AGREEMENT FOR DENTAL SERVICES

This Agreement is made and entered into by the COUNTY OF VENTURA, a political subdivision of the State of California, hereinafter sometimes referred to as COUNTY, including its Ventura County Health Care Agency (referred to collectively as "AGENCY"), and Armand Begian DDS, Inc. dba Sugar Bug Dental ("CONTRACTOR"), consisting of dentals licensed to practice dentistry in the State of California.

This Agreement shall be effective March 1, 2023, and, subject to receipt of all necessary budgetary approvals by the Ventura County Board of Supervisors, shall be for an initial period of twelve (12) months, that is, until February 29, 2024. Then, unless either party provides written notice of its intent not to renew at least ninety (90) days prior to the annual renewal date, and subject to receipt of all necessary budgetary approvals by the Ventura County Board of Supervisors, this Agreement shall then be extended for up to two (2) additional periods of one (1) year each.

FIRST SERVICES TO BE RENDERED

AGENCY, as owner and operator of a general hospital known as Ventura County Medical Center with campuses in the cities of Ventura and Santa Paula, hereinafter collectively referred to as HOSPITAL, and its clinic system hereinafter referred to as AMBULATORY CARE, hereby contracts for the professional services of CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide professional dental services under the direction of the AMBULATORY CARE Chief Medical Director. CONTRACTOR shall perform said work and functions at all times in strict accordance with currently approved methods and practices of their professional specialty.

CONTRACTOR may contract with or employ other dentist who shall assist CONTRACTOR, and who shall be bound by the terms of this Agreement by way of a subcontract or employment agreement between them and CONTRACTOR. Those who contract, subcontract or who shall so be employed shall hereinafter be referred to as "Participating Dentist," shall be listed in Exhibit "A" to this Agreement, and are subject to prior approval by AGENCY. CONTRACTOR shall provide AGENCY with written notice of changes in the "Participating Dentist."

CONTRACTOR shall have responsibilities as detailed in Attachment I, attached hereto.

SECOND COMPENSATION OF CONTRACTOR

AGENCY shall compensate CONTRACTOR for services rendered to AGENCY under this Agreement as detailed in Attachment II, attached hereto. Upon termination of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall be entitled to compensation earned prior to the date of termination as provided in this Agreement computed pro rata up to and including that date, and CONTRACTOR shall be entitled to no further compensation as of the date of termination. AGENCY shall have no obligation to pay invoices of CONTRACTOR that are not received within thirty (30) days from the date of termination of the Agreement.

THIRD PROPERTY RIGHTS OF THE PARTIES

All inventions, designs, improvements and discoveries made solely and exclusively by CONTRACTOR while providing services under this Agreement which may be patented or copyrighted shall be conclusively presumed by the parties to this Agreement to be the property of CONTRACTOR and AGENCY equally.

FOURTH OBLIGATION OF AGENCY

During the term of this Agreement, AGENCY agrees:

- 1. <u>Insurance</u> to provide professional liability (malpractice) coverage which will cover CONTRACTOR and AGENCY while said dentist is practicing under the supervision of the Medical Director of AMBULATORY CARE, irrespective of the time at which such claim(s) may be filed or settled, and irrespective of the status of CONTRACTOR and AGENCY at said time.
- 2. <u>Space</u> to provide necessary space for the performance of CONTRACTOR's professional duties.
- 3. <u>Supplies</u> to provide reasonable and necessary supplies to the proper operation and conduct of services, and supply ordinary janitorial and in-house messenger service, and such utilities as may be required for the proper operation and conduct of CONTRACTOR's services.
- 4. <u>Support Services</u> to provide reasonably necessary support personnel for the proper operation of dental services provided under this Agreement. AGENCY shall provide for accreditation surveys and quality control and survey programs.
- 5. <u>Billing for Services Rendered</u> to bill and collect for all dental services rendered by CONTRACTOR at any AMBULATORY CARE clinic pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall not bill for such services. CONTRACTOR shall bill and collect for all dental services rendered by CONTRACTOR at HOSPITAL pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

The responsibilities of AGENCY under this Article 4 shall be subject to its discretion and usual purchasing practice, budget limitations and applicable laws and regulations.

FIFTH OBLIGATIONS OF CONTRACTOR

CONTRACTOR agrees to, at all times during the term of this Agreement:

1. <u>Insurance Requirements</u> - at his sole cost and expense, obtain and maintain in full force the following types of insurance:

- a. General Liability "occurrence" coverage in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 combined single limit bodily injury and property damage each occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate, including personal injury, broad form property damage, products/completed operations, broad form blanket contractual and \$100,000 fire legal liability.
- b. 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.

All insurance required will be primary coverage as respects AGENCY and any insurance or selfinsurance maintained by AGENCY will be excess of CONTRACTOR's insurance coverage and will not contribute to it. AGENCY is to be notified immediately if any aggregate insurance limit is exceeded. AGENCY is to be named as additional insured as respects work done by CONTRACTOR under this Agreement. Policies will not be canceled, non-renewed or reduced in scope of coverage unless the COUNTY Risk Management Division has received sixty (60) days prior written notice. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide AGENCY with the following insurance documents on the effective date of this Agreement: (1) certificate of insurance for all required coverage; (2) additional insured endorsements; and (3) waiver of subrogation (a.k.a. waiver of transfer rights of recovery against others, waiver of right to recover from others) as it pertains to Workers' Compensation. Failure to provide these documents will be grounds for immediate termination or suspension of this Agreement.

- 2. <u>License and Staff Membership</u> CONTRACTOR shall keep in full force and effect the unrestricted license of CONTRACTOR as a California dentist with membership in good standing and unrestricted privileges on the Medical Staff of HOSPITAL. CONTRACTOR shall notify the Medical Staff of HOSPITAL immediately of any changes.
- 3. <u>Conduct on Premises</u> CONTRACTOR shall at all times abide by the HOSPITAL's Code of Conduct and comply with Medical Staff bylaws, rules, and regulations and applicable department specific rules and regulations.
- 4. <u>Conduct in Community</u> CONTRACTOR's conduct shall, at all times, be with due regard to public conventions and morals. CONTRACTOR further agrees not to do or commit any acts that will reasonably tend to degrade him or bring him into public hatred, contempt or ridicule, or that will reasonably tend to shock or offend the community, or to prejudice AGENCY or the dental profession in general.
- 5. <u>Return of Equipment and Supplies</u> On the termination of this Agreement or whenever requested by AGENCY, CONTRACTOR shall immediately deliver to AGENCY the equipment and supplies in his possession or under his control belonging to AGENCY in good condition, ordinary wear and tear and damages by any cause beyond the reasonable control of CONTRACTOR excepted.
- 6. <u>Access to Records</u> Until the expiration of four (4) years after the furnishing of the services provided under this Agreement, CONTRACTOR will make available to the Secretary, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and the U.S. Comptroller General, and their

representatives, including the State of California, this Agreement and all books, documents, and records necessary to certify the nature and extent of the cost of these services. If CONTRACTOR carries out the duties of this Agreement through a subcontract worth \$10,000 or more over a 12-month period with a related organization, the subcontract will also contain an access clause to permit access by the Secretary, Comptroller General, and their representatives to the related organization's books and records.

- 7. <u>Restrictions on Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information</u> CONTRACTOR will not use or disclose protected health information other than as permitted or required by this Agreement or as required by law. For the purposes of this Section, "protected health information" means information transmitted or maintained in any medium that (1) relates to the past, present or future physical or mental health condition of an individual, the provision of health care to an individual, or the past, present or future payment for health care, and (2) either identifies the individual or reasonably could identify the individual.
 - a. <u>Permitted Uses and Disclosures</u> CONTRACTOR may use or disclose protected health information only as follows: (1) for the proper management and administration of CONTRACTOR or to carry out the legal responsibilities of CONTRACTOR and (2) to provide data aggregation services to AGENCY. CONTRACTOR will document any disclosures of protected health information not permitted by law.
 - b. Safeguarding Protected Health Information CONTRACTOR will use appropriate safeguards to prevent use or disclosure of protected health information, including electronic protected health information, other than as provided for by this Agreement, including ensuring that any agent, including a subcontractor, to whom he provides protected health information received from, or created or received by, CONTRACTOR on behalf of AGENCY agrees to the same restrictions and conditions that apply through this Agreement to CONTRACTOR with respect to such information. Such safeguards shall include compliance with the requirements of the HIPAA Security Rule (45 C.F.R. part 160 and part 164, subparts A and C), including the administrative, physical, and technical safeguards and documentation requirements set forth in 45 C.F.R. 164.308, 164.310, 164.312, and 164.316. CONTRACTOR shall, within two (2) calendar days of the discovery of such disclosure, report to AGENCY any use or disclosure of protected health information not provided for by this Agreement of which he becomes aware, including any breach of unsecured protected health information, as required by 45 C.F.R. 164.410, and any Security Incident (as defined in 45 C.F.R. 164.304) of which CONTRACTOR becomes aware, and will, to the extent practicable, mitigate any harmful effect that is known to CONTRACTOR of a use or disclosure of protected health information in breach of the requirements of this Agreement. Notification to AGENCY will include the identity of each individual whose protected health information or unsecured protected health information was, or is reasonably believed by CONTRACTOR to have been, accessed, acquired, used or disclosed during the breach. At the termination of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR will return or destroy all protected health information created or received by CONTRACTOR on behalf of AGENCY and retain no copies of such information. If it is not feasible to return or destroy the protected health information, CONTRACTOR shall provide AGENCY

notification of the conditions that make return or destruction infeasible and CONTRACTOR shall extend the protections set forth in Article 5, Section 6 of this Agreement to such protected health information and limit the use and disclosure of the protected health information to those purposes that make return or destruction infeasible. To the extent it later becomes feasible to return or destroy such protected health information, CONTRACTOR shall do so.

- c. <u>Persons or Entities Allowed Access to Records</u> Except as otherwise prohibited by law, CONTRACTOR will allow an individual who is the subject of the protected health information to inspect and obtain a copy of protected health information and to receive an accounting of any disclosures of protected health information by CONTRACTOR occurring six (6) years prior to the date on which the accounting is requested. CONTRACTOR will make protected health information available to AGENCY for inspection, amendment and copying. CONTRACTOR will make his internal practices, books and records relating to the use and disclosure of protected health information available to the Secretary, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, for purposes of determining CONTRACTOR's or AGENCY's compliance with 45 CFR Part 164.
- d. <u>No Remuneration</u> Unless otherwise permitted by law and with the prior written consent of the AGENCY, CONTRACTOR shall not directly or indirectly receive remuneration in exchange for any protected health information concerning an individual unless CONTRACTOR obtains from the individual a valid authorization that includes a specification of whether the protected health information can be further exchanged for remuneration by CONTRACTOR.
- e. CONTRACTOR agrees that to the extent CONTRACTOR is to carry out one or more of AGENCY's obligations under Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164, CONTRACTOR will comply with the requirements of Subpart E that apply to AGENCY in the performance of such obligations.
- 8. <u>Treating Patients</u> CONTRACTOR will provide dental services to patients presented to them by AGENCY regardless of health and financial status. CONTRACTOR recognizes that AGENCY contracts with various insurance plans to provide dental services for plan members, and CONTRACTOR agrees to provide dental care for those patients on the same basis as CONTRACTOR provides dental care to other patients. CONTRACTOR agrees to cooperate with any quality review and improvement program involving AGENCY and a dental insurance plan with whom AGENCY has contracted.
- 9. <u>Dental Services Performance</u> AMBULATORY CARE retains professional and administrative responsibility for the services rendered. CONTRACTOR shall appraise the HOSPITAL and AMBULATORY CARE administration of recommendations for improvement, plans for implementation of such recommendations and continuing assessment of CONTRACTOR performance through dated and signed reports which shall be retained by the administration for follow-up action and evaluation of performance.
- 10. Cooperation with Compliance Efforts of Hospital CONTRACTOR agrees to cooperate with

AGENCY as may be required for HOSPITAL to meet all requirements imposed on it by law or by the rules, regulations and standards of applicable federal, state or local agencies, the standards of the Joint Commission, any other agency that accredits HOSPITAL, and all public and private third-party payers, including, without limitation, Medicare and Medi-Cal. CONTRACTOR has received HOSPITAL's Code of Conduct, agrees to abide by it, and will execute a certification to that effect. CONTRACTOR shall cooperate with all compliancerelated activities of HOSPITAL which includes, without limitation, attending the appropriate compliance training sessions(s) and providing certification of attendance. Failure to adhere to this provision shall be considered a material breach and /or default under this Agreement.

11. <u>Representations and Warranties</u> – CONTRACTOR represents and warrants that CONTRACTOR is not, and during the term of this Agreement shall not be: (a) suspended or excluded from participation in any federal or state health care program, (including, without limitation, Medicare, Medi-Cal, or CHAMPUS/Tricare), or (b) convicted of any criminal offense related to the delivery of any good or service paid for by a federal or state health care program or to the neglect or abuse of patients, or (c) suspended, excluded or sanctioned under any other federal program, including the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

CONTRACTOR shall notify AGENCY immediately if any event occurs which would make the foregoing representations untrue in whole or part. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, AGENCY shall have the right to immediately terminate this Agreement for any breach of any of the foregoing representations and warranties.

12. <u>Billing for Services Rendered</u> – As identified in Article 4, Section 5 of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall bill and collect for all dental services rendered by CONTRACTOR at HOSPITAL pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

SIXTH TERMINATION

- 1. This Agreement shall terminate immediately upon the occurrence of any of the following:
 - a. The failure to cure within thirty (30) days of written notice a breach of duty by CONTRACTOR in the course of providing services under this Agreement.
 - b. The failure to cure within thirty (30) days of written notice any neglect by CONTRACTOR of duties under this Agreement.
 - c. The failure to cure within thirty (30) days of written notice a breach of the obligations of AGENCY to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement.
 - d. The termination or summary suspension of CONTRACTOR's membership and privileges on the Medical Staff of HOSPITAL.
 - e. By mutual consent of AGENCY and CONTRACTOR.

- f. After the initial twelve (12) month period under this Agreement, upon ninety (90) days' notice from either party to the other party, with or without cause.
- g. Upon mutual Agreement by AGENCY and CONTRACTOR that a change in laws or standards has arisen which prohibits or restricts the terms of this Agreement.
- h. Upon AGENCY's determination of a material breach of Article 5, Section 6 of this Agreement by CONTRACTOR.
- 2. Upon the termination of the Agreement for any reason, CONTRACTOR will be responsible for arranging for the smooth transition of duties to appropriate independent contractors and/or employees of HOSPITAL, assuring that patient care retains the highest standards of dental practice and ethics during the transition.
- 3. Upon termination of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR immediately shall deliver to HOSPITAL sole custody and exclusive use of its premises, equipment and supplies.

Termination of this Agreement shall not result in loss of Medical Staff privileges and membership of CONTRACTOR.

SEVENTH GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. <u>No Waiver</u> Failure by either party to insist upon strict performance of each and every term and condition and covenant of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of or a relinquishment of their respective rights to enforce any term, condition or covenant.
- 2. <u>Containment of Entire Agreement Herein</u> This Agreement supersedes any and all other agreements, either oral or in writing, between the parties hereto with respect to CONTRACTOR providing the subject services to AGENCY and contains all the covenants and agreements between the parties with respect to such services in any manner whatsoever. Each party to this Agreement acknowledges that no representations, inducements, promises or agreements, orally or otherwise, other than as set forth herein, have been made by any party or anyone acting on behalf of any party to be charged.
- 3. <u>Notices</u> Notices to be given by either party to the other may be effected either by personal delivery in writing or by mail, registered or certified, with return receipt requested. Mailed notices shall be addressed to AGENCY by addressing and delivering such notices to the AMBULATORY CARE Chief Executive Officer, 800 South Victoria Ave, Ventura, CA 93009, and to CONTRACTOR at the address listed in this Agreement. Each party may change its address by written notice in accordance with this Section. Notices delivered personally shall be deemed communicated as of actual receipt; mailed notices shall be deemed communicated as of two days after mailing.
- 4. <u>Partial Invalidity</u> If any provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall nevertheless continue in full force without being impaired or invalidated in any way.

- 5. <u>Law Governing Agreement</u> This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.
- 6. <u>Compliance with Laws and Regulations</u> All parties to this Agreement shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations. Specifically, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, there is no intention on behalf of AGENCY in connection with this Agreement or otherwise to induce or to influence referrals by or from CONTRACTOR. In dealing with patients and in connection with any patient referrals or HOSPITAL admissions CONTRACTOR may make, CONTRACTOR is expected and required to act in accordance with the highest professional and ethical standards, in accordance with applicable laws, and in the best interests of the patient. Neither the compensation paid pursuant to this Agreement, nor any other consideration or remuneration to CONTRACTOR or otherwise, or to any member of CONTRACTOR's family, currently or in the future, is or will be based on any expectation of referrals, or on CONTRACTOR making or not making referrals to any particular person, entity or facility.
- 7. <u>Preparation of Agreement through Negotiation</u> It is agreed and understood by the parties hereto that this Agreement has been arrived at through negotiation and that neither party is to be deemed to be the party which prepared this Agreement within the meaning of Civil Code section 1654.
- 8. Independent Status of CONTRACTOR In the performance of the work, duties and obligations under this Agreement, it is mutually understood and agreed that CONTRACTOR is at all times acting as an independent contractor. Except as otherwise provided herein, neither AGENCY nor HOSPITAL shall have any control over the method by which CONTRACTOR shall give these services, provided, however, that CONTRACTOR shall perform the obligations and responsibilities hereunder and function at all times in accordance with approved methods of practice and in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by HOSPITAL's Medical Staff. During the term of this Agreement, AGENCY may, without breaching this Agreement or any duty owed to CONTRACTOR, contract with other individuals and entities to render the same or similar services as CONTRACTOR. Further, during the term of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR may, independent of its relationship with AGENCY, and without breaching this Agreement or any duty owed to AGENCY, contract with other individuals and entities to render the same or similar services as are rendered hereunder to AGENCY, provided that such other contract does not interfere with CONTRACTOR's rendering of the services contracted for under this Agreement.
- 9. <u>Subcontracts by CONTRACTOR</u> If in the performance of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR chooses to associate, subcontract with, or employ any third person in carrying out the responsibilities of this Agreement, any such third person shall be entirely and exclusively under the direction, supervision and control of CONTRACTOR. All terms of association, subcontract or employment, including hours, wages, working conditions, discipline, hiring and discharging or any other terms of association, subcontract or employment or requirements of law shall be determined by CONTRACTOR, and AGENCY shall have no right or authority over such persons or the terms of their association, subcontract or employment, except as

provided in this Agreement. Neither CONTRACTOR nor any such person shall have any claim under this Agreement or otherwise against AGENCY for sick leave, vacation pay, retirement benefits, social security, workers' compensation, disability, unemployment insurance benefits or employee benefits of any kind.

- 10. <u>Hold Harmless by CONTRACTOR</u> CONTRACTOR agrees to hold AGENCY harmless from any and all claims that may be made against AGENCY based upon any contention by any third party that an employer-employee relationship exists by reason of this Agreement. AGENCY is not required to make any deductions from the compensation payable to CONTRACTOR under the provisions of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for payment of his income taxes and the state and federal withholdings of his employees. CONTRACTOR does not assign such obligation to the AGENCY for collection or administration except as may be required by federal and state statutes. CONTRACTOR further agrees to hold AGENCY harmless from and to compensate AGENCY for any claims against AGENCY for payment of state or federal income or other tax obligations relating to CONTRACTOR's compensation under the terms of this Agreement. The foregoing hold harmless provisions would not apply with respect to a penalty, if any, imposed by any governmental agency without the fault of, or being caused by, CONTRACTOR.
- 11. <u>Hold Harmless by AGENCY</u> Should CONTRACTOR be sued based upon actions of AGENCY, through no fault of and not due to actions of CONTRACTOR, or of CONTRACTOR's subcontractor, employees, or agents, AGENCY shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless CONTRACTOR, its shareholders, officers, directors, employees, agents, and subcontractors from any loss, cost, damage, expense or liability which may arise from any such suit.
- 12. <u>Provision of Satisfactory Service</u> It is understood and agreed that CONTRACTOR is to assure that the work and services covered by this Agreement shall be performed and rendered in a competent, efficient and satisfactory manner and in accordance with all applicable laws and community standards. Any person acting pursuant to this Agreement must at all times be properly authorized in accordance with the bylaws, rules and regulations promulgated by HOSPITAL's Medical Staff, as applicable, and nothing in this Agreement affects or limits in any way the application or implementation of those bylaws, rules and regulations.
- 13. <u>Dispute Resolution</u> The parties agree that disputes between them as to the interpretation of this Agreement shall be subject to the following procedures:
 - a. The aggrieved party shall notify the other party (i.e., the responding party), in writing in sufficient detail so as to clearly identify the problem(s) giving rise to the dispute. The responding party shall respond to the writing within a reasonable time, or two (2) weeks, whichever is lesser;
 - b. If the dispute involves another department in AGENCY, each of the parties shall consult with the appropriate members of said department and provide for input from said members so as to facilitate a complete discussion and proposed solution(s) of the problem(s);

- c. If the parties are unable to reach a resolution of the problem within a reasonable time, not to exceed sixty (60) days, unless a longer time is agreed to by CONTRACTOR and AGENCY, the matter shall be submitted to a resolution committee comprised of one (1) person from the Medical Executive Committee of the Medical Staff chosen by CONTRACTOR, one (1) person chosen by AGENCY, and a third person mutually chosen by the first two, or if they are unable to agree, a third person designated by the presiding judge of the Ventura County Superior Court;
- d. Each party shall bear its own attorney's fees and legal expenses related to any action involving this Agreement.
- 14. <u>Confidentiality</u> In providing services pursuant to this Agreement, CONTRACTOR may obtain or have access to certain information and/or material which is properly confidential and which has not been publicly released by AGENCY. CONTRACTOR shall maintain confidentiality with respect to all such information and/or material and shall not disclose such information and/or material to any third party other than as necessary in connection with providing services under this Agreement or as may be otherwise legally required. Any disclosure shall be limited to the extent necessary and shall be accompanied by limitations or restrictions to preclude further disclosure and to preserve confidentiality to the extent reasonable and permitted under applicable law.
- 15. <u>Administration of Agreement</u> This Agreement shall be administered on behalf of AGENCY by the AGENCY Director or his designee.
- 16. <u>Documentation by Contractor</u> CONTRACTOR shall prepare and submit via the AGENCY electronic health record system invoices for services, and other documents required by AGENCY and any third party payer, including, but not limited to, Medicare and Medi-Cal, for the remuneration of CONTRACTOR's services within ten (10) days of the provision of the services by CONTRACTOR. Such documentation shall be accurate and legible. CONTRACTOR acknowledges that AGENCY will rely upon this documentation in billing third party payers for their services.
- 17. <u>Use of Terms in this Document</u> Where appropriate in the context, the use of the singular in this Agreement shall be deemed to include the plural, and the use of the masculine shall be deemed to include the feminine and/or the neuter.
- 18. <u>Corporate Status of CONTRACTOR</u> If CONTRACTOR is a corporation, where appropriate in the context, references to "CONTRACTOR" in this Agreement shall be deemed to mean or include CONTRACTOR's dental employee who is to perform the dental services contracted for under this Agreement.
- 19. <u>Counterparts</u> This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto execute this Agreement on the dates written below:

CONTRACTOR:

Dated:_____

By:_____

Tax ID #:_____

CONTRACTOR's Address:

AGENCY:

Dated:_____

By:___

HEALTH CARE AGENCY DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE

EXHIBIT A PARTICIPATING DENTISTS

Provider Name	Provider NPI	Provider full-time equivalent
Armand Begian, DDS	11141458288	75%

Administrative Contact for credentialing and payor enrollment:

Name: Joey Robles

Phone: 805-985-2400

Email: joeyr@sugarbugdental.com

<u>ATTACHMENT I</u> <u>RESPONSIBILITY OF CONTRACTOR</u>

It is mutually agreed that CONTRACTOR shall have the following responsibilities under the direction of the AMBULATORY CARE Chief Executive Officer and AMBULATORY CARE Medical Director.

- 1. CONTRACTOR shall be designated as Chief Dental Officer of AMBULATORY CARE. AGENCY reserves the right to remove and appoint the Chief Dental Officer of AMBULATORY CARE, at its discretion. The Chief Dental Officer of AMBULATORY CARE shall have the following responsibilities:
 - a. Provide consultation and oversight of the following policies and procedures including but not limited to infection control, safety, and sterilization of instruments, as related to the practice of dentistry.
 - b. Develop staff competencies and provide necessary clinical training.
 - c. Develop palette templates and workflows for electronic dental record.
 - d. Coordinate the necessary coverage of dentists.
 - e. Review charts and treatment to ensure quality of care.
 - f. Provide consultation on expansion of services and dental related projects, including community outreach and screenings.
 - g. Lead quality and productivity initiatives.
- 2. CONTRACTOR shall provide outpatient dental services at HOSPITAL and AMBULATORY CARE's clinic site(s). Scheduling of clinics shall be mutually agreed by CONTRACTOR and the AMBULATORY CARE Chief Executive Officer and Medical Director. Scheduling of services provided in HOSPITAL shall be mutually agreed by CONTRACTOR and the HOSPITAL Chief Executive Officer and Medical Director. Services provided shall include:
 - a. Promoting oral health and disease prevention by providing preventive services such as basic dental screenings, recommendations for preventive intervention, oral health hygiene instruction and education, oral prophylaxis, fluoride application and placement of dental sealants.
 - b. Diagnosing and treating oral diseases, injuries, and impairments by interpreting x-rays and diagnostic tests, providing minor restorative treatment.
 - c. Creating treatment plans to maintain or restore the oral health of patients seen.
 - d. Ensuring the safe administration of anesthetics.
 - e. Monitoring growth and development of the teeth and jaws.
- 3. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the policies, rules and regulations of AGENCY subject to the state and federal laws covering the practice of dentistry, and shall comply with all applicable provisions of law relating to licensing and regulations of dentist and hospitals. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all the requirements of the Joint Commission, including but not limited to appropriate clinical practice as detailed in its Core Measures and Patient Safety Goals.
- 4. CONTRACTOR shall assure appropriate membership on the Medical Staff of HOSPITAL,

and coordinate with AGENCY staff to ensure credentialing with third parties is up to date.

5. CONTRACTOR's time will be allocated in approximately the following manner:

Hospital Services	0 %
Patient Services	100 %
Research	0 %
Teaching	0 %
TOTAL	100%

CONTRACTOR will maintain, report, and retain time records, in accordance with the requirements of federal and state laws, as specified by AGENCY. In particular, CONTRACTOR shall report on a monthly basis the specific hours of service provided to AGENCY for a selected one (1) week period during that month. The allocation of CONTRACTOR's time may be modified at any time at the discretion of the AMBULATORY CARE Chief Medical Director.

6. CONTRACTOR agrees to treat patients without regard to the patient's race, ethnicity, religion, national origin, citizenship, age, sex, preexisting medical or dental condition, status or ability to pay for dental services, except to the extent that a circumstance such as age, sex, preexisting dental condition or physical or mental handicap is medically significant to the provision of appropriate dental care to the patient.

By this Agreement, AGENCY contracts for the services of CONTRACTOR as dentist, and CONTRACTOR may not substitute service by another dentist without written approval of AGENCY.

ATTACHMENT II COMPENSATION OF CONTRACTOR

CONTRACTOR shall be paid for all services under this Agreement as follows:

- 1. CONTRACTOR shall be paid the sum of one thousand five hundred (\$1,500) per month for those services pertaining to the assigned duties as the Chief Dental Officer of AMBULATORY CARE as described in Attachment I. CONTRACTOR shall track and prepare a monthly detailed summary of activities performed to include a work log, schedule of days worked, and cases reviewed, as applicable. Details relevant to tasks performed shall be reviewed and approved by the AMBULATORY CARE Chief Executive Officer or AMBULATORY CARE Chief Medical Director on a monthly basis and attached to the monthly invoice. The maximum compensation to be paid under this paragraph is eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000) for any contract year.
- 2. <u>Clinic Coverage</u>: CONTRACTOR shall be paid one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200) per eight (8) hour day for each dentist providing general dental services and one thousand four hundred dollars (\$1,400) per eight (8) hour day for each dentist providing pediatric dental services. Additionally, CONTRACTOR shall be paid fifty dollars (\$50) per patient over twenty (20) patients per day seen by a dentist. The maximum compensation per day per dentist is two thousand one hundred dollars (\$2,100). CONTRACTOR shall track, prepare and attach to the invoice a monthly detailed summary of activities performed to include time spent and numbers of patients seen each day by each dentist. Details relevant to task performed shall be reviewed and approved by the AMBULATORY CARE Chief Executive Officer or AMBULATORY CARE Medical Director on a monthly basis and attached to the monthly invoice. The maximum compensation to be paid under this paragraph is one million sixteen thousand four hundred dollars (\$1,016,400) for the period March 1, 2023 through February 29, 2024, one million three hundred ten thousand four hundred dollars (\$1,310,400) for any subsequent year.
- 3. CONTRACTOR will fulfill CONTRACTOR's responsibilities outlined in Attachment I for fifty-two (52) weeks per year. Days for service may be adjusted due to clinic closures.
- 4. The compensation specified above shall constitute the full and total compensation for all services, including, without limitation, administrative, teaching, research and professional, to be rendered by CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement.
- 5. To receive payments, CONTRACTOR must submit an invoice, within thirty (30) days of provision of service, to the AMBULATORY CARE Chief Operating Officer. The invoice must set forth the date of service, location of service, number of dentists providing services, total number of patients seen by each dentist, detailed description of services, rate, total amounts due for the month, name, address, taxpayer identification number, and signature. Invoices received more than thirty (30) days after the provision of service may be denied by AGENCY as late. AGENCY shall pay the compensation due pursuant to the invoice within thirty (30) days after receipt of a timely invoice.

- 6. If CONTRACTOR is under suspension from the Medical Staff or fails to report on a monthly basis the specific hours of service provided to AGENCY, or if CONTRACTOR has not fully completed the proper documentation of the services provided, according to the bylaws and the rules and regulations of the Medical Staff of HOSPITAL, then monthly payment shall be withheld until the respective suspensions(s) are lifted, the documentation completed, or payment is authorized by the HOSPITAL Chief Executive Officer or HOSPITAL Medical Director. AGENCY shall pay no interest on any payment which has been withheld in this manner.
- 7. AGENCY shall immediately notify CONTRACTOR of the results of any audit where CONTRACTOR has not met the requirements for the compensation. CONTRACTOR may, if possible and appropriate, provide additional documentation or information, which shall be received toward fulfilling any of such requirements.
- 8. Should AGENCY discover an overpayment made to CONTRACTOR, the overpayment amount shall be deducted from future payments due to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement until the full amount is recovered. Should deduction from future payments not be possible, CONTRACTOR shall repay any overpayment not deducted within thirty (30) days of demand by AGENCY.
- 9. The maximum amount to be paid under this Agreement for the period of March 1, 2023 through February 29, 2024 is one million thirty-four thousand four hundred dollars (\$1,034,400) and one million three hundred twenty-eight thousand four hundred dollars (\$1,328,400) per contract year thereafter.