

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR BEHAVIORAL INTEGRATION

This Interlocal Agreement for Behavioral Integration is made effective the 1st day of January 2014 by and between Lincoln County Public Hospital District #3, 10 Nichols Street, Davenport, WA 99122 (“Lincoln Hospital”) and Stevens County, Washington, a political subdivision of the State of Washington d/b/a NorthEast Washington Alliance Counseling Services, 165 E. Hawthorne Ave., Colville, WA 99114 (“NEW Alliance”). Lincoln Hospital and NEW Alliance may be referred to as a “Party” or “Parties” herein.

RECITALS

A. Lincoln Hospital and NEW Alliance are each a public entity within the definition of RCW 39.34.020. Lincoln Hospital operates both a hospital and medical clinics serving the residents of the district and other persons, primarily located in Lincoln County, Washington. NEW Alliance provides community behavioral mental health services, rehabilitation and support services, including services for substance and alcohol abuse in the Northeastern Washington area to residents of the State of Washington, including Stevens County, Ferry County and Lincoln County.

B. Lincoln Hospital and NEW Alliance recognize the need for and desire to provide integrated preventive, primary and behavioral health services to adults with psychiatric and drug or alcohol addictions to better provide cohesive patient care to the residents of Lincoln County.

C. Lincoln Hospital has a need for new or expanded mental health services, and has a need to integrate mental health services with medical services provided by Lincoln Hospital at its hospital and clinic locations. Lincoln Hospital seeks to create an expanded mental health services delivery program within the hospital and its clinics (the “Program”), and NEW Alliance has the ability through its staff to deliver the mental health services as necessary to create the Program. The Program will be a pilot project that will provide a coordinated system of care to the patients in a manner that increases the availability of integrated mental health and medical services, and which enhances the quality of health care services available to the population of those that utilize mental health and medical services in Lincoln County, Washington.

D. Lincoln Hospital seeks to enhance patient care and identify the mental health needs of patients within its “medical home” who might choose to seek on-site substance abuse and mental health screening and regular ongoing therapy services located at Lincoln Hospital and its clinics. The Program is intended to enhance service capacity via ready access to adult psychiatric consultation for its patients. This goal can be met pursuant to the authority of RCW 70.44.240 and RCW 39.34.030.

E. Lincoln Hospital and NEW Alliance have obtained the appropriate authority to enter into this Agreement as required by RCW 39.34.030(2).

NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION of the promises contained herein, and the benefit to be derived herefrom, and for other good and valuable consideration, Lincoln Hospital and NEW Alliance agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

1. TERM. This Agreement shall commence effective January 1, 2014 and terminate December 31, 2015. After the initial term of this Agreement, it shall automatically renew for one (1) year consecutive terms unless terminated by any Party hereto. Either Party may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other. This Agreement shall be reevaluated at least annually to ensure that this Agreement is expected to continue to contribute meaningfully to Lincoln Hospital's ability to maintain or increase the availability, or enhance the quality of services provided to the patient population.

2. ORGANIZATION. Lincoln Hospital and NEW Alliance shall designate a representative (the "Appointee") to act on its behalf with regard to the subject matter of this Agreement. Any action to be undertaken under this Agreement shall require the mutual agreement of the Appointees.

3. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Agreement is to integrate mental health services with medical services provided by Lincoln Hospital at its hospital and clinic locations. Lincoln Hospital seeks to create an expanded mental health services delivery program within the hospital and its clinics in a Program designed to enhance mental health services for its patients, and to provide regular ongoing therapy services to its patients, including ready access to psychiatric consultation for patients. The intent of this Agreement is to enhance the quality of mental health services provided to patients of Lincoln Hospital.

4. SCOPE OF WORK. Subject to the provisions of Section 7 of this Agreement, and during the term of this Agreement, NEW Alliance shall provide, when appropriate, Lincoln Hospital patients a comprehensive and integrated age appropriate mental health assessment, screening and treatment as necessary. Each of the parties to this Agreement will attempt to identify those patients that need mental health care in addition to other health care needs of any patients.

5. COSTS. Lincoln Hospital and NEW Alliance shall each be responsible for their respective costs of operation and patient care.

6. INSURANCE. Lincoln Hospital and NEW Alliance shall at all times during the term of this Agreement maintain the following minimum levels of insurance:

(a) Comprehensive General Liability Insurance, covering its activities hereunder, in an amount not less than \$3,000,000 per occurrence;

(b) Professional Liability Insurance in an amount covering each parties activities hereunder and not less than \$3,000,000 per occurrence/\$5,000,000 aggregate; and