

**AMENDED SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT SERVICES OPERATION  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN WEBB COUNTY AND P.I.L.L.A.R. FOR THE 406TH  
JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, VETERANS TREATMENT PROGRAM, GRANT  
FUND NUMBER VTC\_17\_0487**

This amended agreement is hereby entered into on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018, but made effective retroactively to July 1, 2017, between, the County of Webb, (hereinafter referred to as “Webb County) and the People with Ideas of Love, Liberty, Acceptance, and Respect, (hereinafter referred to as “P.I.L.L.A.R.”).

RECITALS

**WHEREAS**, Webb County by and through the 406th District Court Veterans Treatment Program (VTP) is authorized by Chapter 469 of the Texas Health and Safety Code to provide an alternative to traditional criminal sanctions for eligible participants of the Drug Court Program; and;

**WHEREAS**, Section IV, of the agreement entitled Professional Service and Duties is amended, corrected, and replaced entirely in order to include the actual and updated scope of Professional Services and duties that are being provided by P.I.L.L.A.R., to the 406th District Court Veterans Treatment Program (VTP); and.

**WHEREAS**, Section V., of the agreement entitled Compensation, is also amended in order include and pay the contracted Licensed Professional Counselor/Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor (LPC/LCDC) compensation for counseling sessions provided thru the program at the rate of \$250.00 per session;

**NOW THEREFORE**, Webb County and P.I.L.L.A.R., do hereby mutually agree to amend the Substance Abuse Treatment Services Operation Agreement for the 406<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court Veterans Treatment Program as follows;

**Article IV, entitled Professional Service and Duties is hereby deleted entirely and replaced with a new updated and revised scope of professional services and duties as set forth herein-below.**

**IV. PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND DUTIES**

1. P.I.L.L.A.R. shall provide drug and alcohol abuse treatment services to Program participants through screening; assessment; community based counseling; group therapy; brief interventions; relapse prevention; outpatient treatment; community based individual and group therapy as more fully described in the 406<sup>th</sup> Veterans Treatment Program’s grant application which is referred to and incorporated herein for all purposes set out in full.

2. P.I.L.L.A.R. shall assign a full time AODA Certified Counselors or to provide will provide individual treatment to all DCP participants.

3. P.I.L.L.A.R. assigned counselors shall develop individualized treatment plans for program participants.
4. P.I.L.L.A.R. Counselors or Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselors shall provide Motivational Enhancement Therapy (MET) to motivate program participants to comply with the program.
5. P.I.L.L.A.R. shall provide out-patient treatment services by utilizing evidence based models as indicated by the TVC grant application in an outpatient group and individual treatment setting for all eligible program participants.
6. P.I.L.L.A.R. shall utilize Drug Court Case Management Computer Service and Accucare service document treatment attendance, assessments, goals and objectives.
7. P.I.L.L.A.R. shall refer program participants to appropriate healthcare providers as needed and appropriate.
8. P.I.L.L.A.R. shall refer program participants for comprehensive HIV/AIDS/STD/Hepatitis C prevention, education, and CTR Services.
9. P.I.L.L.A.R. Counselors shall provide service coordination to residential services for participants. Services include:
  - A. Assessment interviews to identify and evaluate an individual's strengths, weaknesses, problems, and needs, which will also provide an extent of how alcohol and/or drugs use has interfered with the participants functioning in each of the areas explored.
  - B. Consent/Referral to OSAR for residential approval and to be placed on waiting list.
  - C. Consent/Referral to any residential facility that would be utilized.
  - D. They will conduct follow-up with OSAR, at minimum once every other week, to follow-up on placement opportunities.
  - E. If any task listed from A-E needs to be recaptured due to placement taking longer than 30 days, counselors will update information as needed until placement is available.
10. P.I.L.L.A.R. Counselors will provide clinical screenings, assessments and referral to out-patient treatment services to defendants referred to the program and gather all relevant treatment/substance abuse and demographic information during intake;
11. P.I.L.L.A.R. will ensure the smooth flow of all client treatment activity in the program;
  - A. Monitor treatment plans as they are modified for each client;
  - B. Locate and eliminate case processing bottlenecks;

- C. Utilize DSM-V as a source of diagnosis when assessing the defendant and inputting all information relevant including but not limited to the DCCM and AccuCare;
  - D. Keep track and follow-up on all pending GPRA intakes, follow-ups and discharges to meet grant requirements;
  - E. Collaborate with all treatment counselors providing OPT services to active participants of the program;
  - F. Coordinate and follow-up treatment services for clients attending different agencies within the community;
  - G. Monitor their weekly attendance and progress by keeping contact with the different agencies;
  - H. Provide Crisis Intervention for clients who need it;
  - I. Contribute to a non-adversarial manner at status hearings, thus promoting a unified Drug Court team presence;
  - J. Be present at all weekly staffing's and drug court sessions as scheduled.
12. P.I.L.L.A.R. shall provide full contracted Licensed Professional Counselor–(LPC) to implement the Motivational Enhancement Therapy (MET) and the Matrix Model for out-patient group and individualized treatment for participants in the regional veterans treatment program.
13. P.I.L.L.A.R. shall conduct a substance abuse assessment with the treatment plan. Individual sessions will be offered for all of the participating clients and mental health assessments will be conducted.
14. P.I.L.L.A.R. shall conduct risk-level assessments for the participants in order to identify anti-social behavior and/or problems related to addiction and mental health.
15. P.I.L.L.A.R. shall be responsible for collaborating with the case managers to provide social services in area of job placement, educational programs, and is-sues related to substance abuse, mental health, family, parenting, and marital relationships.
16. P.I.L.L.A.R. shall use evidence-based practices chosen including Prolonged Exposure Therapy (PE) for individual treatment of veterans with Posttraumatic Stress Disorders, and Cognitive Processing Therapy which is the group model chosen to treat combat veterans with PTSD and depression, Motivational Enhancement Therapy (MET) to empower change, Broad Spectrum Treatment (BST) for high risk/high need alcohol and opiate dependent clients by using injectable Naltrex-one (Vivitrol) in order to reduce relapse, improve abstinence rates, reduce recidivism, improve treatment retention, and reduce the number of referrals to residential

treatment, and Thinking for a Change (T4C) to reframe distorted thinking patterns that impact mental health, (PE) and lead to criminogenic behavior.

17. P.I.L.L.A.R. shall use the SAFE program will be used primarily to provide education and support for the family members of the veterans in the program; especially those who live in rural areas and have a different cultural perspective about mental illness. Additionally, the SAFE Program will also serve as a recruiting tool by education family and friends of veterans about resources available in the community for returning veterans. In addition, the VCP will implement Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT), which is an evidenced-based intervention that is a SAMHSA best practice in the treatment of childhood stressor related disorders including, but not limited to PTSD.

**Article V, entitled Compensation is hereby amended to add a provision for the payment of counseling services at the rate of \$250.00 per counseling session as set forth herein-below.**


**V. COMPENSATION**

For services rendered hereunder, Webb County will compensate P.I.L.L.A.R., for counseling sessions at the rate of \$250.00 per counseling session, and in an amount not more than \$3,333.33 per month, for time in providing out-patient treatment services. P.I.L.L.A.R. shall submit written and itemized in reasonable detail the dates on which services were performed and a brief description of the services rendered. Webb County shall pay P.I.L.A.R. the amounts due pursuant to submitted invoices within 30 days after such reports are received by Webb County. The total payment of fees shall not exceed \$40,000.00 and may be adjusted in years subsequent to the 2017-2018 award year based on funds awarded by grantor (TVC).

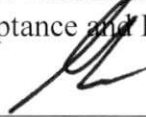
All other sections, terms, conditions, etc., as set forth in the original agreement not covered by this amendment shall remain the same.


**IN WITNESS HEREOF** we have affixed our signatures on this Amended Agreement on this 1<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018, but made effective retroactively to July 1, 2017, date of the 406th District Court Veterans Treatment Program (VTP) grant.

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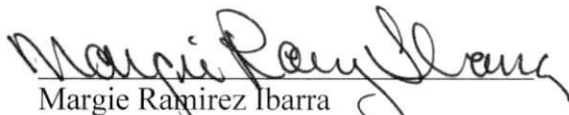
  
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Webb County Judge

People with Ideas of Love, Liberty,  
Acceptance and Respect (P.I.L.L.A.R.)

  
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Manuel Sanchez  
P.I.L.L.A.R Co-Founder


  
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Judge Oscar J. Hale, Jr. Presiding Judge  
406th District Court Drug Court Program

**ATTESTED:**

  
Margie Ramirez Ibarra  
Webb County Clerk



**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
Alexandra Colessides Solis  
Webb County Civil Legal Division Director\*

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*Passed and approved by the Webb County Commissioners Court on June 11, 2018; item no. 6a.*