# CORPORATE INTEGRITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE

# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND

CF WATSONVILLE EAST, LLC, AND CF WATSONVILLE, WEST, LLC

#### I. PREAMBLE

CF Watsonville East, LLC, and CF Watsonville West, LLC, and the subsidiaries of CF Watsonville East, LLC and CF Watsonville West, LLC (collectively, Watsonville Facilities) hereby enter into this Corporate Integrity Agreement (CIA) with the Office of Inspector General (OIG) of the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to promote compliance with the statutes, regulations, and written directives of Medicare, Medicaid, and all other Federal health care programs (as defined in 42 U.S.C. § 1320a-7b(f)) (Federal health care program requirements). Contemporaneously with this CIA, Watsonville Facilities are entering into a Settlement Agreement with the United States.

# II. TERM AND SCOPE OF THE CIA

- A. The period of the compliance obligations assumed by Watsonville Facilities under this CIA shall be five years from the effective date of this CIA. The "Effective Date" shall be the date on which the final signatory of this CIA executes this CIA, unless otherwise specified. Each one-year period, beginning with the one-year period following the Effective Date, shall be referred to as a "Reporting Period."
- B. Sections VII, X, and XI shall expire no later than 120 days after OIG's receipt of: (1) Watsonville Facilities' final annual report; or (2) any additional materials submitted by Watsonville Facilities pursuant to OIG's request, whichever is later.

- C. The scope of this CIA shall be governed by the following definitions:
  - 1. "Covered Persons" includes:
    - a. all owners, officers, directors, and employees of Watsonville Facilities; and
    - all Watsonville Facilities contractors, subcontractors, b. agents, and other persons who: (1) are involved directly or indirectly in the delivery of resident care; (2) make assessments of residents that affect treatment decisions or reimbursement; (3) perform billing, coding, audit, or review functions; (4) make decisions or provide oversight over staffing or resident care, reimbursement, policies and procedures, or this CIA; (5) provide management or administrative services to Watsonville Facilities; (6) provide oversight equivalent to or similar to a Board of Directors; or (7) perform any function that is covered by this CIA, including individuals who are responsible for quality assurance, setting policies or procedures, or making staffing decisions.

Any nonemployee private caregivers and/or attending physicians hired by any resident or the family or friends of any resident of Watsonville Facilities are not Covered Persons.

- 2. "Relevant Covered Persons" includes all Covered Persons who: (1) are involved directly or indirectly in the delivery of resident care; (2) make assessments of residents that affect treatment decisions or reimbursement; (3) perform billing, coding, audit, or review functions; (4) make decisions regarding, or provide oversight and/or staffing for resident care, reimbursement, policies and procedures, or this CIA; or (5) perform any function that is covered by this CIA, including without limitation individuals who are responsible for quality assurance, setting policies or procedures, or making staffing decisions.
- 3. "Facility Compliance Liaison" is the compliance representative located at the individual Watsonville facility.

#### III. CORPORATE INTEGRITY OBLIGATIONS

The Watsonville Facilities currently maintain and operate a Compliance Program. The Watsonville Facilities shall maintain a Compliance Program that includes the following elements:

# A. <u>Compliance Responsibilities of Compliance Officer, Compliance</u> Committee, and Board of Directors

Compliance Officer. Within 90 days after the Effective Date, 1. Watsonville Facilities shall appoint a Covered Person to serve as their Compliance Officer for Watsonville Facilities. Watsonville Facilities shall maintain a Compliance Officer for the term of the CIA. The Compliance Officer shall be a member of senior management of Watsonville Facilities, shall report directly to the Chief Executive Officer (or the equivalent) of Watsonville Facilities and, to the extent these officers exist, shall not be or be subordinate to the General Counsel, Chief Financial Officer, or Chief Operating Officer of Watsonville Facilities or to individuals who hold those managerial and operational responsibilities, or have any responsibilities that involve acting in any capacity as legal counsel or supervising legal counsel functions for Watsonville Facilities. The Compliance Officer shall not be the Administrator or Executive Director of either facility. The Compliance Officer shall have sufficient compliance and quality assurance experience to effectively oversee the implementation of the requirements of this CIA. No one who reports to the Compliance Officer, including Facility Compliance Liaisons, may be the Administrator or Executive Director of a facility.

The Compliance Officer shall be responsible for, without limitation:

- a. developing and implementing policies, procedures, and practices designed to ensure compliance with the requirements set forth in this CIA, Federal health care program requirements, and professionally recognized standards of care;
- b. making periodic (at least quarterly) reports regarding compliance matters directly to the Board of Directors of Watsonville Facilities and shall be authorized to report on such matters to the Board of Directors at any time. Written documentation of the Compliance

- Officer's reports to the Board of Directors shall be made available to OIG upon request;
- c. monitoring the day-to-day compliance activities engaged in by Watsonville Facilities and any reporting obligations created under this CIA; and
- c. ensuring that Watsonville Facilities are appropriately identifying and correcting quality of care problems.

Any noncompliance job responsibilities of the Compliance Officer shall be limited and must not interfere with the Compliance Officer's ability to perform the duties outlined in this CIA.

Watsonville Facilities shall report to OIG, in writing, any changes in the identity of the Compliance Officer, or any actions or changes that would affect the Compliance Officer's ability to perform the duties necessary to meet the obligations in this CIA, within five days after such a change.

- 2. Compliance Committee. Within 90 days after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities shall identify or appoint a Quality Assurance Compliance Committee (hereinafter "Compliance Committee") for the Watsonville Facilities.
  - General Responsibilities. The purpose of this a. committee shall be to support the Compliance Officer in fulfilling his/her responsibilities (e.g., developing and implementing policies, procedures, and practices designed to ensure compliance with the requirements set forth in this CIA, Federal health care program requirements, and professionally recognized standards of care; monitoring the day-to-day compliance activities engaged in by Watsonville Facilities; monitoring any reporting obligations created under this CIA; and ensuring that Watsonville Facilities are appropriately identifying and correcting quality of care problems). The Compliance Committee shall, at a minimum, include the Compliance Officer, representatives from among senior personnel responsible for clinical operations and quality of care,

human resources, operations and any other appropriate directors, officers or individuals necessary to thoroughly implement the requirements of this CIA. The Compliance Officer shall chair the Compliance Committee.

The Compliance Committee shall meet, at a minimum, every month. For each scheduled Compliance Committee meeting, senior management of Watsonville Facilities shall report to the Compliance Committee on the adequacy of care being provided by Watsonville Facilities.

Watsonville Facilities shall report to OIG, in writing, any changes in the composition of the Compliance Committee, and any actions or changes that would affect the Compliance Committee's ability to perform the duties necessary to meet the obligations in this CIA, within 15 days after the change.

- b. Staffing Responsibilities. The Compliance Committee shall assess the nursing staffing provided at Watsonville Facilities and make recommendations regarding how to improve such staffing. The Compliance Committee shall consult with nurse managers, RNs, LPNs, and certified nursing aides (CNAs) from each facility and the Independent Monitor required under Section III.D of this CIA regarding staffing at each facility. In consultation with the Independent Monitor required under Section III.D of this CIA, the Compliance Committee shall:
  - i. review the development and implementation of the staffing-related policies and procedures required by Section III.B.2.f of the CIA.
  - ii. assess on an on-going basis whether
    Watsonville Facilities are providing the
    quantity, quality, and composition of nursing

- staff necessary to meet resident needs at each of their facilities;
- iii. make recommendations as to how Watsonville Facilities can improve the quantity, quality, and composition of nursing staff necessary to meet resident needs;
- iv. identify obstacles related to the recruitment, retention, and training of nursing staff at the Watsonville Facilities; and
- v. make recommendations as to how Watsonville Facilities can improve the recruitment, retention, and training of nursing staff.
- c. Quality of Care Review Program. The Compliance Committee shall ensure that, within 120 days after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities establish, implement, or adopt a program for performing internal quality audits and reviews (hereinafter "Quality of Care Review Program"). Through the Quality of Care Review Program, the Compliance Committee shall make findings as to:
  - i. whether the residents at Watsonville Facilities are receiving the quality of care and quality of life consistent with professionally recognized standards of care, 42 C.F.R. Part 483, and any other applicable federal and state statutes, regulations, and directives;
  - ii. whether Watsonville Facilities are effectively reviewing quality of care related incidents and completing root cause analyses; and
  - iii. whether Watsonville Facilities' action plans in response to identified quality of care problems are appropriate, timely, implemented, and enforced.

- d. Quality of Care Dashboard. The Compliance Committee, in consultation with the Independent Monitor required under section III.D. of this CIA, shall create and implement a "Quality of Care Dashboard" ("Dashboard"), which will function as a performance scorecard for Watsonville Facilities. Quality indicator data shall be collected and reported on the Dashboard. Within 120 days after the Effective Date, the Compliance Committee shall: (1) identify and establish the overall quality improvement goals for Watsonville Facilities based on its assessment of Watsonville Facilities' quality of care risk areas; (2) identify and establish the quality indicators related to those goals that Watsonville Facilities will monitor through the Dashboard; and (3) establish performance metrics for each quality indicator. The Compliance Committee shall measure, analyze, and track the performance metrics for the quality indicators on a routine, but no less than quarterly basis, monitoring progress towards the quality improvement goals. At least annually, the Compliance Committee shall review the quality indicators to determine if revisions are appropriate and shall make any necessary revisions based on such review.
- 3. Board of Directors and Board of Directors Compliance Committee. Within 90 days after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities shall create a committee, a committee of the whole or part of their Board of Directors (hereinafter "Board of Directors Compliance Committee").
  - a. Board of Directors. The Watsonville Facilities have appointed, or shall appoint within 90 days after the Effective Date, a joint Board of Directors that will oversee the Watsonville Facilities.
  - b. General Responsibilities of the Board of Directors
    Compliance Committee. The purpose of the Board of
    Directors Compliance Committee shall be to review
    and provide oversight of matters related to Watsonville
    Facilities' compliance with the requirements set forth

in this CIA, Federal health care program requirements, and professionally recognized standards of care. The individuals who serve on the Board of Directors Compliance Committee shall be readily available to the Compliance Officer and the Monitor required under this CIA to respond to any issues or questions that might arise. The Board of Directors Compliance Committee shall, at a minimum:

- i. meet at least quarterly to review and oversee Watsonville Facilities' Compliance Program, including, but not limited to, the performance of the Compliance Officer and the Compliance Committee; such meetings may be held telephonically.
- ii. review the adequacy of Watsonville Facilities' system of internal controls, quality assurance monitoring, and resident care;
- iii. ensure that Watsonville Facilities' response to state, federal, internal, and external reports of quality of care issues is complete, thorough, and resolves the issue(s) identified;
- iv. ensure that Watsonville Facilities adopt and implement policies, procedures, and practices designed to ensure compliance with the requirements set forth in this CIA, Federal health care program requirements, and professionally recognized standards of care; and
- v. review the Dashboard and ensure that
  Watsonville Facilities implement effective
  responses when potential quality problems are
  indicated on the Dashboard or when quality
  indicators show that Watsonville Facilities are
  not meeting their established goals.

Watsonville Facilities shall report to OIG, in writing, any changes in the composition of the Board of

Directors Compliance Committee, or any actions or changes that would affect the Board of Directors Compliance Committee's ability to perform the duties necessary to meet the obligations in this CIA, within 15 days after such a change.

c. Board Resolution. For the Implementation Report required under Section V.A and for each Reporting Period of the CIA, the Board of Directors shall adopt a resolution (consistent with the bylaws or other corporate protocol for adopting resolutions) summarizing the Board of Directors Committee's review and oversight of Watsonville Facilities' compliance with the requirements set forth in this CIA, Federal health care program requirements, and professionally recognized standards of care. Each individual member of the Board of Directors shall sign a statement indicating that he or she agrees with the resolution. At a minimum, the resolution shall include the following language:

"The Board of Directors has made a reasonable inquiry into the operations of Watsonville Facilities'
Compliance Program, including the performance of the Compliance Officer and the Compliance Committee.
The Board of Directors has also provided oversight on quality of care issues. Based on its inquiry and review, the Board of Directors has concluded that, to the best of its knowledge, Watsonville Facilities have implemented an effective Compliance Program to meet the requirements of the CIA the Federal health care programs, and professionally recognized standards of care."

If the Board of Directors is unable to provide such a conclusion in the resolution, the Board of Directors shall include in the written resolution a written explanation of the reasons why it is unable to provide the conclusion and the steps it is taking to ensure that

Watsonville Facilities implement an effective Compliance Program.

With the resolution, the Board of Directors shall submit to the OIG a description of the documents and other materials it reviewed, as well as any additional steps taken, such as the engagement of an independent advisor or other third party resources, in its oversight of the compliance program and in support of making the resolution above during each Reporting Period.

#### B. Written Standards

- 1. Code of Conduct. The Watsonville Facilities currently maintain a Code of Conduct. Within 90 days after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities shall revise, as necessary to comply with Section III.B.1, and distribute their current or a new written Code of Conduct to all Covered Persons. Watsonville Facilities shall make the promotion of, and adherence to, the Code of Conduct an element in evaluating the performance of all employees. The Code of Conduct shall, at a minimum, set forth:
  - a. Watsonville Facilities' commitment to full compliance with all Federal health care program requirements, including their commitment to prepare and submit accurate claims consistent with such requirements;
  - b. Watsonville Facilities' requirement that all of their Covered Persons shall be expected to comply with all Federal health care program requirements and with Watsonville Facilities' own Policies and Procedures as implemented pursuant to Section III.B (including the requirements of this CIA);
  - c. the requirement that all of Watsonville Facilities'
    Covered Persons shall be expected to report to the
    Compliance Officer, or other appropriate individual
    designated by Watsonville Facilities, suspected
    violations of any Federal health care program
    requirements or of Watsonville Facilities' own Policies
    and Procedures;

- d. the requirement that all of Watsonville Facilities'
  Covered Persons shall immediately report to the
  Compliance Officer, or other appropriate individual
  designated by Watsonville Facilities, credible
  allegations of resident harm and such report shall be
  complete, full, and honest;
- e. the possible consequences to both Watsonville
  Facilities and Covered Persons of failure to comply
  with Federal health care program requirements and
  with Watsonville Facilities' own Policies and
  Procedures and the failure to report such
  noncompliance; and
- f. the right of all individuals to use the Disclosure Program described in Section III.E, and Watsonville Facilities' commitment to non-retaliation and to maintain, as appropriate, confidentiality and anonymity with respect to such disclosures.

Watsonville Facilities shall review the Code of Conduct at least annually to determine if revisions are appropriate and shall make any necessary revisions based on such review. The Code of Conduct shall be distributed at least annually to all Covered Persons.

- 2. Policies and Procedures. Within 90 days after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities shall review their current policies and procedures and, if necessary, develop and implement new or additional written Policies and Procedures regarding the operation of Watsonville Facilities' compliance program, including the compliance program requirements outlined in this CIA and Watsonville Facilities' compliance with Federal health care program requirements. At a minimum, the Policies and Procedures shall address:
  - a. the compliance program requirements outlined in this CIA;
  - b. the requirements applicable to Medicare's Prospective Payment System (PPS) for skilled nursing facilities, including, but not limited to: ensuring the accuracy of

the clinical data required under the Minimum Data Set (MDS) as specified by the Resident Assessment Instrument User's Manual; ensuring that Watsonville Facilities are appropriately and accurately using the current Resource Utilization Groups (RUG) classification system; and ensuring the accuracy of billing and cost report preparation policies and procedures;

- c. compliance with the completion of accurate clinical assessments as required by applicable Federal law, which shall include: (1) that all resident care information be recorded in ink or permanent print; (2) that corrections shall only be made in accordance with accepted health information management standards; (3) that erasures shall not be allowable; and (4) that clinical records may not be rewritten or destroyed to hide or otherwise make a prior entry unreadable or inaccessible;
- d. compliance with Titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 1395-1395kkk-1 and 1396-1396w-5, and all regulations, directives, and guidelines promulgated pursuant to these statutes, including, but not limited to, 42 C.F.R. Parts 424 and 483, and any other state or local statutes, regulations, directives, or guidelines that address quality of care in nursing homes, as well as professionally recognized standards of health care;
- e. the coordinated interdisciplinary approach to providing care, including but not limited to the following areas addressed in 42 C.F.R. § 483:
  - i. resident rights;
  - ii. admission, transfer, and discharge rights;
  - iii. resident behavior and facility practices;
  - iv. quality of life;
  - v. resident assessment;
  - vi. quality of care;

- vii. nursing services;
- viii. dietary services;
- ix. physician services;
- x. specialized rehabilitative services;
- xi. dental services;
- xii. pharmacy services;
- xiii. infection control;
- xiv. physical environment; and
- xv. administration.
- f. staffing, including, but not limited to:
  - i. ensuring that nursing staff levels are sufficient to meet residents' needs, as required by Federal and state laws, including, but not limited to, 42 C.F.R. § 483.30 (nursing services);
  - ii. specifying that, if the Director of Nursing (or other person who is making staffing decisions) believes that a staffing determination made by the Administrator (or designee) is not in compliance with state or Federal regulations or the CIA and significantly affects resident care, and is unable to resolve the issue through the normal chain of responsibility, then that person must immediately utilize the mechanism provided in Watsonville Facilities' Disclosure Program (described in Section III.E of this CIA) and notify the Monitor required under Section III.D of this CIA. Nothing in this subsection prohibits or prevents such person from using the Disclosure Program or contacting the Monitor without first going through the normal chain of responsibility;
  - iii. ensuring that Covered Persons are informed of the staffing requirements of Federal and state law, that staffing levels are a critical aspect of resident care, and that, if any person has a concern about the level of staffing, there are many avenues available to report such concerns,

including, but not limited to normal reporting channels, the Administrator, the Disclosure Program (as described in Section III.E of this CIA), or directly to the Compliance Officer or Monitor; and

iv. minimizing the number of individuals working on a temporary assignment or not employed by Watsonville Facilities and using measures designed to create and maintain a standardized system to track the number of individuals who fall within this category so that the number/proportion of or changing trends in such staff can be adequately identified by Watsonville Facilities or the Monitor.

Throughout the term of this CIA, Watsonville Facilities shall enforce and comply with their Policies and Procedures and shall make compliance therewith an element of evaluating the performance of all employees.

Within 90 days after the Effective Date, the relevant portions of the Policies and Procedures shall be distributed to all Covered Persons whose job functions relate to those Policies and Procedures. Appropriate and knowledgeable staff shall be available to explain the Policies and Procedures. The Policies and Procedures shall be available to OIG upon request.

At least annually (and more frequently, if appropriate), Watsonville Facilities shall assess and update, as necessary, the Policies and Procedures. Within 30 days after the effective date of any revisions or addition of new Policies and Procedures, a description of the revisions shall be communicated to all affected Covered Persons and any revised or new Policies and Procedures shall be made available to all Covered Persons.

## C. <u>Training and Education</u>

- 1. General Compliance Training. Within 110 days after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities shall provide at least two hours of General Compliance Training to each Covered Person. This training, at a minimum, shall explain Watsonville Facilities':
  - a. CIA requirements; and
  - b. Compliance Program aspects (including the Code of Conduct and the Policies and Procedures as they pertain to general compliance issues).

New Covered Persons shall receive the General Compliance Training described above within 30 days after becoming a Covered Person or within 110 days after the Effective Date, whichever is later. After receiving the initial General Compliance Training described above, each Covered Person shall receive at least one hour of General Compliance Training in each subsequent Reporting Period.

- 2. Specific Compliance Training. Within 90 days after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities shall initiate the provision of Specific Compliance Training to each Relevant Covered Person. Within the first Reporting Period, each Relevant Covered Person shall receive at least eight hours of Specific Training pertinent to their responsibilities in addition to the General Compliance Training required above. This Specific Compliance Training shall include a discussion of:
  - a. policies, procedures, and other requirements applicable to the documentation of medical records;
  - b. the policies implemented pursuant to Section III.B.2 of this CIA, as appropriate for the job category of each Relevant Covered Person;
  - c. the personal obligation of each individual involved in resident care to ensure that care is appropriate and meets professionally recognized standards of care;
  - d. examples of proper and improper care; and

e. legal sanctions for violations of the Federal health care program requirements.

New Relevant Covered Persons shall begin receiving this training within 10 days after the start of their employment or contract (or becoming Relevant Covered Persons) or within 90 days after the Effective Date, whichever is later.

After receiving the initial Specific Compliance Training described in this section, each Relevant Covered Person shall receive at least eight hours of Specific Compliance Training, in addition to the General Compliance Training, in each subsequent Reporting Period.

- 3. Periodic Compliance Training. In addition to the General Compliance Training and the Specific Compliance Training described above, Watsonville Facilities shall provide four hours of Periodic Compliance Training to all Relevant Covered Persons annually on the quality of care issues identified by the Compliance Committee. In determining what training should be performed, the Compliance Committee shall review the complaints received, satisfaction surveys, staff turnover data, any state or federal surveys, including those performed by CMS and its agents, the Joint Commission or other such private agencies, any internal surveys, the CMS quality indicators, and the findings, reports, and recommendations of the Monitor required under Section III.D of this CIA.
- 4. Competency Based Training. All Specific and Periodic Compliance Training required in this section shall be competency-based. Specifically, the training must be developed and provided in such a way as to focus on Relevant Covered Persons achieving learning outcomes to a specified competency and to place emphasis on what a Relevant Covered Person has learned as a result of the training.
- 5. Board Member Training. Within 90 days after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities shall provide at least two hours of Board Member Training to each member of the Board of Directors, in addition to the General Compliance Training. This training shall address the responsibilities of board members and corporate governance.

New members of the Board of Directors shall receive the Board Member Training described above within 30 days after becoming a member or within 90 days after the Effective Date, whichever is later.

- 6. Certification. Each individual who is required to attend training shall certify, in writing that he or she has received the required training. The certification shall specify the type of training received and the date received. The Compliance Officer (or designee) shall retain the certifications, along with all course materials and documentation evidencing that the individual attained competency in the required training areas. These documents shall be made available to OIG, upon request.
- 7. Qualifications of Trainers. Persons providing the training shall be knowledgeable about the subject area. Persons providing Specific Compliance Training to Relevant Covered Persons shall be knowledgeable in providing competency-based training and evaluating competency.
- 8. *Update of Training*. Watsonville Facilities shall review the training programs annually, and, where appropriate, update the training programs to reflect changes in Federal health care program requirements, any issues discovered during internal audits or by the Independent Monitor, and any other relevant information.

# D. <u>Independent Monitor</u>

Within 60 days after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities shall retain an appropriately qualified monitoring team (the "Monitor") selected by OIG. The Monitor may retain additional personnel, including, but not limited to, independent consultants, if needed to help meet the Monitor's obligations under this CIA. The Monitor may confer and correspond with Watsonville Facilities or OIG individually or in combination. The Monitor and Watsonville Facilities shall not negotiate or enter into a financial relationship, other than the monitoring engagement required by this CIA, until after the date of OIG's CIA closure letter to Watsonville Facilities or six months after the expiration of this CIA, whichever is later.

The Monitor is not an agent of OIG. However, the Monitor may be removed by OIG at its sole discretion. If the Monitor resigns or is removed for any other reasons prior to the termination of the CIA, Watsonville Facilities shall

retain, within 60 days of the resignation or removal, another Monitor selected by OIG, with the same functions and authorities.

- 1. Scope of Review. The Monitor shall be responsible for assessing the effectiveness, reliability, and thoroughness of the following:
  - a. Watsonville Facilities' internal quality control systems, including, but not limited to:
    - i. whether the systems in place to promote quality of care and to respond to quality of care issues are operating in a timely and effective manner;
    - ii. whether the communication system is effective, allowing for accurate information, decisions, and results of decisions to be transmitted to the proper individuals in a timely fashion; and
    - iii. whether the training programs are effective, thorough, and competency-based.
  - b. Watsonville Facilities' response to quality of care issues, which shall include an assessment of:
    - i. Watsonville Facilities' ability to identify the problem;
    - ii. Watsonville Facilities' ability to determine the scope of the problem, including, but not limited to, whether the problem is isolated or systemic;
    - iii. Watsonville Facilities' ability to conduct a root cause analysis;
    - iv. Watsonville Facilities' ability to create an action plan to respond effectively to the problem;
    - v. Watsonville Facilities' ability to execute the action plan; and

- vi. Watsonville Facilities' ability to monitor and evaluate whether the assessment, action plan, and execution of that plan was effective, reliable, and thorough.
- c. Watsonville Facilities' proactive steps to ensure that each resident receives care in accordance with:
  - i. professionally recognized standards of health care;
  - ii. the rules and regulations set forth in 42 C.F.R. Part 483;
  - iii. State and local statutes, regulations, and other directives or guidelines; and
  - iv. the Policies and Procedures adopted by Watsonville Facilities including those implemented under Section III.B of this CIA;
- d. Watsonville Facilities' staffing and compliance with staffing requirements;
- e. Watsonville Facilities' ability to analyze outcome measures, such as the CMS Quality Indicators, and other data;
- f. Watsonville Facilities' Quality of Care Review Program as required under Section III.A.2.c; and
- g. Watsonville Facilities' Quality of Care Dashboard required under section III.A.2.d of this CIA.
- 2. Access. The Monitor shall have:
  - a. immediate access to Watsonville Facilities, at any time and without prior notice, to assess compliance with this CIA, to assess the effectiveness of the internal

quality assurance mechanisms, and to ensure that the data being generated is accurate;

- b. immediate access to:
  - i. the CMS quality indicators;
  - ii. internal or external surveys or reports;
  - iii. Disclosure Program complaints;
  - iv. resident satisfaction surveys;
  - v. staffing data in the format requested by the Monitor, including reports detailing when more than 10 percent of Watsonville Facilities' staff are hired on a temporary basis;
  - vi. reports of abuse, neglect, or an incident that required hospitalization or emergency room treatment;
  - vii. reports of any falls;
  - viii. reports of any incident involving a resident that prompts a full internal investigation;
  - ix. resident records;
  - x. documents in the possession or control of any quality assurance committee, peer review committee, medical review committee, or other such committee; and
  - xi. any other data in the format the Monitor determines relevant to fulfilling the duties required under this CIA;
- c. immediate access to residents, and Covered Persons for interviews outside the presence of Watsonville

Facilities' supervisory staff or counsel, provided such interviews are conducted in accordance with all applicable laws and the rights of such individuals. The Monitor shall give full consideration to an individual's clinical condition before interviewing a resident.

- 3. Baseline Systems Assessment. Within 60 days after the Monitor is retained by Watsonville Facilities or 180 days after the Effective Date of the CIA, whichever is later, the Monitor shall:
  - a. complete an assessment of the effectiveness, reliability, scope, and thoroughness of the systems described in Section III.D.1;
  - b. in conducting this assessment, visit Watsonville
    Facilities' facilities and, at a minimum, observe quality
    assurance meetings, observe corporate compliance
    meetings, observe care planning meetings, observe
    Board of Directors Committee meetings, interview key
    employees, review relevant documents, and observe
    resident care; and
  - c. submit a written report to Watsonville Facilities and OIG that sets forth, at a minimum:
    - i. a summary of the Monitor's activities in conducting the assessment;
    - ii. the Monitor's findings regarding the effectiveness, reliability, scope, and thoroughness of each of the systems described in Section III.D.1; and
    - iii. the Monitor's recommendations to Watsonville Facilities as to how to improve the effectiveness, reliability, scope, and thoroughness of the systems described in Section III.D.1.

- 4. *Systems Improvements Assessments*. On a semi-annual basis, the Monitor shall:
  - a. re-assess the effectiveness, reliability, and thoroughness of the systems described in Section III.D.1;
  - b. assess Watsonville Facilities' response to recommendations made in prior written assessment reports;
  - c. in conducting these assessments, visit Watsonville
    Facilities' facilities and, at a minimum, observe quality
    assurance meetings, observe corporate compliance
    meetings, observe care planning meetings, observe
    Board of Directors Committee meetings, interview key
    employees, review relevant documents, and observe
    resident care (the Monitor may also want to have
    regular telephone calls with Watsonville Facilities and
    any of their poorer performing facilities); and
  - b. submit a written report to Watsonville Facilities and OIG that sets forth, at a minimum:
    - i. a summary of the Monitor's activities in conducting the assessment;
    - ii. the Monitor's findings regarding the effectiveness, reliability, scope, and thoroughness of each of the systems described in Section III.D.1;
    - iii. the Monitor's recommendations to Watsonville Facilities as to how to improve the effectiveness, reliability, scope, and thoroughness of the systems described in Section III.D.1; and

iv. the Monitor's assessment of Watsonville Facilities' response to the Monitor's prior recommendations.

The Monitor shall perform assessments for each semi-annual period after the Baseline Systems Assessment. The Monitor shall submit written reports no later than 30 days after the end of the relevant review period to Watsonville Facilities and OIG.

5. Financial Obligations of Watsonville Facilities and the Monitor.

- a. Watsonville Facilities shall be responsible for all reasonable costs incurred by the Monitor in connection with this engagement, including, but not limited to, labor costs (direct and indirect); consultant and subcontract costs; materials cost (direct and indirect); and other direct costs (travel, other miscellaneous).
- b. Watsonville Facilities shall pay the Monitor's bills within 30 days of receipt. Failure to pay the Monitor within 30 calendar days of submission of the Monitor's invoice for services previously rendered shall constitute a basis to impose stipulated penalties or exclude Watsonville Facilities, as provided under Section X of the CIA. While Watsonville Facilities must pay all of the Monitor's bills within 30 days, Watsonville Facilities may bring any disputed Monitor's costs or bills to OIG's attention.
- c. The Monitor shall charge a reasonable amount for its fees and expenses, and shall submit monthly invoices to Watsonville Facilities with a reasonable level of detail reflecting all key category costs billed.
- d. The Monitor shall submit a written report for each Reporting Period representing an accounting of its costs throughout the year to Watsonville Facilities and to OIG by the submission deadline of Watsonville Facilities' Annual Report. This report shall reflect, on

- a cumulative basis, all key category costs included on monthly invoices.
- 6. Additional Watsonville Facilities Obligations. Watsonville Facilities shall:
  - a. shall provide to the Monitor the MDS Quality
    Indicator data within five days after receipt of a written
    request for that data from the Monitor;
  - b. within 30 days after receipt of each written report of the Baseline Systems Assessment or Systems Improvement Assessments, submit a written response to OIG and the Monitor to each recommendation contained in those reports stating what action Watsonville Facilities took in response to each recommendation or why Watsonville Facilities have elected not to take action based on the recommendation;
  - c. provide the Monitor a report monthly, or sooner if requested by the Monitor, regarding each of the following occurrences:
    - i. Deaths or injuries related to use of restraints;
    - ii. Deaths or injuries related to use of psychotropic medications;
    - iii. Suicides;
    - iv. Deaths or injuries related to abuse or neglect (as defined in the applicable federal guidelines);
    - v. Fires, storm damage, flooding, or major equipment failures that poses a threat to residents or otherwise may disrupt the care provided at Watsonville Facilities;

- vi. Strikes or other work actions that could affect resident care;
- vii. Man-made disasters that pose a threat to residents (e.g., toxic waste spills); and
- viii. Any other incident that involves or causes actual harm to a resident when such incident is required to be reported to any local, state, or federal government agency.

Each such report shall contain, if applicable, the full name, social security number, and date of birth of the residents(s) involved, the date of death or incident, and a brief description of the events surrounding the death or incident.

- d. provide to their Compliance Committee and Board of Directors Committee copies of all documents and reports provided to the Monitor;
- e. ensure the Monitor's immediate access to the facility, residents, Covered Persons, and documents, and assist in obtaining full cooperation by their current employees, contractors, and agents;
- f. provide access to current residents and provide contact information for their families and guardians consistent with the rights of such individuals under state or federal law, and not impede their cooperation with the Monitor;
- g. assist in locating and, if requested, attempt to obtain cooperation from past employees, contractors, agents, and residents and their families;
- h. provide the last known contact information for former residents, their families, or guardians consistent with the rights of such individuals under state or federal law, and not impede their cooperation; and

- i. not sue or otherwise bring any action against the Monitor related to any findings made by the Monitor or related to any exclusion or other sanction of Watsonville Facilities under this CIA; provided, however, that this clause shall not apply to any suit or other action based solely on the dishonest or illegal acts of the Monitor, whether acting alone or in collusion with others.
- 7. Additional Monitor Obligations. The Monitor and all the Monitor's agents, employees, and consultants shall:
  - a. abide by all state and federal laws and regulations concerning the privacy, dignity, and employee rights of all Covered Persons, and residents;
  - b. abide by the legal requirements of Watsonville
    Facilities to maintain the confidentiality of each
    resident's personal and clinical records. Nothing in
    this subsection, however, shall limit or affect the
    Monitor's obligation to provide information, including
    information from resident clinical records, to OIG,
    and, when legally or professionally required, to other
    agencies;
  - c. at all times act reasonably in connection with its duties under the CIA including when requesting information from Watsonville Facilities;
  - d. if the Monitor has concerns about action plans that are not being enforced or systemic problems that could affect Watsonville Facilities' ability to render quality care to their residents, then the Monitor shall:
    - i. report such concerns in writing to OIG; and
    - ii. simultaneously provide notice and a copy of the report to Watsonville Facilities' Compliance

Committee and Board of Directors referred to in Section III.A of this CIA;

- e. where independently required to do so by applicable law or professional licensing standards, report any finding to an appropriate regulatory or law enforcement authority, and simultaneously submit copies of such reports to OIG and to Watsonville Facilities;
- f. not be bound by any other private or governmental agency's findings or conclusions, including, but not limited to, Joint Commission, CMS, or the state survey agency. Likewise, such private and governmental agencies shall not be bound by the Monitor's findings or conclusions. The Monitor's reports shall not be the sole basis for determining deficiencies by the state survey agencies. The parties agree that CMS and its contractors shall not introduce any material generated by the Monitor, or any opinions, testimony, or conclusions from the Monitor as evidence into any proceeding involving a Medicare or Medicaid survey, certification, or other enforcement action against Watsonville Facilities, and Watsonville Facilities shall similarly be restricted from using material generated by the Monitor, or any opinions, testimony, or conclusions from the Monitor as evidence in any of these proceedings. Nothing in the previous sentence, however, shall preclude OIG or Watsonville Facilities from using any material generated by the Monitor, or any opinions, testimony, or conclusions from the Monitor in any action under the CIA or pursuant to any other OIG authorities or in any other situations not explicitly excluded in this subsection;
- g. abide by the provisions of the Health Insurance
  Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996 to
  the extent required by law including, without
  limitation, entering into a business associate agreement
  with Watsonville Facilities; and

h. except to the extent required by law, maintain the confidentiality of any proprietary financial and operational information, processes, procedures, and forms obtained in connection with its duties under this CIA and not comment publicly concerning its findings except to the extent authorized by OIG.

# E. <u>Disclosure Program</u>

Watsonville Facilities currently operates a hotline under their Compliance Plan consistent with OIG standards ("Disclosure Program"). Within 90 days after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities shall establish, to the extent not already existing a Disclosure Program that includes a mechanism (e.g., a toll-free compliance telephone line) to enable individuals to disclose, to the Compliance Officer or some other person who is not in the disclosing individual's chain of command, any identified issues or questions associated with Watsonville Facilities' policies, conduct, practices, or procedures with respect to quality of care or a Federal health care program believed by the individual to be a potential violation of criminal, civil, or administrative law. Watsonville Facilities shall appropriately publicize the existence of the disclosure mechanism (e.g., via periodic e-mails to employees or by posting the information in prominent common areas).

The Disclosure Program shall emphasize a non-retribution, non-retaliation policy, and shall include a reporting mechanism for anonymous communications for which appropriate confidentiality shall be maintained. Upon receipt of a qualifying disclosure, the Compliance Officer (or designee) shall gather all relevant information from the disclosing individual. If the disclosure qualifies, the Compliance Officer (or designee) shall make a preliminary, good faith inquiry into the allegations set forth in the disclosure to ensure that he or she has obtained all of the information necessary to determine whether a further review should be conducted. For any disclosure that is sufficiently specific so that it reasonably: (1) permits a determination of the appropriateness of the alleged improper conduct or practice; and (2) provides an opportunity for taking corrective action, Watsonville Facilities shall conduct an internal review of the allegations set forth in the disclosure and ensure that corrective action is taken and proper follow-up is conducted. If the inappropriate or improper conduct or practices places residents at risk of harm, then Watsonville Facilities will ensure that the conduct or practice ceases immediately and that appropriate action is taken.

The Compliance Officer (or designee) shall maintain a disclosure log, and shall record each disclosure in the disclosure log within 48 hours of receipt of the disclosure, including disclosures that do not qualify for action under the Disclosure Program. The disclosure log shall include a summary of each disclosure received (whether anonymous or not, or qualifying or not), the status of the respective internal reviews, and any corrective action taken in response to the internal reviews. If the Compliance Officer concludes that a disclosure does not qualify for consideration under this section, this shall be noted and the disqualification of the disclosure recommended. The disclosure log shall be sent to the Monitor not less than monthly.

# F. <u>Ineligible Persons</u>

- 1. *Definitions*. For purposes of this CIA:
  - a. an "Ineligible Person" shall include an individual or entity who:
    - i. is currently excluded, debarred, or suspended from participation in the Federal health care programs or in Federal procurement or non-procurement programs; or
    - ii. has been convicted of a criminal offense that falls within the scope of 42 U.S.C. § 1320a-7(a), but has not yet been excluded, debarred, or suspended.
  - b. "Exclusion Lists" include:
    - i. the HHS/OIG List of Excluded Individuals/Entities (available through the Internet at <a href="http://www.oig.hhs.gov">http://www.oig.hhs.gov</a>); and
    - ii. the General Services Administration's System for Award Management (available through the Internet at <a href="http://www.sam.gov">http://www.sam.gov</a>).

- 2. Screening Requirements. Watsonville Facilities shall ensure that all prospective and current Covered Persons are not Ineligible Persons, by implementing the following screening requirements.
  - a. Watsonville Facilities shall screen all prospective Covered Persons against the Exclusion Lists prior to engaging their services and, as part of the hiring or contracting process, shall require such Covered Persons to disclose whether they are Ineligible Persons.
  - b. Watsonville Facilities shall screen all Covered Persons against the Exclusion Lists within 90 days after the Effective Date and on a monthly basis thereafter.
  - c. Watsonville Facilities shall implement a policy requiring all Covered Persons to disclose immediately any debarment, exclusion, or suspension.

Nothing in Section III.F affects Watsonville Facilities' responsibility to refrain from (and liability for) billing Federal health care programs for items or services furnished, ordered, or prescribed by excluded persons. Watsonville Facilities understand that items or services furnished, ordered, or prescribed by excluded persons are not payable by Federal health care programs and that Watsonville Facilities may be liable for overpayments and/or criminal, civil, and administrative sanctions for employing or contracting with an excluded person regardless of whether Watsonville Facilities meet the requirements of Section III.F.

3. Removal Requirement. If Watsonville Facilities have actual notice that a Covered Person has become an Ineligible Person, Watsonville Facilities shall remove such Covered Person from responsibility for, or involvement with, Watsonville Facilities' business operations related to the Federal health care programs and shall remove such Covered Person from any position for which the Covered Person's compensation or the items or services furnished, ordered, or prescribed by the Covered Person are paid in whole or part, directly or indirectly, by Federal health care programs or otherwise with Federal funds at least until such time as the Covered Person is reinstated into participation in the Federal health care programs.

4. Pending Charges and Proposed Exclusions. If Watsonville Facilities have actual notice that a Covered Person has been charged with a criminal offense that falls within the scope of 42 U.S.C. §§ 1320a-7(a), 1320a-7(b)(1)-(3), or is proposed for exclusion during the Covered Person's employment or contract term, Watsonville Facilities shall take all appropriate actions to ensure that the responsibilities of that Covered Person have not and shall not adversely affect the quality of care rendered to any resident, or any claims submitted to any Federal health care program.

## G. Notification of Government Investigation or Legal Proceedings

Within 30 days after discovery, Watsonville Facilities shall notify OIG, in writing, of any ongoing investigation or legal proceeding known to Watsonville Facilities conducted or brought by a governmental entity or its agents involving an allegation that Watsonville Facilities have committed a crime or has engaged in fraudulent activities. This notification shall include a description of the allegation, the identity of the investigating or prosecuting agency, and the status of such investigation or legal proceeding. Watsonville Facilities shall also provide written notice to OIG within 30 days after the resolution of the matter, and shall provide OIG with a description of the findings and/or results of the investigation or proceedings, if any.

In addition, within 15 days after notification, Watsonville Facilities shall notify OIG, in writing, of any adverse final determination made by a federal, state, or local government agency or accrediting or certifying agency (e.g., the Joint Commission) relating to quality of care issues.

# H. Repayment of Overpayments

1. Definition of Overpayments. For purposes of this CIA, an "Overpayment" shall mean the amount of money Watsonville Facilities have received in excess of the amount due and payable under any Federal health care program requirements.

2. Overpayment Policies and Procedures. Within 90 days after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities shall develop and implement written policies and procedures regarding the identification, quantification and repayment of Overpayments received from any Federal health care program.

# Repayment of Overpayments

- If, at any time, Watsonville Facilities identify or learn a. of any Overpayment, Watsonville Facilities shall repay the Overpayment to the appropriate payor (e.g., Medicare contractor) within 60 days after identification of the Overpayment and take remedial steps within 90 days after identification (or such additional time as may be agreed to by the payor) to correct the problem, including preventing the underlying problem and the Overpayment from recurring. If not yet quantified, within 60 days after identification, Watsonville Facilities shall notify the payor of their efforts to quantify the Overpayment amount along with a schedule of when such work is expected to be completed. Notification and repayment to the payor shall be done in accordance with the payor's policies.
- b. Notwithstanding the above, notification and repayment of any Overpayment amount that routinely is reconciled or adjusted pursuant to policies and procedures established by the payor should be handled in accordance with such policies and procedures.

# I. Reportable Events

- 1. Definition of Reportable Event. For purposes of this CIA, a "Reportable Event" means anything that involves:
  - a. a substantial Overpayment;
  - b. a matter that a reasonable person would consider a probable violation of criminal, civil, or administrative

- laws applicable to any Federal health care program for which penalties or exclusion may be authorized;
- c. a violation of the obligation to provide items or services of a quality that meets professionally recognized standards of health care where such violation has occurred in one or more instances and presents an imminent danger to the health, safety, or well-being of a Federal health care program beneficiary or places the beneficiary unnecessarily in high-risk situations;
- d. the employment of or contracting with a Covered Person who is an Ineligible Person as defined by Section III.F.1.a; or
- e. insolvency or a matter that a reasonable person would consider likely to render Watsonville Facilities insolvent.

A Reportable Event may be the result of an isolated event or a series of occurrences.

- 2. Reporting of Reportable Events. If Watsonville Facilities determine (after a reasonable opportunity to conduct an appropriate review or investigation of the allegations) through any means that there is a Reportable Event Watsonville Facilities shall notify OIG, in writing, within 30 days after making the determination that the Reportable Event exists.
- 3. Reportable Events under Section III.I.1.a. For Reportable Events under Section III.I.1.a, the report to OIG shall be made within 30 days of identification of the Overpayment, and shall include:
  - a. a description of the steps taken by Watsonville Facilities to identify and quantify the Overpayment;
  - b. a complete description of the Reportable Event, including the relevant facts, persons involved, and legal and Federal health care program authorities implicated;

- c. a description of Watsonville Facilities' actions taken to correct the Reportable Event; and
- d. any further steps Watsonville Facilities plan to take to address the Reportable Event and prevent it from recurring.

Within 60 days of identification of the Overpayment Watsonville Facilities shall provide OIG with a copy of the notification and repayment (if quantified) to the payor required in Section III.H.2.

- 4. Reportable Events under Section III.I.1.b and d. For Reportable Events under Section III.1.1.b and d, the report to OIG shall include:
  - a. a complete description of the Reportable Event, including the relevant facts, persons involved, and legal and Federal health care program authorities implicated;
  - b. a description of Watsonville Facilities' actions taken to correct the Reportable Event;
  - c. any further steps Watsonville Facilities plan to take to address the Reportable Event and prevent it from recurring; and
  - d. if the Reportable Event has resulted in an Overpayment, a description of the steps taken by Watsonville Facilities to identify and quantify the Overpayment.
- 5. Reportable Events under Section III.I.1.c. For Reportable Events under Section III.I.1.c, the report to OIG shall include:
  - a. a complete description of the Reportable Event, including the relevant facts, persons involved, the impact or potential impact on Federal health care program beneficiaries, and any legal and Federal health care program authorities implicated;

- b. a description of Watsonville Facilities' action taken to correct the Reportable Event;
- c. any further steps Watsonville Facilities plan to take to address the Reportable Event and prevent it from reoccurring; and
- d. a summary of any related reports made to Federal or state regulatory or enforcement agencies or to professional licensing bodies.
- 6. Reportable Events under Section III.I.1.e. For Reportable Events under Section III.I.1.e, the report to OIG shall include:
  - a. a complete description of the Reportable Event;
  - b. a description of Watsonville Facilities' action taken to ensure that the Reportable Event does not adversely impact resident care;
  - c. any further steps Watsonville Facilities plan to take to address the Reportable Event; and
  - d. if the Reportable Event involves the filing of a bankruptcy petition, documentation of the bankruptcy filing and a description of any Federal health care program authorities implicated.
- 7. Reportable Events Involving the Stark Law. Notwithstanding the reporting requirements outlined above, any Reportable Event that involves only a probable violation of section 1877 of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. §1395nn (the Stark Law) should be submitted by Watsonville Facilities to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) through the self-referral disclosure protocol (SRDP), with a copy to the OIG. The requirements of Section III.H.2 that require repayment to the payor of any identified Overpayment within 60 days shall not apply to any Overpayment that may result from a probable violation of only the Stark Law that is disclosed to CMS pursuant to the SRDP. If Watsonville Facilities identify a probable violation of the Stark Law and repay the applicable Overpayment directly to the CMS contractor, then Watsonville

Facilities are not required by this Section III.I to submit the Reportable Event to CMS through the SRDP.

#### IV. CHANGES TO BUSINESS UNITS OR LOCATIONS

### A. Sale of Business, Business Unit or Location.

In the event that, after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities propose to sell any or all of their business, business units or locations (whether through a sale of assets, sale of stock, or other type of transaction) that are subject to this CIA, Watsonville Facilities shall notify OIG of the proposed sale at least 30 days prior to the sale of such business, business unit or location. This notification shall include a description of the business, business unit or location to be sold, a brief description of the terms of the sale, and the name and contact information of the prospective purchaser. This CIA shall be binding on the purchaser of such business, business unit or location, unless otherwise determined and agreed to in writing by OIG.

#### B. Change or Closure of Business, Business Unit or Location.

In the event that, after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities change locations or close a business, business unit or location related to the furnishing of items or services that may be reimbursed by Federal health care programs, Watsonville Facilities shall notify OIG of this fact as soon as possible, but no later than within 30 days after the date of change or closure of the business, business unit or location.

#### C. Purchase or Establishment of New Unit or Location.

In the event that, after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities purchase or establish a new business, business unit or location related to the furnishing of items or services that may be reimbursed by Federal health care programs, Watsonville Facilities shall notify OIG at least 30 days prior to such purchase or the operation of the new business, business unit or location. This notification shall include the address of the new business, business unit or location, phone number, fax number, the location's Medicare and state Medicaid program provider number and/or supplier number(s); and the name and address of each Medicare and state Medicaid program contractor to which Watsonville Facilities currently submit claims. Each new business, business unit or location and all Covered Persons at

each new business, business unit or location shall be subject to the applicable requirements of this CIA, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the OIG.

## V. IMPLEMENTATION AND ANNUAL REPORTS

- A. <u>Implementation Report</u>. Within 120 days after the Effective Date, Watsonville Facilities shall submit a written report to OIG summarizing the status of their implementation of the requirements of this CIA (Implementation Report). The Implementation Report shall, at a minimum, include:
- 1. the name, address, phone number, and position description of the Compliance Officer required by Section III.A, and a summary of other noncompliance job responsibilities, if any, of the Compliance Officer may have;
- 2. the names and positions of the members of the Compliance Committee required by Section III.A
- 3. the names of the Board members who are responsible for satisfying the Board of Directors Committee compliance obligations described in required by Section III.A;
- 4. a description of the Quality of Care Review Program required by Section III.A;
  - 5. a description of the Dashboard required by Section III.A;
- 6. a summary of the Compliance Committee's measurement, analysis, and tracking of the performance metrics included in Watsonville Facilities' Dashboard, Watsonville Facilities' progress towards their quality improvement goals, any changes to the Dashboard and the reasons for such changes, and activities, assessments, recommendations, and findings related to staffing and Watsonville Facilities' response to those findings;
- 7. a copy of Watsonville Facilities' Code of Conduct required by Section III.B.1;
- 8. a summary of all Policies and Procedures required by Section III.B.2 (a copy of such Policies and Procedures shall be made available to OIG upon request);

- 9. the following information regarding each type of training required by Section III.C:
  - a. a description of such training, including the targeted audience, the categories of personnel required to participate in the training, a summary of the topics covered, the length of sessions, and a schedule of training sessions; and
  - b. the number of individuals required to be trained, percentage of individuals actually trained, and an explanation of any absences; and

A copy of all training materials and the documentation supporting this information shall be made available to OIG, upon request.

- 10. a description of the Disclosure Program required by Section III.E;
- 11. a certification that Watsonville Facilities have conducted the screening required by Section III.F regarding Ineligible Persons, or an explanation of why Watsonville Facilities cannot provide such a certification;
- 12. a list of all of Watsonville Facilities' locations (including locations and mailing addresses); the corresponding name under which each location is doing business; the corresponding phone numbers and fax numbers; each location's Medicare and state Medicaid program provider number(s) and/or supplier number(s); and the name and address of each Medicare and state Medicaid program contractor to which Watsonville Facilities currently submit claims;
- 13. a description of Watsonville Facilities' corporate structure, including identification of any individual owners of and investors in Watsonville Facilities, parent and sister companies, subsidiaries and affiliates thereof, and their respective lines of business;
  - 14. the certifications required by Section V.C; and
- 15. a copy of the Board of Directors Compliance Committee Resolution required by Section III.A.3.c.

B. <u>Annual Reports</u>. Watsonville Facilities shall submit to OIG annually a report with respect to the status of, and findings regarding, Watsonville Facilities' compliance activities for each of the five Reporting Periods (Annual Report).

Each Annual Report shall include, at a minimum:

- 1. any change in the identity, position description, or other noncompliance job responsibilities of the Compliance Officer; any change in the membership of the Compliance Committee or Board of Directors Compliance Committee described in Section III.A;
- 2. the dates of each report made by the Compliance Officer and Compliance Committee to the Board of Directors Compliance Committee (written documentation of such reports shall be made available to OIG upon request);
- 3. a summary of activities and findings under Watsonville Facilities' Quality of Care Review Program and a summary of any corrective action taken in response to any problems identified through their Quality of Care Review Program;
- 4. a summary of the Compliance Committee's measurement, analysis, and tracking of the performance metrics included in Watsonville Facilities' Dashboard, Watsonville Facilities' progress towards their quality improvement goals, and any changes to the Dashboard and the reasons for such changes;
- 5. the Board of Directors Compliance Committee Resolution required by Section III.A.3 and a description of the documents and other materials reviewed by the Board, as well as any additional steps taken, in its oversight of the compliance program and in support of making the resolution;
- 6. the number of individuals required to complete the Code of Conduct certification required by Section III.B.1, the percentage of individuals who have completed such certification, and an explanation of any difference (the documentation supporting this information shall be made available to OIG, upon request);

- 7. a summary of any significant changes or amendments to the Code of Conduct or the Policies and Procedures required by Section III.B and the reasons for such changes (e.g., change in contractor policy);
- 8. the following information regarding each type of training required by Section III.C:
  - a. a description of such training, including the targeted audience, the categories of personnel required to participate in the training, a summary of the topics covered, the length of sessions, and a schedule of training sessions; and
  - b. the number of individuals required to complete the initial and annual training, the percentage of individuals who actually completed the initial and annual training, and an explanation of any absences; and

A copy of all training materials and the documentation to support this information shall be made available to OIG, upon request.

- 9. Watsonville Facilities' response and action plan(s) related to any written recommendations of the Monitor pursuant to Section III.D;
- 10. a summary of the disclosures in the disclosure log required under Section III.E (the complete disclosure log shall be made available to OIG upon request);
- 11. a summary of Reportable Events (as defined in Section III.I) identified during the Reporting Period and the status of any corrective and preventative action relating to all such Reportable Events;
- 12. a certification that Watsonville Facilities have completed the screening required by Section III.F regarding Ineligible Persons;
- 13. a summary describing any ongoing investigation or legal proceeding required to have been reported pursuant to Section III.G. The summary shall include a description of the allegation, the identity of the

investigating or prosecuting agency, and the status of such investigation or legal proceeding;

- 14. a description of any changes to the Overpayment policies and procedures required by Section III.H, including the reasons for such changes;
- 15. a report of the aggregate Overpayments that have been returned to the Federal health care programs. Overpayment amounts shall be broken down into the following categories: inpatient Medicare, outpatient Medicare, Medicaid (report each applicable state separately, if applicable), and other Federal health care programs. Overpayment amounts that are routinely reconciled or adjusted pursuant to policies and procedures established by the payor do not need to be included in this aggregate Overpayment report;
- 16. a summary of Reportable Events (as defined in Section III.I) identified during the Reporting Period and the status of any corrective action relating to all such Reportable Events;
- 17. a summary describing any audits conducted during the applicable Reporting Period by a Medicare or state Medicaid program contractor or any government entity or contractor, involving a review of Federal health care program claims, and Watsonville Facilities' response/corrective action plan (including information regarding any Federal health care program refunds) relating to the audit findings;
- 18. a description of all changes to the most recently provided list of Watsonville Facilities' locations (including addresses) as required by Section V.A.12; the corresponding name under which each location is doing business; the corresponding phone numbers and fax numbers; each location's Medicare and state Medicaid program provider number(s) and/or supplier number(s); and the name and address of each Medicare and state Medicaid program contractor to which Watsonville Facilities currently submit claims; and
  - 19. the certifications required by Section V.C.

The first Annual Report shall be received by OIG no later than 60 days after the end of the first Reporting Period. Subsequent Annual Reports shall be received by OIG no later than the anniversary date of the due date of the first Annual Report.

Within 180 days of the submission of each Annual Report, Watsonville Facilities shall participate in an in-person meeting with a representative of OIG to review Watsonville Facilities' performance under this CIA. OIG, in its discretion, may waive this meeting requirement.

## C. Certifications

- 1. Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, and Compliance Officer. The Implementation Report and Annual Reports shall include certifications by the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer (or their managerial and operational equivalents), and the Compliance Officer, under the penalty of perjury, that:
  - a. to the best of his or her knowledge, except as otherwise described in the applicable report,
    Watsonville Facilities are in compliance with all of the requirements of this CIA; and
  - b. he or she has reviewed the Report and has made reasonable inquiry regarding its content and believes that the information in the Report is accurate and truthful.
- 2. Chief Financial Officer or Managerial Equivalent. The first Annual Report shall include a certification by the Chief Financial Officer or the managerial equivalent that, to the best of his or her knowledge, Watsonville Facilities have complied with their obligations under the Settlement Agreement: (a) not to resubmit to any Federal health care program payors any previously denied claims related to the Covered Conduct addressed in the Settlement Agreement, and not to appeal any such denials of claims; (b) not to charge to or otherwise seek payment from federal or state payors for unallowable costs (as defined in the Settlement Agreement); and (c) to identify and adjust any past charges or claims for unallowable costs.
- D. <u>Designation of Information</u>. Watsonville Facilities shall clearly identify any portions of their submissions that they believe are trade secrets, or information that is commercial or financial and privileged or confidential, and therefore potentially exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552. Watsonville Facilities shall refrain from identifying

any information as exempt from disclosure if that information does not meet the criteria for exemption from disclosure under FOIA.

## VI. NOTIFICATIONS AND SUBMISSION OF REPORTS

Unless otherwise stated in writing after the Effective Date, all notifications and reports required under this CIA shall be submitted to the following entities:

OIG:

Administrative and Civil Remedies
Branch
Office of Counsel to the Inspector General
Office of Inspector General
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Cohen Building, Room 5527
330 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, DC 20201
Telephone: 202 619 2078

Telephone: 202.619.2078 Facsimile: 202.205.0604

### Watsonville Facilities:

Linda Lutz Compliance Officer Cambridge Healthcare 6722 Orangethorpe Ave., Suite 300 Buena Park, CA 90620

Unless otherwise specified, all notifications and reports required by this CIA may be made by certified mail, overnight mail, hand delivery, or other means, provided that there is proof that such notification was received. For purposes of this requirement, internal facsimile confirmation sheets do not constitute proof of receipt. Upon request by OIG, Watsonville Facilities may be required to provide OIG with an electronic copy of each notification or report required by this CIA in searchable portable document format (pdf) in addition to a paper copy.

### VII. OIG INSPECTION, AUDIT, AND REVIEW RIGHTS

In addition to any other rights OIG may have by statute, regulation, or contract, OIG or its duly authorized representative(s) may examine or request

copies of Watsonville Facilities' books, records, and other documents and supporting materials and/or conduct on-site reviews of any of Watsonville Facilities' locations for the purpose of verifying and evaluating: (a) Watsonville Facilities' compliance with the terms of this CIA; and (b) Watsonville Facilities' compliance with the requirements of the Federal health care programs. The documentation described above shall be made available by Watsonville Facilities to OIG or its duly authorized representative(s) at all reasonable times for inspection, audit, or reproduction. Furthermore, for purposes of this provision, OIG or its duly authorized representative(s) may interview any of Watsonville Facilities' employees, contractors, or agents who consent to be interviewed at the individual's place of business during normal business hours or at such other place and time as may be mutually agreed upon between the individual and OIG. Watsonville Facilities shall assist OIG or its duly authorized representative(s) in contacting and arranging interviews with such individuals upon OIG's request. Watsonville Facilities' employees may elect to be interviewed with or without a representative of Watsonville Facilities present.

### VIII. DOCUMENT AND RECORD RETENTION

Watsonville Facilities shall maintain for inspection all documents and records relating to reimbursement from the Federal health care programs, or to compliance with this CIA, for six years (or longer if otherwise required by law) from the Effective Date.

## IX. DISCLOSURES

Consistent with HHS's FOIA procedures, set forth in 45 C.F.R. Part 5, OIG shall make a reasonable effort to notify Watsonville Facilities prior to any release by OIG of information submitted by Watsonville Facilities pursuant to their obligations under this CIA and identified upon submission by Watsonville Facilities as trade secrets, or information that is commercial or financial and privileged or confidential, under the FOIA rules. With respect to such releases, Watsonville Facilities shall have the rights set forth at 45 C.F.R. § 5.65(d).

## X. Breach and Default Provisions

Watsonville Facilities are expected to fully and timely comply with all of their CIA obligations.

A. <u>Specific Performance of CIA Provisions</u>. If OIG determines that Watsonville Facilities are failing to comply with a provision or provisions of this

CIA and decide to seek specific performance of any of these provisions, OIG shall provide Watsonville Facilities with prompt written notification of such determination. (This notification shall be referred to as the "Noncompliance Notice.") Watsonville Facilities shall have 30 days from receipt of the Noncompliance Notice within which to either: (1) cure the alleged failure to comply to OIG's satisfaction; or (2) reply in writing that Watsonville Facilities disagree with the determination of noncompliance and request a hearing before an HHS Administrative Law Judge (ALJ), pursuant to the provisions set for in Section X.F of this CIA.

- B. <u>Stipulated Penalties for Failure to Comply with Certain Obligations</u>. As a contractual remedy, Watsonville Facilities and OIG hereby agree that failure to comply with certain obligations as set forth in this CIA may lead to the imposition of the following monetary penalties (hereinafter referred to as "Stipulated Penalties") in accordance with the following provisions.
- 1. A Stipulated Penalty of \$2,500 (which shall begin to accrue on the day after the date the obligation became due) for each day Watsonville Facilities fail to establish and effectively implement any of the following obligations as described in Section III:
  - a. a Compliance Officer;
  - b. a Compliance Committee;
  - c. the Board of Directors compliance obligations;
  - d. a Quality of Care Review Program;
  - e. a Dashboard;
  - f. a written Code of Conduct;
  - g. written Policies and Procedures;
  - h. the training of Covered Persons, Relevant Covered Persons, and Board Members in the manner required by Section III.C;
  - i. retention of a Monitor;

- j. a Disclosure Program;
- k. Ineligible Persons screening and removal requirements;
- 1. notification of Government investigations or legal proceedings; and
- m. reporting of Reportable Events.
- 2. A Stipulated Penalty of \$2,500 (which shall begin to accrue on the day after the date the obligation became due) for each day Watsonville Facilities fail to submit the Implementation Report or any Annual Reports to OIG in accordance with the requirements of Section V by the deadlines for submission.
- 3. A Stipulated Penalty of \$1,500 for each day Watsonville Facilities fail to grant access as required in Section VII. (This Stipulated Penalty shall begin to accrue on the date Watsonville Facilities fail to grant access.)
- 4. A Stipulated Penalty of \$50,000 for each false certification submitted by or on behalf of Watsonville Facilities as part of their Implementation Report, Annual Report, additional documentation to a report (as requested by OIG), or otherwise required by this CIA.
- 5. A Stipulated Penalty of \$2,500 (which shall begin to accrue on the day after the date the obligation became due) for each day Watsonville Facilities fail to pay a Monitor, as required in Section III.D.5.
- 6. A Stipulated Penalty of \$2,500 for each day Watsonville Facilities fail to comply fully and adequately with any of their obligations with respect to the Monitor, including, but not limited to, the obligation to adequately and timely respond to any written recommendation of the Monitor, as set forth in Section III.D.6. OIG shall provide notice to Watsonville Facilities stating the specific grounds for its determination that Watsonville Facilities have failed to comply fully and adequately with the CIA obligation(s) at issue and steps Watsonville Facilities shall take to comply with the CIA. (This Stipulated Penalty shall begin to accrue 10 days after Watsonville Facilities receive this notice from OIG of the failure to comply.)

- 7. A Stipulated Penalty of \$1,000 for each day Watsonville Facilities fail to comply fully and adequately with any obligation of this CIA. OIG shall provide notice to Watsonville Facilities stating the specific grounds for its determination that Watsonville Facilities have failed to comply fully and adequately with the CIA obligation(s) at issue and steps Watsonville Facilities shall take to comply with the CIA. (This Stipulated Penalty shall begin to accrue 10 days after Watsonville Facilities receive this notice from OIG of the failure to comply.) A Stipulated Penalty as described in this Subsection shall not be demanded for any violation for which OIG has sought a Stipulated Penalty under Subsections 1-6 of this section.
- C. <u>Timely Written Requests for Extensions</u>. Watsonville Facilities may, in advance of the due date, submit a timely written request for an extension of time to perform any act or file any notification or report required by this CIA. Notwithstanding any other provision in this section, if OIG grants the timely written request with respect to an act, notification, or report, Stipulated Penalties for failure to perform the act or file the notification or report shall not begin to accrue until one day after Watsonville Facilities fail to meet the revised deadline set by OIG. Notwithstanding any other provision in this section, if OIG denies such a timely written request, Stipulated Penalties for failure to perform the act or file the notification or report shall not begin to accrue until three business days after Watsonville Facilities receive OIG's written denial of such request or the original due date, whichever is later. A "timely written request" is defined as a request in writing received by OIG at least five business days prior to the date by which any act is due to be performed or any notification or report is due to be filed.

# D. Payment of Stipulated Penalties

- 1. Demand Letter. Upon a finding that Watsonville Facilities have failed to comply with any of the obligations described in Section X.B and after determining that Stipulated Penalties are appropriate, OIG shall notify Watsonville Facilities of: (a) Watsonville Facilities' failure to comply; and (b) OIG's exercise of its contractual right to demand payment of the Stipulated Penalties. (This notification shall be referred to as the "Demand Letter.")
- 2. Response to Demand Letter. Within 10 days after the receipt of the Demand Letter, Watsonville Facilities shall either: (a) cure the breach to OIG's satisfaction and pay the applicable Stipulated Penalties; or (b) request a hearing before an HHS ALJ to dispute OIG's determination of noncompliance,

pursuant to the agreed upon provisions set forth below in Section X.F. In the event Watsonville Facilities elect to request an ALJ hearing, the Stipulated Penalties shall continue to accrue until Watsonville Facilities cure, to OIG's satisfaction, the alleged breach in dispute. Failure to respond to the Demand Letter in one of these two manners within the allowed time period shall be considered a material breach of this CIA and shall be grounds for exclusion under Section X.E.

- 3. Form of Payment. Payment of the Stipulated Penalties shall be made by electronic funds transfer to an account specified by OIG in the Demand Letter.
- 4. Independence from Material Breach Determination. Except as set forth in Section X.E.1.d, these provisions for payment of Stipulated Penalties shall not affect or otherwise set a standard for OIG's decision that Watsonville Facilities have materially breached this CIA, which decision shall be made at OIG's discretion and shall be governed by the provisions in Section X.E, below.

## E. Exclusion for Material Breach of the CIA

- 1. Definition of Material Breach. A material breach of this CIA means:
  - a. repeated violations or a flagrant violation of any obligation under this CIA, including, but not limited to, the obligations addressed in Section X.B;
  - b. a failure by Watsonville Facilities to report a
    Reportable Event, take corrective action, or make the
    appropriate refunds, as required in Sections III.H and
    III.I;
  - c. a violation of any obligation under this CIA that has a material impact on the quality of resident care;
  - d. a failure to respond to a Noncompliance Notice concerning specific performance in accordance with Section X.A;

- e. a failure to respond to a Demand Letter concerning the payment of Stipulated Penalties in accordance with Section X.D; or
- f. a failure to retain, pay, or use the Monitor, or failure to respond to the recommendations of the Monitor, in accordance with Section III.D.
- 2. Notice of Material Breach and Intent to Exclude. The parties agree that a material breach of this CIA by Watsonville Facilities constitutes an independent basis for Watsonville Facilities' exclusion from participation in the Federal health care programs. The length of the exclusion shall be in the OIG's discretion, but not more than five years per material breach. Upon a determination by OIG that Watsonville Facilities have materially breached this CIA and that exclusion is the appropriate remedy, OIG shall notify Watsonville Facilities of:

  (a) Watsonville Facilities' material breach; and (b) OIG's intent to exercise its contractual right to impose exclusion. (This notification shall be referred to as the "Notice of Material Breach and Intent to Exclude.") The exclusion may be directed at one or more of Watsonville Facilities' facilities, locations, or corporate entities, depending upon the facts of the breach.
- 3. Opportunity to Cure. Watsonville Facilities shall have 30 days from the date of receipt of the Notice of Material Breach and Intent to Exclude to demonstrate:
  - a. the alleged material breach has been cured; or
  - b. the alleged material breach cannot be cured within the 30-day period, but that: (i) Watsonville Facilities have begun to take action to cure the material breach; (ii) Watsonville Facilities is pursuing such action with due diligence; and (iii) Watsonville Facilities have provided to OIG a reasonable timetable for curing the material breach.
- 4. Exclusion Letter. If, at the conclusion of the 30-day period, Watsonville Facilities fail to satisfy the requirements of Section X.E.3, OIG may exclude Watsonville Facilities from participation in the Federal health care programs. OIG shall notify Watsonville Facilities in writing of its determination to exclude Watsonville Facilities. (This letter shall be referred to as the

"Exclusion Letter.") Subject to the Dispute Resolution provisions in Section X.F, below, the exclusion shall go into effect 30 days after the date of Watsonville Facilities' receipt of the Exclusion Letter. The exclusion shall have national effect. Reinstatement to program participation is not automatic. After the end of the period of exclusion, Watsonville Facilities may apply for reinstatement by submitting a written request for reinstatement in accordance with the provisions at 42 C.F.R. §§ 1001.3001-.3004.

## F. Dispute Resolution

- Review Rights. Upon OIG's delivery to Watsonville 1. Facilities of its Noncompliance Notice, Demand Letter, or Exclusion Letter, and as an agreed-upon contractual remedy for the resolution of disputes arising under this CIA, Watsonville Facilities shall be afforded certain review rights comparable to the ones that are provided in 42 U.S.C. § 1320a-7(f) and 42 C.F.R. Part 1005 as if they applied to the specific performance, Stipulated Penalties, or exclusion sought pursuant to this CIA. Specifically, OIG's determination to demand specific performance, payment of Stipulated Penalties, or seek exclusion shall be subject to review by an HHS ALJ and, in the event of an appeal, the HHS Departmental Appeals Board (DAB), in a manner consistent with the provisions in 42 C.F.R. § 1005.2-1005.21. Notwithstanding the language in 42 C.F.R. § 1005.2(c), the request for a hearing involving specific performance or Stipulated Penalties shall be made within 10 days after receipt of the Demand Letter and the request for a hearing involving exclusion shall be made within 25 days after receipt of the Exclusion Letter.
- 2. Specific Performance Review. Notwithstanding any provision of Title 42 of the United States Code or Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the only issues in a proceeding for specific performance of CIA provisions shall be:
  - a. whether, at the time specified in the Noncompliance Notice, Watsonville Facilities were in full and timely compliance with the obligations of this CIA for which OIG seeks specific performance; and
  - b. whether Watsonville Facilities failed to cure to OIG's satisfaction.

Watsonville Facilities shall have the burden of proving their full and timely compliance and the steps taken to cure the noncompliance, if any. OIG shall not have the right to appeal to the DAB an adverse ALJ decision related to specific performance. If the ALJ agrees with OIG, Watsonville Facilities shall take the actions OIG deems necessary to cure within 20 days after the ALJ issues such a decision unless Watsonville Facilities request review of the ALJ decision by the DAB. If the ALJ decision is properly appealed to the DAB and the DAB upholds the determination of OIG, Watsonville Facilities shall take the actions OIG deems necessary to cure within 20 days after the DAB issues its decision.

- 3. Stipulated Penalties Review. Notwithstanding any provision of Title 42 of the United States Code or Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the only issues in a proceeding for Stipulated Penalties under this CIA shall be: (a) whether Watsonville Facilities were in full and timely compliance with the obligations of this CIA for which OIG demands payment; and (b) the period of noncompliance. Watsonville Facilities shall have the burden of proving their full and timely compliance and the steps taken to cure the noncompliance, if any. OIG shall not have the right to appeal to the DAB an adverse ALJ decision related to Stipulated Penalties. If the ALJ agrees with OIG with regard to a finding of a breach of this CIA and orders Watsonville Facilities to pay Stipulated Penalties, such Stipulated Penalties shall become due and payable 20 days after the ALJ issues such a decision unless Watsonville Facilities request review of the ALJ decision by the DAB. If the ALJ decision is properly appealed to the DAB and the DAB upholds the determination of OIG, the Stipulated Penalties shall become due and payable 20 days after the DAB issues its decision.
- 4. *Exclusion Review*. Notwithstanding any provision of Title 42 of the United States Code or Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the only issues in a proceeding for exclusion based on a material breach of this CIA shall be whether Watsonville Facilities were in material breach of this CIA and, if so, whether:
  - a. Watsonville Facilities cured such breach within 30 days of their receipt of the Notice of Material Breach; or
  - b. the alleged material breach could not have been cured within the 30-day period, but that, during the 30-day period following Watsonville Facilities' receipt of the Notice of Material Breach: (i) Watsonville Facilities had begun to take

action to cure the material breach; (ii) Watsonville Facilities pursued such action with due diligence; and (iii) Watsonville Facilities provided to OIG a reasonable timetable for curing the material breach.

For purposes of the exclusion herein, exclusion shall take effect only after an ALJ decision favorable to OIG, or, if the ALJ rules for Watsonville Facilities, only after a DAB decision in favor of OIG. Watsonville Facilities' election of their contractual right to appeal to the DAB shall not abrogate OIG's authority to exclude Watsonville Facilities upon the issuance of an ALJ's decision in favor of OIG. If the ALJ sustains the determination of OIG and determines that exclusion is authorized, such exclusion shall take effect 20 days after the ALJ issues such a decision, notwithstanding that Watsonville Facilities may request review of the ALJ decision by the DAB. If the DAB finds in favor of OIG after an ALJ decision adverse to OIG, the exclusion shall take effect 20 days after the DAB decision. Watsonville Facilities shall waive their right to any notice of such an exclusion if a decision upholding the exclusion is rendered by the ALJ or DAB. If the DAB finds in favor of Watsonville Facilities, Watsonville Facilities shall be reinstated effective on the date of the original exclusion.

5. Finality of Decision. The review by an ALJ or DAB provided for above shall not be considered to be an appeal right arising under any statutes or regulations. Consequently, the parties to this CIA agree that the DAB's decision (or the ALJ's decision if not appealed) shall be considered final for all purposes under this CIA.

# XI. <u>Effective and Binding Agreement</u>

Watsonville Facilities and OIG agree as follows:

- A. This CIA shall become final and binding on the date the final signature is obtained on the CIA.
- B. This CIA constitutes the complete agreement between the parties and may not be amended except by written consent of the parties to this CIA.
- C. OIG may agree to a suspension of Watsonville Facilities' obligations under this CIA based on a certification by Watsonville Facilities that they are no longer providing health care items or services that will be billed to any Federal health care program and that it does not have any ownership or control interest, as

defined in 42 U.S.C. § 1320a-3, in any entity that bills any Federal health care program. If Watsonville Facilities are relieved of their CIA obligations, Watsonville Facilities will be required to notify OIG in writing at least thirty (30) days in advance if Watsonville Facilities plan to resume providing health care items or services that are billed to any Federal health care program or to obtain an ownership or control interest in any entity that bills any Federal health care program. At such time, OIG shall evaluate whether the CIA will be reactivated or modified.

- D. The undersigned Watsonville Facilities signatories represent and warrant that they are authorized to execute this CIA. The undersigned OIG signatories represents that they are signing this CIA in their official capacity and that they are authorized to execute this CIA.
- E. This CIA may be executed in counterparts, each of which constitutes an original and all of which constitute one and the same CIA. Facsimiles of signatures shall constitute acceptable, binding signatures for purposes of this CIA.

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