

Individual's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
OCHN CON ID: \_\_\_\_\_



## **Employment Agreement to Self-Direct Services** (For Direct Hire Staff)

This Agreement was made on \_\_\_\_\_, by and between \_\_\_\_\_ (the Individual Self-Directing services) or \_\_\_\_\_ (Legal Representative on behalf of Individual, \_\_\_\_\_) residing at \_\_\_\_\_ both separately and collectively hereinafter referred to as the Employer, and \_\_\_\_\_ (Direct Support Professional or "Employee"). The purpose of this agreement is to describe the general tasks and related duties of the Behavioral Health and Intellectual and Development Disability Supports and Services ("Supports and Services") that the employee will provide to the employer and the terms and conditions of employment as it relates to compensation using Medicaid/Public Funding.

### **Article I Employee Responsibilities**

1. Provide support to the employer by performing duties outlined in this agreement, any attachments to it, and the Individual Plan of Service (IPOS).
2. Acknowledge that employment is dependent on the Employer's participation in a Self-Directed arrangement through Oakland Community Health Network (OCHN).
3. Submit documentation verifying that the minimum hiring requirements are satisfied as a precondition for employment and complete prior to working alone with the Individual and then update annually unless stated otherwise.
4. Agree to document services in a manner that fully discloses the extent of the services provided as required by Medicaid rules and as outlined in the Individual's IPOS. Documentation must correspond with timesheets, be complete, concise, accurate, and include the face-to-face time spent providing services. Documentation must be legible (i.e. easy to read), signed, and dated.
5. Maintain sufficient documentation of the services provided as required by my employer, Oakland Community Health Network, and as outlined in the Individual's Plan of Service.
6. All information in the record will be kept confidential and released only upon the written consent of the Employer. Acknowledge that all records are the property of the Employer and shall be returned to him/her at the time the employment relationship terminates.
7. Agree to assist the employer in filing Recipient Rights complaints upon request. Understand that I have a responsibility to report rights violations of which I am aware of or any potential abusive or neglectful situations I observe. I understand that I may be requested to cooperate with a recipient rights investigation and/or assist my employer with exercising his or her rights. Complete Incident Reports when unusual incidents happen.
8. Agree to record real-time hours worked through the Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) system or to submit signed and dated payroll documentation to the employer to support payment of wages for

services rendered if no EVV is available. Paychecks shall be issued by the Financial Management Service Agency according to their contract with OCHN on behalf of the employer.

9. Authorize the Financial Management Services Agency to make payments outlined in the Employer's Budget. Payments may include Provider payments, employer tax payments, workers' compensation insurance, mileage, etc.
10. Understand and acknowledge that the Employer is the "sole" employer and that I am not an employee of Oakland Community Health Network (OCHN) which acts as the Pre-Paid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP) and pays for services to the Financial Management Services agency, the Financial Management Service Agency, which is the financial administrator of funds used, or the Self-Determination Administration provider if any. All agencies will be held harmless for their role in administering Self- Directed services.
11. Understand that this employment is an at will relationship, which can be terminated by me or by the employer at any time. However, the employer cannot terminate my employment based on my race, religion, sex, disability, or other protected status under federal or Michigan law. In addition, I agree to give 14 days' written notice to my employer if I plan to terminate employment.
12. Understand that all timesheets and documentation to support the service must be submitted to the FMS no later than 30 days after the service was provided or Medicaid dollars cannot be used to pay for the service.
13. I agree to execute a Medicaid Provider Agreement (**Attachment A**) with OCHN and acknowledge that this agreement does not alter the fact that OCHN is only the PIHP. I understand that my employment is contingent on completing this agreement.
14. Acknowledge and sign (**Attachment B**).

## **Article II      Employer Responsibilities (Employer of Record)**

1. Provide the Financial Management Service Agency with the necessary documentation to assure timely compensation for my employee, as identified by their payroll schedule. Timesheets and documentation must be submitted no later than 30 days after the service was provided, or Medicaid dollars cannot be used to pay for the service.
2. If the Financial Management Service (FMS) is utilizing an Electronic Visit Verification system (real time electronic timesheets), the employer will monitor the real time electronic signed time sheets and authorize payment for the delivery of services as specified in this agreement and not to exceed the authorizations as identified in the IPOS and individual budget. If the employee is required to submit timesheets to the FMS, the employer will verify support and services indicated on the timesheet prior to signing and submitting to FMS for payment.
3. Maintain copies of timesheets, employment agreements, training records, and service documentation that is complete, concise, accurate, and includes the face-to-face time spent providing services. Documentation must be recorded in a manner that discloses the full extent of the services provided, be legible, signed, and dated.
4. Acknowledge and agrees that the Financial Management Services Agency is acting only as a financial administrator and shall in no way be considered the employer, Oakland Community Health Network is acting only as the Pre-paid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP) to pay the authorized services through the Financial Management Services Agency and is not the employer, and the provider organization acting as a Self-Determination Administrator, if any, is not the employer. The Employee agrees to hold the Financial Management Services Agency, the Self-Determination Administrator (if any), and OCHN harmless for their roles within this arrangement.

5. The Employer shall delegate duties to the Financial Management Services Agency to adhere to all federal and state employment obligations, including but not limited to: maintaining worker's compensation insurance, complying minimum wage standards and overtime regulations, withholding and payment of employment taxes, unemployment taxes, and all reasonable employer responsibilities.
6. Agree that OCHN or a delegated entity may suspend or terminate Medicaid/public funding for services provided by an employee if it is determined that the employee has failed to fulfill the terms outlined in the Employment Agreement, or if the employee has jeopardized the individual's health or safety or has misused the individual's funds.
7. Assure the employee maintains the required training. Training includes knowledge of Basic First Aid, Bloodborne Pathogens, Recipient Rights, and my employer's annual IPOS.
8. Assure the employee executes a **Medicaid Provider Agreement** with OCHN (**Attachment A**).
9. Acknowledge and sign the Employer of Record training (**Attachment C**).

**Article III Staff Compensation for Covered Services**

**The services must be covered.** Services are covered when they are:

- o Submitted for payment within 30 days of providing the service;
- o Authorized in the Individual Plan of Service (IPOS) and provided face-to-face;
- o Provided in a manner that meets Medicaid requirements;
- o Provided in keeping with the Individual's IPOS and Individual Budget for the purpose of reasonably achieving the goals in the Individual's IPOS;
- o Provided in keeping with this agreement (including attachments); and
- o Documented appropriately.

The employee shall provide and will be compensated:

**All wages must be between the state minimum and maximum wage allowable within the employer's Self-Determination Budget. Wages should not exceed OCHN's standardized rate, which is inclusive of all applicable taxes and insurance costs.**

**Select CWP or HSW if applicable:**

- Children's Waiver Program (CWP)                       Habilitation Supports Waiver (HSW)

**Living Arrangements:**

- Employer lives alone.
- Employer shares staff with others in the home.  
Number of employers/individuals sharing staff \_\_\_\_\_.

**H2015 Comprehensive Community Support Services/XX402 Transportation for CLS**

- \*Hourly rate of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ which is inclusive of mileage for MI only.
- \*Hourly rate of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_ miles per week. Mileage is paid at the current Federal rate.

**T2027 Overnight Health and Safety Supports**

- \*Hourly rate of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

**T1005 Respite**

- \*Hourly rate of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

**H0045 (Daily) Respite Camp**

Daily rate is OCHN's standardized rate (if requesting a rate over the standardized rate, prior approval is needed).

**Other** (All services will be paid at OCHN's standardized rate. If requesting a rate over the standardized rate, prior approval is needed).

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Direct hire will ensure all health and safety needs are met as detailed in the Individuals Plan of Services. The employee is expected to perform services listed according to the goals/objective identified in the IPOS.

\*Pay rates and mileage cannot exceed the OCHN standardized rate for H2015, T2027, and T1005. These rates are authorized in units not hours (i.e. 4 units = 1 hour).

**Article IV Term and Termination**

This agreement will be in effect until such time as it is terminated or changed. This is an "at-will employment" relationship, which may be terminated by the Employer, at any time. However, the employer cannot terminate employment based on race, religion, sex, disability, or other protected status under federal or Michigan law. The agreement may be terminated immediately if there has been substantiated cause of abuse, neglect, or fraud.

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**Employee's Signature**                      **Printed Name**                      **Date**

**Relationship to the Employer** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Employer's Signature**                      **Printed Name**                      **Date**

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**Legal Representative's Signature**                      **Printed Name**                      **Date**

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