

### **Ninth Amendment to the Contract**

This Ninth Amendment to the Contract for Iowa Medicaid Enterprise Services (the “Contract”) between the State of Iowa, Department of Human services (the “Department” or “DHS”) and Policy Studies Inc. (the “Contractor”) effective as of July 1, 2004 is made pursuant to Section 19.6 of the Contract. This Amendment is effective as of January 4, 2010 (the “Amendment Nine Effective Date”) or the date of full execution of this amendment, whichever is later, and will remain coterminous with the Contract. The Amendment modifies, to the extent specified below, the terms and conditions of the Contract:

**The Ninth Amendment to the Contract is hereby modified as follows:**

**For the scope of work as outlined in the Attachment 15 the fixed rate is \$98,483 to be invoiced in equal amounts at the end of each month through June 30, 2010.**

#### **Ratification**

Except as expressly amended and supplemented herein, the Contract shall remain in force and effect, and the parties hereby ratify and confirm the terms and conditions thereof.

#### **Authorization**

Each party to this Amendment represents and warrants to the other that:

- It has the right, power, and authority to enter into and perform its obligations under this Amendment.
- It has taken all requisite actions (corporate, statutory, to otherwise) to approve execution, delivery and performance of this Amendment, and this Amendment constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation upon itself in accordance with its terms.

**Execution**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth above and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt, adequacy and legal sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties have entered into the above Amendment and have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Amendment.

**State of Iowa, acting by and through the Iowa Department of Human Services**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Charles J, Krogmeier, Director

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy Studies, Inc. (Contractor)

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Eric Rubin, Chief Operating Officer

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Attachment 15

### Scope of Work

In order to facilitate Health Information Technology (HIT) planning the Contractor will perform the following:

**Key Activity:** Perform an environmental scan of the provider community.

### **Contractor Responsibilities:**

- Conduct provider survey in collaboration with the e-Health project to better understand the barriers and utilization of Electronic Health Records (EHR) in Iowa.
- Develop a methodology and criteria that will be used to determine if providers meet the thresholds pursuant to the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) to qualify for the incentive program. Use the survey to estimate how many providers and which ones are likely to qualify for the grants.
- Identify which Medicaid providers are interested and eligible for the incentive payments.
- Create a methodology for verifying provider eligibility for ARRA incentives.
- Calculate the Medicaid members in relationship to overall patient case load to meet the appropriate thresholds as per the rules.
- Understand barriers to applying for incentives, including but not limited to certification of existing EHR systems and gaps to becoming certified.
- Identify gaps of providers who are not eligible and understand needs and barriers to implementing EHR.

### **Deliverables:**

- Produce a report of survey provider results to be used for input into goals and objectives for the State Medicaid Health Plan (SMHP).
- Produce a methodology and criteria for determining provider eligibility for incentive payments.
- Produce a report of potential volume for the Medicaid Incentive Payment program to be used for planning.

### **Performance Measures:**

- Deliver the report of results to the Department by the date in the Department approved work plan.
- Deliver the report of potential volume to the Department by the date in the Department approved work plan.

**Key Activity:** Plan for Incentive Payment Administration

### **Contractor Responsibilities:**

- Create the definition of “meaningful use” for Iowa Medicaid informed by the guidance of CMS. This must identify how measures will be applied as part of the Incentive Payment Administration.
- Determine how to pay providers and planning for any systems support needed.
- Plan for the coordination with Medicare regarding duplicative payments.
- Provide provider education on the availability of incentives.
- Create a plan for monitoring meaningful use.
- Audit for compliance of providers with the definition of meaningful use.

**Deliverables:**

- A definition of meaningful use that can be approved by the Department.
- A project plan including scope definition, work break down, a project schedule and a project budget.

**Performance Measures:**

- The definition of meaningful use must be delivered to the Department for approval on the date in the Department approved work plan.
- The project plan must be delivered to the Department within 20 business days of the execution date of the Contract Amendment.