electronic data once it has been transmitted or if it has been subject to

unauthorized access while stored, notwithstanding all reasonable security measures employed by Us. You consent to Our use of these electronic devices and applications during this engagement.

OTHER MATTERS

22. **Third-Party Service Providers.** BKD may from time to time utilize third-party service providers, *e.g.*, domestic software processors or legal counsel, or disclose confidential information about You to third-party service providers in serving Your account. BKD maintains, however, internal policies, procedures, and safeguards to protect the confidentiality and security of Your information. In addition, BKD will secure confidentiality agreements with all service providers to maintain the confidentiality of Your information. If We are unable to secure an appropriate confidentiality agreement, You will be asked to consent prior to BKD sharing Your confidential information with the third-party service provider.
23. **Independent Contractor.** When providing services to You, We will be functioning as an independent contractor; and in no event will We or any of Our employees be an officer of You, nor will Our relationship be that of joint venturers, partners, employer and employee, principal and agent, or any similar relationship giving rise to a fiduciary duty to You. Decisions regarding management of Your business remain the responsibility of Your personnel at all times.
24. **Hiring of BKD Personnel.** We ask that You respect the employment relationship that Our personnel have with Our firm and to refrain from any employment offers to BKD personnel. However, if You find it necessary to make an offer of employment and if it is accepted, during the term of this engagement and for a period of 18 months after BKD stops providing services, You agree that We will be paid a one-time employment fee equal to 100 percent of the employee's highest annual salary. This fee will be payable prior to Our personnel commencing employment with You.
25. **Use of BKD Name.** Any time You intend to reference BKD's firm name in any manner in any published materials, including on an electronic site, You agree to provide Us with draft materials for review and approval before publishing or posting such information.
26. **Praxity.** BKD is an independent accounting firm allowed to use the name "Praxity" in relation to its practice. BKD is not connected, however, by ownership with any other firm using the name "Praxity." BKD will be solely responsible for all work carried out on Your behalf. In deciding to engage BKD, You acknowledge that We have not represented to You that any other firm using the name "Praxity" will in any way be responsible for Our work.
27. **BKD Status as LLP.** BKD is a registered limited liability partnership under Missouri law. Under applicable professional standards, partners of **BKD, LLP** have the same responsibilities as do partners in a general accounting and consulting partnership with respect to conformance by themselves and other professionals in BKD with their professional and ethical obligations. However, partners in a registered limited liability partnership do not have individual civil liability, directly or indirectly, for any debts, obligations, or liabilities of or chargeable to the registered limited liability partnership or each other, whether arising in tort, contract, or otherwise.
28. **Entire Agreement.** The contract, including this *Terms and Conditions Addendum* and any other attachments or addenda, encompasses the entire agreement between You and BKD and
29. **Force Majeure.** We shall not be held responsible for any failure to fulfill Our obligations if such failure was caused by circumstances beyond Our control.

supersedes all previous understandings and agreements between the parties, whether oral or written. Any modification to the terms of this contract must be made in writing and signed by both You and BKD.