#### EXPRESS SCRIPTS, INC. PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

THIS PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT ("Agreement") will be effective as of the date set forth in Section 6.1 and is entered into by and between EXPRESS SCRIPTS, INC., a Delaware corporation ("ESI"), and Board of Education of Howard County, MD, organized under the laws of the state of Maryland ("Sponsor").

### RECITALS

A. ESI, either directly or through its subsidiaries, engages in pharmacy benefit management services, including, among other things, pharmacy network contracting; pharmacy claims processing; mail and specialty drug pharmacy; cost containment, clinical, safety, adherence, and other like programs; and formulary administration ("PBM Services").

B. Sponsor provides or arranges for the provision of health benefits, including a prescription drug benefit.

C. ESI and Sponsor desire that ESI be the exclusive provider of PBM Services for Sponsor's Plan (as defined below) under the terms and conditions set forth herein.

THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

## **TERMS OF AGREEMENT**

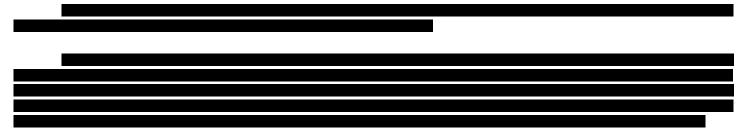
## **ARTICLE I - DEFINITIONS**

"Ancillary Supplies, Equipment, and Services" or "ASES" means ancillary supplies, equipment, and services provided or coordinated by ESI Specialty Pharmacy in connection with ESI Specialty Pharmacy's dispensing of Specialty Products. ASES may include all or some of the following: telephonic and/or in-person training, nursing/clinical services, inhome infusion and related support, patient monitoring, medication pumps, tubing, syringes, gauze pads, sharps containers, lancets, test strips, other supplies, and durable medical equipment. The aforementioned list is illustrative only (not exhaustive) and may include other supplies, equipment, and services based on the patient's needs, prescriber instructions, payer requirements, and/or the Specialty Product manufacturer's requirements.

"Average Wholesale Price" or "AWP" means the average wholesale price of a prescription drug as identified by Medi-Span (the "Pricing Source"). The applicable AWP shall be the 11-digit NDC for the product dispensed as of the date dispensed. If the Pricing Source discontinues the reporting of AWP or materially changes the manner in which AWP is calculated, then ESI reserves the right to make an equitable adjustment as necessary to maintain the parties' relative economics and the pricing intent of this Agreement.

"Biosimilar Drug" means a drug that is approved by the Food and Drug Administration as a "biosimilar" product, as such term is defined at 42 U.S.C. §262(i)(2), pursuant to the provisions of 42 U.S.C. §262(k), or pursuant to any successor legislative provision relating to expedited approval of biological products which are highly similar to a reference biological product.

"Brand/Generic Algorithm" or "BGA" means ESI's standard and proprietary brand/generic algorithm, a copy of which may be made available for review by Sponsor or its Auditor upon request. The purposes of the algorithm are to utilize a comprehensive and logical algorithm to determine the brand or generic status of products in the ESI master drug file using a combination of industry standard attributes, to stabilize products "flipping" between brand and generic status as may be the case when a single indicator is used from industry pricing sources, and to reduce Sponsor, Member and provider confusion due to fluctuations in brand/generic status. Sponsor or its Auditor may audit ESI's application of its BGA to confirm that ESI is making brand and generic drug determinations consistent with such algorithm. If a product is determined by ESI, in accordance with the BGA, to be either a Brand Drug or Generic Drug, ESI will process the Prescription Claim in accordance with that initial determination for purposes of the adjudication and guarantee rates as set forth in Exhibit A-1 and for purposes of the Rebate amounts set forth in Exhibits A-3 and A-4.



"Copayment" means that portion of the charge for each Covered Drug dispensed to the Member that is the responsibility of the Member (e.g., copayment, coinsurance and/or deductible) as indicated on the Set-Up Forms.

"Covered Drug(s)" means those prescription drugs, supplies, Specialty Products (if selected on the Set-Up Forms) and other items that are covered under the Prescription Drug Program, each as indicated on the Set-Up Forms.

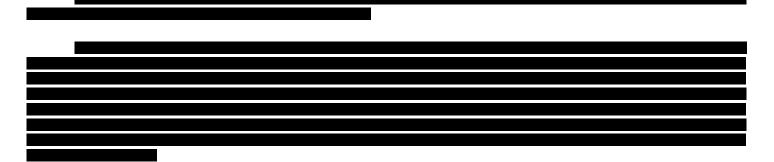
"Eligibility Files" means the list submitted by Sponsor to ESI in reasonably acceptable electronic format indicating persons eligible for drug benefit coverage services under the Plan.

"ESI National Plus Network" means ESI's broadest Participating Pharmacy network which as of the effective date of this agreement includes over 60,000 participating pharmacy locations.<sup>1</sup>

"ESI Specialty Pharmacy" means CuraScript, Inc., Accredo Health Group, Inc., Express Scripts Specialty Distribution Services, Inc., or another pharmacy or home health agency wholly-owned or operated by ESI or one or more of its affiliates that primarily dispenses Specialty Products or provides services related thereto; provided, however, that when the Mail Service Pharmacy dispenses a Specialty Product, it shall be considered an ESI Specialty Pharmacy hereunder.

"Exclusive Products" means those Specialty Products only available through a single pharmacy provider as determined by the drug manufacturer.

"Formulary" means the list of FDA-approved prescription drugs and supplies developed by ESI's Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee and/or customized by Sponsor, and which is selected and/or adopted by Sponsor. The drugs and supplies included on the Formulary will be modified by ESI from time to time as a result of factors, including, but not limited to, medical appropriateness, manufacturer Rebate arrangements, and patent expirations. Additions and/or deletions to the Formulary are hereby adopted by Sponsor, subject to Sponsor's discretion to elect not to implement any such addition or deletion through the Set-Up Form process, which such election shall be considered a Sponsor change to the Formulary.



"Ingredient Cost Charge" means the ingredient cost portion of the amount charged by ESI to Sponsor for each Prescription Drug Claim, subject to the "lesser of" logic set forth on <u>Exhibit A</u>, as applicable.

"Limited Distribution" means those Specialty Products only available through select pharmacy providers as determined by the drug manufacturer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The ESI National Plus Network was historically referred to as the "EN50 Network" in ESI's network provider agreements with Participating Pharmacies, and is subject to future name change.

"MAC List" means a list of off-patent prescription drugs or supplies subject to maximum reimbursement payment schedules developed or selected by ESI.

"Mail Service Pharmacy" means a pharmacy wholly-owned or operated by ESI or one or more of its affiliates, other than an ESI Specialty Pharmacy, where prescriptions are filled and delivered to Members via mail delivery service.

"Manufacturer Administrative Fees" means those administrative fees paid by manufacturers to ESI in connection with ESI's invoicing, allocating and collecting the Rebates under the Rebate program.

"Maximum Reimbursement Amount" or "MRA" means the maximum unit ingredient cost payable by Sponsor for a drug on the MAC List based on maximum reimbursement payment schedule(s) developed or selected by ESI. The application of MRA pricing may be subject to certain "dispensed as written" (DAW) protocols and Sponsor defined plan design and coverage policies.

"Member" means each person who Sponsor determines is eligible to receive prescription drug benefits as indicated in the Eligibility Files.

"Member Submitted Claim" means a paper claim submitted by a Member for Covered Drugs dispensed by a pharmacy for which the Member paid cash.

"Participating Pharmacy" means any licensed retail pharmacy with which ESI or one or more of its affiliates has executed an agreement to provide Covered Drugs to Members, but shall not include any mail order or specialty pharmacy affiliated with any such Participating Pharmacy. Participating Pharmacies are independent contractors of ESI.

"Plan" means the self-funded prescription drug benefit plan(s) administered by Sponsor or a subsidiary or affiliate of Sponsor (including any retiree or Medicare employer group waiver plans).

"PMPM" means per Member per month fee, if applicable, as determined by ESI from the Eligibility Files.

"Prescription Drug Claim" or "Prescription Claim" means a Member Submitted Claim, Subrogation Claim or claim for payment submitted to ESI by a Participating Pharmacy, Mail Service Pharmacy, or ESI Specialty Pharmacy as a result of dispensing Covered Drugs to a Member.

"Prescription Drug Program" means the pharmacy benefit management services and benefit design adopted by, and applicable to, Sponsor under this Agreement.

"Rebates" mean retrospective formulary rebates that are paid to ESI pursuant to the terms of a formulary rebate contract negotiated independently by ESI and directly attributable to the utilization of certain Covered Drugs by Members. For sake of clarity, Rebates do not include, for example, Manufacturer Administrative Fees; inflation payments; product discounts or fees related to the procurement of prescription drug inventories by ESI Specialty Pharmacy or the Mail Service Pharmacy; fees received by ESI from pharmaceutical manufacturers for care management or other services provided in connection with the dispensing of products; or other fee-for-service arrangements whereby pharmaceutical manufacturers generally report the fees paid to ESI or its wholly-owned subsidiaries for services rendered as "bona fide service fees" pursuant to federal laws and regulations (collectively, "Other Pharma Revenue"). Such laws and regulations, as well as ESI's contracts with pharmaceutical manufacturers, generally prohibit ESI from sharing any such "bona fide service fees" earned by ESI, whether wholly or in part, with any ESI client.

"Set-Up Forms" means any standard ESI document or form, which when completed and signed by Sponsor (electronic communications from Sponsor indicating Sponsor's approval of a Set-Up Form shall satisfy the foregoing), will describe the essential benefit elements and coverage rules adopted by Sponsor for its Plan or Prescription Drug Program, including implementation rules, coverage and benefit designs, and clinical and trend programs, as may be amended by Sponsor or Client from time to time.

"Specialty Product List" means the standard list of Specialty Products and their reimbursement rates applicable to Sponsor and maintained and updated by ESI from time to time. The Specialty Product List is available to Sponsor upon request.

"Specialty Products" means those injectable and non-injectable drugs on the Specialty Product List. Specialty Products, which may be administered by any route of administration, are typically used to treat chronic or complex conditions, and typically have one or more of several key characteristics, including frequent dosing adjustments and intensive clinical monitoring to decrease the potential for drug toxicity and increase the probability for beneficial treatment outcomes; intensive patient training and compliance assistance to facilitate therapeutic goals; limited or exclusive product availability and distribution (if a drug is only available through limited specialty pharmacy distribution it is always considered a Specialty Product); specialized product handling and/or administration requirements.

"Subrogation Claim" means subrogation claims submitted by any state or a person or entity acting on behalf of a state under Medicaid or similar United States or state government health care programs, for which Sponsor is deemed to be the primary payor by operation of applicable federal or state laws.

"UM Company" means MCMC, LLC or other independent third party utilization management company contracted by ESI, subject to and as further described in Sections 2.3 (d) and (e).

"Usual and Customary Price" or "U&C" means the retail price charged by a Participating Pharmacy for the particular drug in a cash transaction on the date the drug is dispensed as reported to ESI by the Participating Pharmacy.

"Vaccine Claim" means a claim for a Covered Drug which is a vaccine.

"Vendor Transaction Fee" means the data interchange fee that ESI is charged by its third party vendor to convert Vaccine Claims submitted electronically by physicians to NCPDP 5.1 format in order for ESI to process the claim.

## **ARTICLE II - PBM SERVICES**

2.1 <u>Eligibility/Set Up</u>. Sponsor will submit completed Set-Up Forms and Eligibility Files (initial and updated) on a mutually determined basis, which ESI will accurately implement. Changes to the Set-Up Forms must be documented on ESI's standard amendment forms. Eligibility performed manually by ESI for Sponsor, or material changes to the Eligibility File processes requested by Sponsor during the term may be subject to additional fees set forth on <u>Exhibit A</u>. Sponsor will be responsible for all Prescription Drug Claims during the period of the Member's eligibility as indicated on the Eligibility File including for retroactively termed Members, except in the event of ESI's negligence.

## 2.2 Pharmacy Network.

(a) <u>Participating Pharmacies</u>. ESI will maintain a network(s) of Participating Pharmacies as identified in <u>Exhibit A</u>, and will make available an updated list of Participating Pharmacies on-line. ESI maintains multiple networks and subnetworks, and periodically consolidates networks or migrates clients to other networks and subnetworks. If, due to an access concern, Sponsor requests that ESI attempt to add a particular retail pharmacy to the network of Participating Pharmacies serving Sponsor and its Members hereunder, ESI will make commercially reasonable efforts to add any such pharmacy to the Participating Pharmacy network for Sponsor, provided that such pharmacy meets ESI's network participation requirements and agrees to ESI's standard terms and conditions. If any such pharmacy meets ESI's network rates (i.e., the particular pharmacy will only agree to higher than standard reimbursement rates), and Sponsor nevertheless requests that ESI add such pharmacy, the rate charged to Sponsor for Prescription Drug Claims processed through such pharmacy (assuming ESI agrees to contract with such pharmacy) will be the net ingredient cost plus the dispensing fee paid by ESI to such Participating Pharmacy (plus applicable sales or excise tax or other governmental surcharge, if any). All such Prescription Drug Claims will be excluded from the pricing guarantees set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u>.

(i) ESI will require each Participating Pharmacy to meet ESI's network participation requirements, including but not limited to licensure, insurance and provider agreement requirements. ESI also provides a standard suite of pharmacy audit services to determine Participating Pharmacies' compliance with their provider agreement billing requirements. ESI will attempt recovery of identified overpayments through offset, demand or other reasonable means; provided that ESI will not be required to institute litigation. Recovered overpayments are credited to Sponsor. Copies of participation requirements and auditing processes are available upon request.

(ii) ESI does not direct or exercise any control over the Participating Pharmacies or the professional judgment exercised by any pharmacist in dispensing prescriptions or otherwise providing pharmaceutical related services at a Participating Pharmacy. ESI shall have no liability to Sponsor, any Member or any other person or entity for any act or omission of any Participating Pharmacy or it agents or employees.

(b) <u>Mail Service Pharmacy</u>. Members may have prescriptions filled through the Mail Service Pharmacy. Subject to applicable law, ESI may communicate with Members regarding benefit design, cost savings, availability and use of the Mail Service Pharmacy, as well as provide supporting services. ESI may suspend Mail Service Pharmacy services to a Member who is in default of any Copayment amount due ESI.

(c) <u>Specialty Products and ASES</u>. Members may have prescriptions filled through ESI Specialty Pharmacy. Subject to applicable law, ESI and ESI Specialty Pharmacy may communicate with Members and physicians to advise Members filling Specialty Products at Participating Pharmacies of the availability of filling prescriptions through ESI Specialty Pharmacy. Specialty Products will be excluded from any price guarantees set forth in the Agreement. In no event will the Mail Service Pharmacy or Participating Pharmacy pricing specified in the Agreement apply to Specialty Products.

(i) ESI will notify Sponsor no more frequently than monthly of new Specialty Products that are introduced to the market on or after the Effective Date of this Agreement with their applicable reimbursement rates ("Notice"). The parties agree as follows:

(A) If Sponsor has expressly excluded a specific therapy class or product on a Set-Up Form, Specialty Products in such excluded classes will automatically be deemed excluded from coverage and will reject as "NDC Not Covered" through Participating Pharmacies, Mail Service Pharmacy and ESI Specialty Pharmacy; otherwise, subject to (B) below, all other Specialty Products will be implemented as Covered Drugs at the rate specified in the applicable Specialty Drug list or Notice. If Sponsor desires to cover otherwise excluded Specialty Products, Sponsor must notify ESI in writing that it desires to cover the Specialty Product before ESI will adjudicate as a Covered Drug, and if ESI receives such confirmation of coverage from Sponsor such Specialty Product will be loaded thereafter as a Covered Drug at the applicable reimbursement rate set forth in the Notice.

(B) Sponsor must notify ESI in writing if it wants to exclude the Specialty Product from coverage. The exclusion will be implemented within seven (7) business days after the date of ESI's receipt of such notification. There will not be any retroactive denials for Prescription Drug Claims processed prior to ESI's receipt of the rejection notice and implementation of the exclusion as provided above and Sponsor will be responsible for the payment of such Prescription Drug Claims processed prior to the rejection of coverage.

(ii) For Specialty Products filled through ESI Specialty Pharmacy only, Members may receive the following services from ESI Specialty Pharmacy, depending on the particular therapy class or disease state: ASES; patient intake services; pharmacy dispensing services and/or social services (patient advocacy, hardship reimbursement support, and indigent and patient assistance programs).

(iii) Subject to Sponsor's prior authorization requirements, if applicable, at the rates set forth in <u>Exhibit</u> <u>A</u>, ESI will provide or coordinate ASES for Members through ESI Specialty Pharmacy or through other specialty pharmacies or other independent third party providers of ASES when ASES is required. If ESI or ESI Specialty Pharmacy engages a third party provider of ASES, ESI or ESI Specialty Pharmacy shall contractually obligate such third party provider of ASES to comply with all applicable laws, including, without limitation, all applicable laws relating to professional licensure. ESI does not direct or exercise any control over any third party provider of ASES in administering Specialty Products or otherwise providing ASES.

(iv) Ancillary supplies, equipment, and services provided or coordinated in connection with the dispensing of Specialty Products at Participating Pharmacies (for example, limited distribution products not then available through ESI Specialty Pharmacy or overrides) will be billed to Sponsor at the cost charged to ESI for such ancillary supplies, equipment, and services provided or coordinated, unless such ancillary supplies, equipment, and services provided in the ingredient cost of the Specialty Product.

## 2.3 <u>Claims Processing</u>.

### (a) <u>Claims Processing</u>.

(i) ESI will perform claims processing services for Covered Drugs dispensed by Participating Pharmacies, Mail Service and ESI Specialty Pharmacy.

(ii) In connection with each prescription submitted for processing on-line by a Participating Pharmacy, ESI will perform standard drug utilization review ("DUR") in order to assist the dispensing pharmacist and prescribing physician in identifying potential drug interactions, incorrect prescriptions or dosages, and certain other circumstances that may be indicative of inappropriate prescription drug usage. ESI's DUR processes are not intended to substitute for the professional judgment of the prescriber, the dispensing pharmacist or any other health care professional providing services to the Member.

(iii) If elected by Sponsor, ESI will process Member Submitted Claims in accordance with the rules in the Set-Up Forms and ESI's standard procedures.

(iv) If authorized by Sponsor on the Set-Up Forms, ESI will process Subrogation Claims in accordance with applicable federal and state laws, in which case Sponsor will pay such Subrogation Claims in accordance with Article III and Exhibit A. If Sponsor does not authorize ESI to process Subrogation Claims, ESI will reject the claim and refer claimants to Sponsor regarding such claims, in accordance with applicable federal and state laws. ESI is not legally responsible to pay Subrogation Claims to the extent Sponsor is not timely paying ESI with respect to such Subrogation Claims.

(v) Sponsor or its third party designee (as applicable) will have the final responsibility for all decisions with respect to coverage of a Prescription Drug Claim and the benefits allowable under the Plan, including determining whether any rejected or disputed claim will be allowed.

(b) <u>Prior Authorization</u>. For the fees set forth in the Clinical Addendum described in <u>Exhibit A-2</u> (if applicable), ESI will provide prior authorization ("PA") services as specified and directed by Sponsor for drugs designated on the Set-Up Form. Prior authorized drugs must meet Sponsor-approved guidelines ("Guidelines") before they are deemed to be Covered Drugs. Unless Sponsor otherwise directs, Sponsor hereby authorizes coverage for an otherwise excluded use in the event of co-morbidities, complications and other factors not otherwise expressly set forth in the Guidelines. In determining whether to authorize coverage of such drug under the PA Program, ESI will apply only the Guidelines and may rely entirely upon information about the Member and the diagnosis of the Member's condition provided to it from the prescriber. ESI will not undertake to determine medical necessity, make diagnoses or substitute ESI's judgment for the professional judgment and responsibility of the prescriber.

(c) <u>Claims for Benefits</u>. ESI will process initial "claims for benefits" for Member Submitted Claims and PA requests consistent with the ERISA claims rules set forth in 29 CFR Part 2560 (or applicable state law if a non-ERISA plan) ("Claims Rules"). Sponsor may elect to have ESI perform appeals services in connection with denied "claims for benefits" for the fees set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u>, or facilitate such services through Sponsor or a third party of Sponsor's choice. If Sponsor elects to conduct its own appeals or facilitate through a third party of Sponsor's choice, ESI will route Member appeals to Sponsor or other Sponsor designated entity. If Sponsor elects to have ESI perform appeals services, Sponsor agrees that ESI may perform such services through the UM Company. Through its contract with ESI, the UM Company has agreed to be, and will serve as, the named fiduciary for its performance of such appeals. ESI also agrees to accept fiduciary status solely with respect to its performance of any appeal.

(d) <u>UM Company</u>. In the event ESI performs appeals services, or facilitates the performance of appeals services through the UM Company, ESI or the UM Company, as applicable, will be responsible for conducting the appeal on behalf of Sponsor in accordance with the Claims Rules. ESI represents to Sponsor that UM Company has contractually agreed that: (A) UM Company will conduct appeals in accordance with the Claims Rules and Sponsor's plan, (B) Sponsor is a third party beneficiary of UM Company vill indemnify Sponsor for third party claims caused by the UM Company's negligence or willful misconduct in providing the appeal services.

## (e) External Review Services.

ESI will not conduct any external review services (as defined in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 and its implementing regulations ("PPACA")); provided, however, Sponsor may elect to have UM Company facilitate

the provision of external review services through UM company contracted IROs (as such term is defined in PPACA), for the fees set forth on <u>Exhibit A</u> below (if applicable). Sponsor must execute a standard ESI "External Appeals Services" Set-Up Form, which may be requested through ESI Account Management, in order to receive such services from UM Company.

In the event that Sponsor elects to utilize UM Company to facilitate the provision of external review services through UM Company contracted IROs, UM Company will be responsible for facilitating all such appeals (and the IROs will be responsible for providing all such appeals) in accordance with PPACA and all other applicable federal and state laws, and Sponsor hereby acknowledges and agrees that:

(i) UM Company (with respect to facilitating the external reviews) and the IROs (with respect to performing the external reviews), and not ESI, will be providing external review services; UM Company is an independent contractor of ESI; the IROs are independent contractors of UM Company and not ESI; and ESI does not in any way control or direct either UM Company or the IROs with respect to facilitation or performance of external review services provided by each respectively.

(ii) ESI represents to Sponsor that UM Company has contractually agreed that: (A) UM Company will facilitate all external review services in accordance with PPACA and all other applicable federal and state laws; (B) UM Company will contractually require its contracted IROs to perform all external reviews in accordance with PPACA and all other applicable federal and state laws; (C) to the extent not prohibited by law, UM Company will indemnify, defend and hold Sponsor harmless from and against any and all losses, damages, injuries, causes of action, claims, demands and expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees, costs and expenses), arising out of, resulting from, or related to any act, omission or default by the IROs in their performance of the external reviews; and (D) Sponsor has third party beneficiary rights to enforce the preceding indemnification and hold harmless provision.

(f) <u>Call Center</u>. ESI will provide 24-hours a day, 7-days a week toll-free telephone, IVR and Internet support to assist Sponsor, Sponsor's agents and Members with Member eligibility and benefits verification, location of Participating Pharmacies or other related Member concerns.

## 2.4 Formulary Support and Rebate Management.

(a) <u>Formulary Adherence and Clinical Programs</u>. ESI may provide clinical, safety, adherence, and other like programs as appropriate. The Clinical Addendum described in <u>Exhibit A-2</u> sets forth certain available adherence, clinical, safety and/or trend programs that require additional fees hereunder. ESI will not implement any program for which Sponsor may incur an additional fee without Sponsor's prior written approval and election of such program.

(b) <u>Rebate Program</u>. Subject to the remaining terms of this Agreement, ESI will pay to Sponsor the amounts set forth on <u>Exhibit A</u>.

## 2.5 <u>Program Operations</u>.

(a) <u>Reporting</u>. ESI will make available to Sponsor ESI's on-line standard management information reporting applications. Upon Sponsor's request, ESI may develop special reporting packages or perform custom programming at ESI's standard hourly rate for such services, as set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u>.

(b) <u>Claims Data</u>.

(i) <u>Claims Data Retention</u>. ESI will retain Sponsor's claims data for a total of ten (10) years from the date the prescription is filled. Thereafter ESI will dispose of such data in accordance with its standard policies and practices and applicable state and federal law. Disposition of PHI shall be in accordance with the Business Associate Agreement.

(ii) <u>Claims Data to Vendors</u>. Upon Sponsor's written request and at no additional charge, ESI will provide regular prescription claims data in ESI's standard format(s) to Sponsor's vendors ("Vendors") for disease management, flexible savings account and other "payment," "treatment" and "healthcare operations" purposes (as defined under HIPAA). Requests for retrieval of data beyond thirty (30) months are subject to the hourly custom programming charge set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u>.

(iii) <u>De-Identified Claims Data</u>. ESI or its affiliates may use and disclose both during and after the term of this Agreement the anonymized claims data (de-identified in accordance with HIPAA) including drug and related medical data collected by ESI or provided to ESI by Sponsor for research; provider profiling; benchmarking, drug trend, and cost and other internal analyses and comparisons; clinical, safety and/or trend programs; ASES; or other business purposes of ESI or its affiliates, in all cases subject to applicable law.

(c) <u>Sponsor Audits</u>. Provided that this Agreement has been duly executed by Sponsor and Sponsor is current in the payment of invoices under this Agreement, Sponsor may, upon no less than thirty (30) days prior written request, audit ESI's provision of services hereunder, the scope of which shall be to verify compliance with the financial terms of this Agreement, on an annual basis consistent with the Audit Protocol set forth in <u>Exhibit B</u>. Sponsor may use an independent third party auditor ("Auditor"), so long as such Auditor is not engaged in providing services for Sponsor or otherwise that conflict with the scope or independent nature of the audit (as determined by ESI acting reasonably and in good faith), and provided that Sponsor's Auditor executes a mutually acceptable confidentiality agreement. Any request by Sponsor to permit an Auditor to perform an audit will constitute Sponsor's direction and authorization to ESI to disclose PHI to the Auditor.

(d) <u>Performance Standards</u>. ESI will conform to the performance standards set forth on <u>Exhibit E</u> hereto. The payments set forth in <u>Exhibit E</u> will be Sponsor's sole monetary remedy for any failure by ESI to meet a performance standard in addition to any correction or reimbursement associated with payment or billing errors.

## 2.6 <u>Pharmacy Management Funds ("PMF")</u>.

(a) ESI will provide up to

to reimburse the actual, fair market value of: (i) expense items and services related to transitioning, administering, and implementing the pharmacy benefit initially and throughout the term, such as, custom ID Cards, IT programming, custom formulary letters, member communications, and benefit set-up quality assurance; and/or (ii) mutually agreed upon expense items and services related to implementation of additional clinical or other similar programs provided by ESI throughout the Term; in either case subject to submission of adequate documentation to support reimbursement within 180 days of incurring the applicable expense. Both Sponsor and ESI (upon agreement from Sponsor) may use the PMF to cover the fair market value of expenses for projects requiring joint resources. All reimbursement under the PMF is subject to ESI's standard PMF business practices for all clients.

(b) Sponsor represents and warrants that: (i) it will only request reimbursement under the PMF for its actual expenses incurred in transitioning, administering, and implementing the pharmacy benefit managed by ESI hereunder, and/or the additional clinical or other similar program provided by ESI throughout the Term; (ii) that the applicable service, item or program was actually performed or provided; (iii) the amount of the reimbursement is equal to or less than the reasonable fair market value of the actual expenses incurred by Sponsor; (iv) it will notify and disclose the amount and the terms of any PMF reimbursements to Members and other third parties to the extent required by applicable laws and regulations. In addition, if the Sponsor and the Plan are subject to ERISA, Sponsor represents and warrants that it will only request reimbursement under the PMF for items or services for which Sponsor, in the absence of the PMF, would be allowed reimbursement from the Plan (i.e., not "settlor functions").

(c) Sponsor shall comply with all applicable federal and state requirements, including, but not limited to, all applicable federal and state reporting requirements with respect to any expense, item or service reimbursed under this Section 2.6. ESI reserves the right to periodically audit the books and records of Sponsor on-site, during normal business hours and after giving reasonable advance notice, for the purposes of verifying Sponsor's compliance with the PMF requirements set forth in this Agreement.

(d) ESI intends to amortize the PMF over the Initial Term of the Agreement on a straight-line basis. In the event of a termination of this Agreement for any reason other than ESI's uncured material breach prior to the expiration of the Initial Term, Sponsor will reimburse ESI an amount equal to any paid but unamortized portion of the PMF. Reimbursement to ESI by Sponsor pursuant to this Section will not be in lieu of any other rights or remedies ESI may have in connection with the termination of this Agreement, including monetary or other damages. PMF reimbursements shall not be paid prior to the Effective Date of this Agreement and are not payable until this Agreement is executed. Sponsor will have no right to interest on, or the time value of, any PMF, and unused funds shall be retained by ESI.

## ARTICLE III - FEES; BILLING AND PAYMENT

3.1 <u>Fees</u>. In consideration of the PBM Services provided by ESI, Sponsor will pay the applicable claims reimbursement amounts ("Claims Reimbursements") and other administrative fees ("Administrative Fees") pursuant to the

terms set forth on <u>Exhibit A</u> ("Claims Reimbursements," "Administrative Fees" and any other charge or fee that is the responsibility of Sponsor as may be described elsewhere in this Agreement are hereinafter referred to collectively as "Fees").

3.2 <u>Billing and Payment</u>.



(c) <u>Deposit</u>. If, at any time: (i) Sponsor has two or more invoices past due and outstanding, or (ii) ESI has reasonable grounds to believe Sponsor may be delinquent in payment of fees based on Sponsor's financial data (e.g., persistent negative cash flow, bankruptcy or insolvency), ESI may require that the Sponsor provide to ESI a deposit in an amount equal to the average of the last three (3) months of billing history as the basis for determining the one (1) month deposit amount or, if three (3) months billing history is not available, the most recent month of billing history as the basis. ESI will retain the deposit until the earlier of termination of this Agreement (following any run-off period), or six (6) consecutive months of timely payments of all Fees following submission of the deposit, and may apply the deposit to delinquent fees until return of the deposit.

### 3.3 <u>TPPM FeesProgram Management Fees</u>.

ESI agrees to facilitate the TPPM Fees subject to the

following:

(a) Sponsor has executed this Agreement, and Sponsor is current in its payment obligations to ESI. ESI understands that Sponsor may direct ESI to cease paying TPPM Fees, and Sponsor shall hold ESI harmless with respect to any dispute between Sponsor and Consultant regarding the TPPM Fees if ESI has paid such TPPM Fees in accordance with the terms above. In the event Sponsor so directs ESI to cease facilitating the payment of such TPPM Fees to to execute a new Agreement between ESI and Sponsor. Such new agreement will contain different terms, conditions and pricing than those in the then-current Agreement. Such terms, conditions and pricing will reflect the purchasing power of the Sponsor in the open market and not of the sponsor.

(b) Sponsor represents that TPPM Fees represent fair and reasonable compensation for actual services rendered or to be rendered to Sponsor. ESI will not pay per prescription TPPM Fees on Medicare subsidy utilization. TPPM Fees shall be paid from ESI's general assets and client agrees that commissions do not constitute "plan assets" of the Sponsor.

(c) No TPPM Fees under this section shall be paid with respect to members of Sponsor's Medicare employer group waiver plans, if any.

(d) The monthly TPPM Fees will be remitted within 30 days after the close of each month

after ESI receives a fully executed Agreement from Sponsor.

## **ARTICLE IV – HIPAA; CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

4.1 <u>HIPAA</u>. The parties agree that as relates to use and disclosure of PHI, electronic transaction standards and security of electronic PHI under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as amended, they are subject to the terms of the Business Associate Agreement set forth in <u>Exhibit C</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the parties acknowledge that in providing services to Members, ESI Specialty Pharmacy and the Mail Service Pharmacy are acting as separate health care provider covered entities under HIPAA and not as business associates to the Plan covered by the Business Associate Agreement. In providing services, ESI Specialty Pharmacy and the Mail Services Pharmacy shall abide by all HIPAA requirements applicable to covered entities and shall safeguard, use and disclose Member PHI accordingly.

## 4.2 <u>Confidential Information</u>.

Each party agrees that the terms of this Agreement and information of the other party, including, but not (a) limited to the following, will constitute confidential and proprietary information ("Confidential Information"): (i) with respect to ESI: ESI's reporting and other web-based applications, eligibility and adjudication systems, system formats and databanks (collectively, "ESI's Systems"), clinical or formulary management operations or programs, fraud, waste and abuse tools and programs, anonymized claims data (de-identified in accordance with HIPAA); ESI Specialty Pharmacy and Mail Service Pharmacy data; information and contracts relating to Rebates and Manufacturer Administrative Fees, prescription drug evaluation criteria, drug pricing information, and Participating Pharmacy agreements; and (ii) with respect to Sponsor: Participating Pharmacy Sponsor and Member identifiable health information and data, Eligibility Files, Set-Up Form information, business operations and strategies. Neither party will use the other's Confidential Information, or disclose it or this Agreement to any third party (other than Sponsor attorneys and accountants), at any time during or after termination of this Agreement, except as specifically contemplated by this Agreement or upon prior written consent, which will not unreasonably be withheld. Upon termination of this Agreement, each party will cease using the other's Confidential Information, and all such information will be returned or destroyed upon the owner's direction. Confidential Information does not include information which is or becomes generally available to the public; was within the recipient's possession or knowledge prior to its being furnished to the recipient pursuant to this Agreement, or is independently developed by the recipient under circumstances not involving a breach of this Agreement.

(b) Sponsor will not, and will not permit any third party acting on Sponsor's behalf to, access, attempt to access, test or audit ESI's Systems or any other system or network connected to ESI's Systems. Without limiting the foregoing, Sponsor will not: access or attempt to access any portion or feature of ESI's Systems, by circumventing ESI's Systems access control measures, either by hacking, password "mining" or any other means; or probe, scan, audit or test the vulnerability of ESI's Systems, nor breach the security or authentication measures of ESI's Systems.

## ARTICLE V - COMPLIANCE WITH LAW; FIDUCIARY ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS; FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

5.1 <u>Compliance with Law; Change in Law</u>. Each party shall be responsible for ensuring its compliance with any laws and regulations applicable to its business, including maintaining any necessary licenses and permits. Sponsor shall be responsible for any governmental or regulatory charges and taxes imposed upon or related to the services provided hereunder. With respect to any Plan that is subject to the provisions of ERISA, the Sponsor or the plan sponsor shall ensure that its activities in regard to such program are in compliance with ERISA, and shall be responsible for disclosing to Members any and all information relating to the Plan and this Agreement as required by law to be disclosed, including any information relating to Plan coverage and eligibility requirements, commissions, rebates, discounts, or provider discounts referred to in Section 5.3 hereof. If there is a new or change in federal or state laws or regulations or the interpretation thereof, or any government, judicial or legal action that, among other things, materially burdens ESI, requires ESI to increase payments or shorten payment times for Covered Drugs to Participating Pharmacies, or materially changes the scope of services hereunder (a "Change in Law"), then there shall be an appropriate modification of the services, reimbursement rates, Administrative Fees and/or Rebates hereunder. If the parties cannot agree on a modification or adjusted fee or rates, then either party may terminate the Agreement on thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other.

ESI offers pharmacy benefit management services, products and programs 5.2 Fiduciary Acknowledgements. ("PBM Products") for consideration by all clients, including Sponsor. The general parameters of the PBM Products, and the systems that support these products, have been developed by ESI as part of ESI's administration of its business as a PBM. The parties agree that they have negotiated the financial terms of this Agreement in an arm's-length fashion. Sponsor acknowledges and agrees that, except for the limited purpose set forth in Section 2.3(c), neither it nor the Plan intends for ESI to be a fiduciary (as defined under ERISA or state law) of the Plan, and, except for the limited purpose as set forth in Section 2.3(c), neither will name ESI or any of ESI's wholly-owned subsidiaries or affiliates as a "plan fiduciary." Sponsor further acknowledges and agrees that neither ESI nor any of ESI's wholly-owned subsidiaries or affiliates: (a) have any discretionary authority or control respecting management of the Plan's prescription benefit program, except as set forth in Section 2.3(c), or (b) exercise any authority or control respecting management or disposition of the assets of the Plan or Sponsor. Sponsor further acknowledges that all such discretionary authority and control with respect to the management of the Plan and plan assets is retained by Sponsor or the Plan. Upon reasonable notice, ESI will have the right to terminate PBM Services to any Plan (or, if applicable, Members) located in a state requiring a pharmacy benefit manager to be a fiduciary to Sponsor, a Plan, or a Member in any capacity.

5.3 <u>Disclosure of Certain Financial Matters</u>. In addition to the Administrative Fees paid to ESI by Sponsor, ESI and ESI's wholly-owned subsidiaries or affiliates derive revenue in one or more of the ways as further described in the

Financial Disclosure to ESI PBM Clients set forth in <u>Exhibit D</u> hereto ("Financial Disclosure"), as updated by ESI from time to time. Unlike the Administrative Fees, the revenues described in the Financial Disclosure are not direct or indirect compensation to ESI from Sponsor for services rendered to Sponsor or the Plan under this Agreement. In negotiating any of the fees and revenues described in the Financial Disclosure or in this Agreement, ESI and ESI's wholly-owned subsidiaries and affiliates act on their own behalf, and not for the benefit of or as agents for Sponsor, Members or the Plan. ESI and ESI's wholly-owned subsidiaries and affiliates and affiliates and affiliates and affiliates and affiliates retain all proprietary rights and beneficial interest in such fees and revenues described in the Financial Disclosure and, accordingly, Sponsor acknowledges that neither it, any Member, nor the Plan, has a right to receive, or possesses any beneficial interest in, any such fees or revenues; provided, that ESI will pay Sponsor amounts equal to the amounts expressly set forth on <u>Exhibit A</u>.

## **ARTICLE VI - TERM AND TERMINATION; DEFAULT AND REMEDIES**

## 6.1 <u>Term</u>.

(a) This Agreement will commence effective as of June 1, 2016 ("Effective Date"), and will continue until December 31, 2019 ("Initial Term"), and may be terminated earlier or extended in accordance with the terms of Section 6.2 below. Thereafter, this Agreement will automatically renew with the same terms and conditions as set forth herein for successive one (1) year renewal terms, subject to the right of termination as otherwise provided herein. In no event shall the Agreement exceed a total of eight (8) years. The parties, however, acknowledge and agree that the adjudication rates and any other term requiring account set up on the part of ESI set forth in this Agreement will not commence until July 15, 2016.

(b) <u>Without Cause</u>. Following December 31, 2017 (but not before), either party may terminate this Agreement for any reason or for no reason upon ninety (90) days prior written notice of such termination to the other party. In the event Sponsor terminates this Agreement without cause prior to January 1, 2018, ESI shall retain any and all unpaid Rebates due to Sponsor as a penalty for such early termination.

### 6.2 <u>Termination</u>.

(a) <u>Breach or Default</u>. Either party may give the other written notice of a material, substantial and continuing breach of this Agreement. If the breaching party has not cured said breach within thirty (30) days from the date such notice was sent, this Agreement may be terminated at the option of the non-breaching party. If the amount of time commercially reasonable for the breach to be cured is longer than thirty (30) days, this Agreement may not be terminated by the non-breaching party pursuant to this provision until such commercially reasonable period of time has elapsed; provided, however, that in no event will such period exceed sixty (60) days.

(b) <u>Non-Payment</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, ESI (and its wholly-owned subsidiaries) may terminate or suspend their performance hereunder and cease providing or authorizing provision of Covered Drugs to Members upon forty-eight (48) hours written notice if Sponsor fails to pay ESI or provide a deposit, if required, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. ESI attempts collection through written and verbal communications with Sponsor prior to sending the notice described herein.

(c) <u>Obligations Upon Termination</u>. Upon notice of termination of this Agreement, the parties will mutually develop a run-off plan providing for: (i) Sponsor notification to Members of the timing of any transition to a successor pharmacy benefit manager at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of such termination; (ii) ESI provision of open Mail Service Pharmacy refill files and standard claims data and PA files for transition to the successor pharmacy benefit manager in accordance with then existing industry protocol; and (iii) whether Sponsor elects for ESI to process Participating Pharmacy or Member Submitted Claims for prescriptions filled during the Term but filed with ESI after the effective date of termination ("Termination Date"). Sponsor will continue to pay ESI in accordance with this Agreement for any Fees for PBM Services provided during the term and any run-off period. ESI will continue filing for Rebates for claims incurred prior to the Termination Date and will, subject to final reconciliation of any outstanding amounts owed by Sponsor to ESI, pay Sponsor Rebates for such claims in accordance with the Rebate payment schedule set out herein. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, ESI shall not be obligated to provide post-transition services following the transition to the successor pharmacy benefit manager and conclusion of the run-off period, including, but not limited to, the provision of continued data reporting, reporting, consultation, or analysis.

## 6.3 <u>Remedies</u>.

(a) <u>Remedies Not Exclusive</u>. A party's right to terminate this Agreement under Article VI will not be exclusive of any other remedies available to the terminating party under this Agreement or otherwise, at law or in equity.

(b) <u>Force Majeure</u>. Neither party will lose any rights under this Agreement or be liable in any manner for any delay to perform its obligations under this Agreement that are beyond a party's reasonable control, including, without limitation, any delay or failure due to riots, earthquakes, storms, floods or other extreme weather conditions, fires, acts of terrorism, epidemics, embargoes, war or other outbreak of hostilities, government acts or regulations, the failure or inability of carriers, suppliers, or telecommunications providers to provide services necessary to enable a party to perform its obligations hereunder, or any other reason where failure to perform is beyond the party's reasonable control, and is not caused by the negligence, intentional conduct or misconduct of the defaulting party; *provided, however*, that this clause may not be invoked to excuse a party's payment obligations hereunder. ESI represents that it maintains and continually updates a business continuity plan designed to mitigate any disruption to the services provided by ESI under this Agreement.

(c) <u>Limitation of Liability</u>. Except for the indemnification obligations set forth in Section 6.3(d), each party's liability to the other hereunder will in no event exceed the actual proximate losses or damages caused by breach of this Agreement. In no event will either party or any of their respective affiliates, directors, employees or agents, be liable for any indirect, special, incidental, consequential, exemplary or punitive damages, or any damages for lost profits relating to a relationship with a third party, however caused or arising, whether or not they have been informed of the possibility of their occurrence.

## (d) Indemnification.

(i) In addition to any indemnification obligations set forth in the Business Associate Agreement, ESI will indemnify and hold Sponsor harmless from and against any loss, cost, damage, expense or other liability, including, without limitation, reasonable costs and attorney fees ("Costs") incurred in connection with any and all third party claims, suits, investigations or enforcement actions ("Claims") which may be asserted against, imposed upon or incurred by Sponsor and arising as a result of (A) ESI's negligent acts or omissions or willful misconduct (including those of the Mail Service Pharmacy and ESI Specialty Pharmacy), or (B) ESI's breach of this Agreement.

(ii) Sponsor will indemnify and hold ESI harmless from and against any Costs for Claims which may be asserted against, imposed upon or incurred by ESI and arising as a result of (A) Sponsor's negligent acts or omissions or willful misconduct, benefit design and coverage decisions, or breach of this Agreement, or (B) any improper use Sponsor, an Auditor or Vendor may make of PHI or ESI System access provided to such party.

(iii) As a condition of indemnification, the party seeking indemnification will notify the indemnifying party in writing promptly upon learning of any Claim for which indemnification may be sought hereunder, and will tender the defense of such claim to the indemnifying party. No party will be obligated to indemnify the other with respect to any claim settled without the written consent of the other.

6.4 <u>Survival</u>. The parties' rights and obligations under the Sections 2.5, Articles III, IV and V; and Sections 6.2(c), 6.3, 6.4, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4 and 7.6 will survive the termination of this Agreement for any reason.

## ARTICLE VII – MISCELLANEOUS

7.1 <u>Liability Insurance</u>. Each party will maintain such policies of general liability, professional liability and other insurance of the types, including self insurance, and in amounts customarily carried by their respective businesses. Proof of such insurance will be available upon request. ESI agrees, at its sole expense, to maintain during the term of this Agreement or any renewal hereof, commercial general liability insurance, pharmacists professional liability insurance for the Mail Service and ESI Specialty Pharmacy pharmacies, and managed care liability with limits, excess of a self insured retention, in amounts of not less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence and in the aggregate. ESI does not maintain liability insurance on behalf of any Participating Pharmacy, but does contractually require such pharmacies to maintain a minimum amount of commercial liability insurance or, when deemed acceptable by ESI, to have in place a self-insurance program

7.2 <u>Notice</u>. Any notice or document required or permitted to be delivered pursuant to this Agreement must be in writing and will be deemed to be effective upon mailing and must be either (a) deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, or (b) sent by recognized overnight delivery service, in either case properly addressed to the other party at the address set forth below, or at such other address as such party will specify from time to time by written notice delivered in accordance herewith:

Express Scripts, Inc. Attn: President One Express Way St. Louis, Missouri 63121 With copy to Legal Department Fax No. (800) 417-8163

Howard County Public Schools Attn: Bev Davis 10910 Clarksville Pike Ellicott City, Maryland 21042

7.3 <u>Independent Parties</u>. No provision of this Agreement is intended to create or will be construed to create any relationship between ESI and Sponsor other than that of independent entities contracting with each other solely for the purpose of effecting the provisions of this Agreement. Neither party, nor any of their respective representatives, will be construed to be the partner, agent, fiduciary, employee, or representative of the other and neither party will have the right to make any representations concerning the duties, obligations or services of the other except as consistent with the express terms of this Agreement or as otherwise authorized in writing by the party about which such representation is asserted.

7.4 <u>Assignment and Subcontracting</u>. Sponsor may assign this Agreement upon first obtaining ESI's written consent, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld following a standard credit review of the proposed assignee. Sponsor acknowledges and agrees that ESI may perform certain services hereunder (e.g., mail service pharmacy and specialty pharmacy services) through one or more ESI subsidiaries, affiliates, or designees. ESI is responsible and liable for the performance of its subsidiaries and affiliates in the course of their performance of any such service. To the extent that ESI subcontracts any PBM Service under this Agreement to a third party, ESI is responsible and liable for the performance of any such third party. In addition, ESI may contract with third party vendors to provide information technology support services and other ancillary services, which services are not PBM Services hereunder, but rather are services that support ESI's conduct of its business operations. This Agreement will be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by, the respective successors and permitted assigns of the parties hereto.

7.5 <u>Integration; Amendments</u>. This Agreement and any Exhibits hereto constitute the entire understanding of the parties hereto and supersedes any prior oral or written communication between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. If there is a separate Business Associate Agreement between the parties, such an agreement will be incorporated herein for all applicable purposes. No modification, alteration, or waiver of any term, covenant, or condition of this Agreement will be valid unless in writing and signed by the parties or the agents of the parties who are authorized in writing, except as may be otherwise permitted pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement or any Exhibit hereto.

7.6 <u>Choice of Law</u>. This Agreement will be construed and governed in all respects according to the laws in the State of Maryland, without regard to the rules of conflict of laws thereof.

7.7 <u>Waiver</u>. The failure of either party to insist upon the strict observation or performance of this Agreement or to exercise any right or remedy will not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach of this Agreement or impair or waive any available right or remedy.

7.8 <u>Trademarks</u>. Each party acknowledges each other party's sole and exclusive ownership of its respective trade names, commercial symbols, trademarks, and servicemarks, whether presently existing or later established (collectively "Marks"). No party shall use the other party's Marks in advertising or promotional materials or otherwise without the owner's prior written consent.

7.9 <u>Taxes and Assessments</u>. Any applicable sales, use, excise, or other similarly assessed and administered tax, surcharge, or fee imposed on items dispensed, or services provided hereunder, or the fees or revenues generated by the items dispensed or services provided hereunder, or any other amounts ESI or one or more of its subsidiaries or affiliates may incur or be required to pay arising from or relating to ESI's or its subsidiaries' or affiliates' performance of services as a pharmacy benefit manager, third-party administrator, or otherwise in any jurisdiction, will be the sole responsibility of Sponsor or the Member. If ESI is legally obligated to collect and remit, or to incur or pay, any such sales, use, excise, or other similarly assessed and administered tax, surcharge, or fee in a particular jurisdiction, such amount will be reflected on the applicable invoice or subsequently invoiced at such time as ESI becomes aware of such obligation or as such

obligation becomes due. ESI reserves the right to charge a reasonable administrative fee for collection and remittance services provided on behalf of Sponsor.

7.10 <u>Third Party Beneficiary Exclusion</u>. This Agreement is not a third party beneficiary contract, nor will this Agreement create any rights on behalf of Members as against ESI. Sponsor and ESI reserve the right to amend, cancel or terminate this Agreement without notice to, or consent of, any Member.

7.11 <u>Authority to Contract</u>. Sponsor hereby represents and warrants that it has obtained due and proper authority to enter into this Agreement through its governing body.

7.12 <u>Open Records Requests</u>. ESI acknowledges that Sponsor, as a government agency, may be subject to applicable freedom of information or open records laws and must, upon request, disclose such materials as are covered by and not exempted from such laws. Pursuant to Section 4.2 hereof, Sponsor acknowledges that certain information contained herein or subject to this Agreement is proprietary and confidential to ESI and shall be exempt from that Act to the fullest extent permitted by law. Sponsor agrees to give ESI notice and the minimum statutory or regulatory period of time to oppose, request redactions or limitations on any disclosures under a third party freedom of information or open records request pertaining to this Agreement or any proposal related hereto. This provision shall survive termination of the Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Pharmacy Benefit Management Agreement as of the day and year below set forth.

EXPRESS SCRIPTS, INC.

By: Dur	int Aburss
by	David I Brodsky

Printed Name:	VP   Commercial Div.		
Title:	1		
Date:	9/17/16		

BOARD OF EDUCATIOIN OF HOWARD COUNTY, MD

Printed Name: Douglas Pindell

Title: Director of Purchasing\_\_\_\_\_

Federal ID Number: 52-6000968

Date: Sept 2, 2016

## EXHIBIT A

## PHARMACY PROGRAM FEES

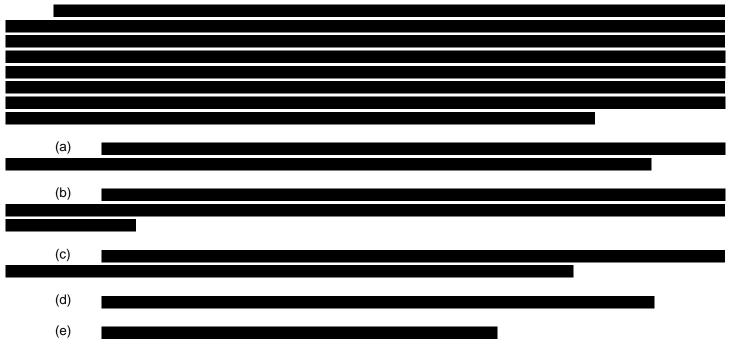


Exhibit A includes the following:

# Exhibit A-1

Pharmacy Reimbursement Rates

# Exhibit A-2

Administrative and Clinical Program Fees

## Exhibit A-3

Rebates – Non-Specialty Products

## Exhibit A-4

Rebates – Specialty Products

## Exhibit A-1

## Pharmacy Reimbursement Rates

ESI will adjudicate claims and bill Sponsor the amounts set forth below, net of applicable Copayments. Sales or excise tax or other governmental surcharge, if any, will be the responsibility of Sponsor.

## I. Participating Pharmacy Reimbursement Rates (Does Not Apply to Specialty Products)

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II. Mail Pharmacy Reimbursement Rate (Does Not Apply to Specialty Products).

III. Pricing Guarantees.





Type of Guarantee	ESI Specialty Pharmacy	Claims Excluded

## IV. Specialty Products

(a) <u>Exclusive Care</u>. ESI Specialty Pharmacy is the exclusive provider of Specialty Products for the reimbursement rates shown on the Exclusive ESI Specialty Pharmacy Specialty Product List. Any Specialty Product dispensed at a Participating Pharmacy (for example, limited distribution products not then available through ESI Specialty Pharmacy or overrides) will be reimbursed at the standard Participating Pharmacy Specialty Product rates shown below. Upon ESI Specialty Pharmacy acquisition of limited distribution products, Members will obtain prescriptions through ESI Specialty Pharmacy.

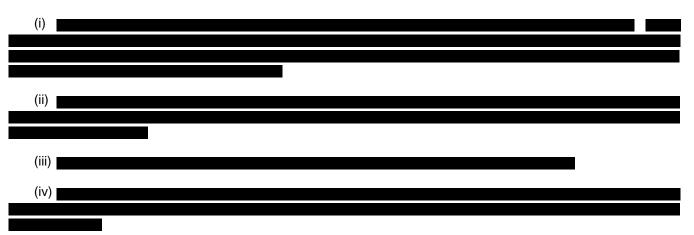


(b) For Specialty Products needing an additional charge to cover costs of all ASES required to administer the Specialty Products, the following standard per diem and nursing fee rates shall apply.

Therapeutic Class	Brand Name	Nursing & Per Diem
Immune Deficiency	All	
Metabolic Disorder	All	
PAH	Flolan , Veletri and Remodulin	
PAH	Epoprostenol Sodium (Generic Flolan)	
PAH	Ventavis	
PAH	Tyvaso	
Pulmonary	All	
Nursing Rates	All drugs / therapies requiring nursing	

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- V. <u>Vaccine Claims (No vaccine claims will be included in any pricing or rebate guarantee set forth in the Agreement).</u>
  - (a) General Terms applicable to Vaccine Claims



(b) Commercial Vaccine Claim Pricing

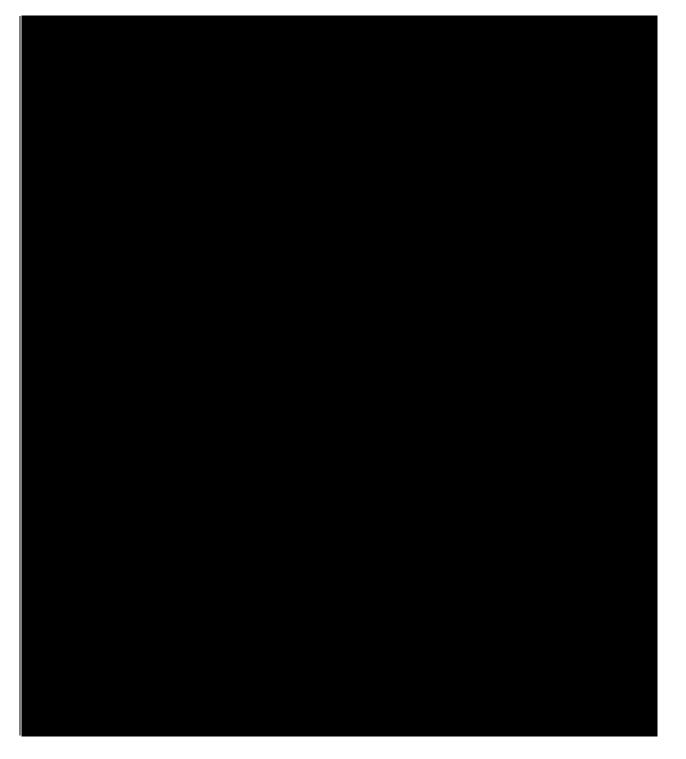
	Participating Pharmacy INFLUENZA	Participating Pharmacy ALL OTHER VACCINES	Member Submitted Vaccine Claims (excluding foreign claims)
Vaccine Administration Fee			
Ingredient Cost			
Dispensing Fee			
Administrative Fee/Vaccine Claim			
Vaccine Program Fee			

# Exhibit A-2

# Administrative Services and Clinical Program Fees

# I. <u>Commercial Administrative Services</u>





## II. <u>Clinical/Trend Programs</u>.

ESI offers a comprehensive suite of trend and integrated health management programs. These offerings may change or be discontinued from time to time as ESI updates its offerings to meet the needs of the marketplace.

The programs (and corresponding pricing and guarantees) outlined in the Clinical Addendum (executed separately by Sponsor) represent the programs currently adopted by Sponsor as of the Effective Date. ESI also offers additional programs, as well as savings guarantees, under certain conditions. Information concerning such programs, guarantees, and fees, if applicable, is available on request. In addition, the ESI Account Management Team will periodically discuss new programs, guarantees, and fees with Sponsor, which Sponsor may adopt through ESI's standard Set-Up Form process.

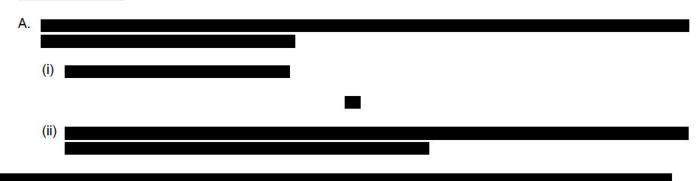
Sponsor will select clinical/trend programs during implementation by checking selected options on the Clinical Addendum and on the applicable Set-Up Form. Such Set-Up Forms are incorporated herein by reference as and when executed by the parties.

Please refer to the Clinical Addendum for a listing of Sponsor's programs.

## EXHIBIT A-3

# Rebates

# 1. Rebate Amounts



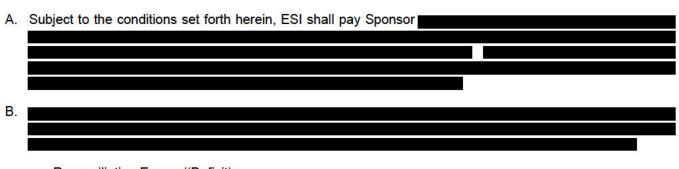




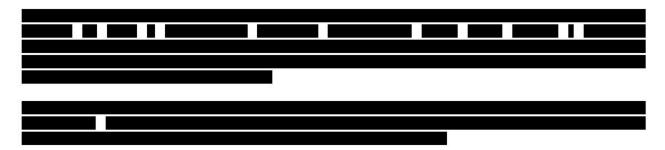
# 2. Exclusions



# 3. Rebate Payment Terms



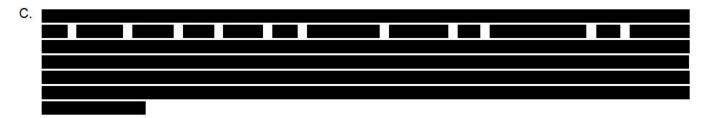




C. Except as set forth elsewhere in this Agreement, should Sponsor terminate this Agreement, ESI will continue to pay Rebates to Sponsor for all claims incurred prior to the termination date pursuant to this Agreement.

## 4. <u>Conditions</u>

- A. ESI contracts with pharmaceutical manufacturers for Rebates on its own behalf and for its own benefit, and not on behalf of clients. Accordingly, ESI retains all right, title and interest to any and all actual Rebates received from manufacturers. ESI will pay Sponsor amounts equal to the Rebate amounts allocated to Sponsor, as specified above, from ESI's general assets (neither Sponsor, their Members, nor Sponsor's plan retains any beneficial or proprietary interest in ESI's general assets). Sponsor acknowledges and agrees that neither it, nor Members will have a right to interest on, or the time value of, any Rebate payments received by ESI during the collection period or moneys payable under this Section. No amounts for Rebates will be paid until this Agreement is executed by Sponsor. ESI will have the right to apply allocated Rebate amount to unpaid Fees.
- B. Sponsor acknowledges that it may be eligible for Rebate amounts under this Agreement only so long as Sponsor, its affiliates, or its agents do not contract directly or indirectly with anyone else for discounts, utilization limits, rebates or other financial incentives on pharmaceutical products or formulary programs for claims processed by ESI pursuant to the Agreement, without the prior written consent of ESI. In the event that Sponsor negotiates or arranges for Rebates or similar discounts for any Covered Drugs hereunder, but without limiting ESI's right to other remedies, ESI may immediately withhold any Rebate amounts earned by, but not yet paid to, Sponsor as necessary to prevent duplicative rebates on Covered Drugs. To the extent Sponsor knowingly negotiates and/or contracts for discounts or rebates on claims for Covered Drugs without prior written approval of ESI, such activity will be deemed to be a material breach of this Agreement, entitling ESI to suspend payment of Rebate amounts hereunder and to renegotiate the terms and conditions of this Agreement.



D. Rebate paid to Sponsor pursuant to this Agreement are intended to be treated as "discounts" pursuant to the federal anti-kickback statute set forth at 42 U.S.C. §1320a-7b and implementing regulations. Sponsor is obligated if requested by the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, or as otherwise required by applicable law, to report the Rebate amounts and to provide a copy of this notice. ESI will refrain from doing anything that would impede Sponsor from meeting any such obligation.

## EXHIBIT B AUDIT PROTOCOL

### 1. AUDIT PRINCIPLES

ESI recognizes the importance of its clients ensuring the integrity of their business relationship by engaging in annual audits of their financial arrangements with ESI, and, where applicable (i.e., Medicare Part D), by auditing compliance with applicable regulatory requirements. ESI provides this audit right to each and every client. In granting this right, ESI's primary interest is to facilitate a responsive and responsible audit process. In order to accomplish this goal, for all clients, ESI has established the following Protocol. Our intent is in no way to limit Sponsor's ability to determine that ESI has properly and accurately administered the financial aspects of the Agreement or complied with applicable regulatory requirements, but rather to create a manageable process in order to be responsive to our clients and the independent auditors that they may engage.

ESI strongly encourages clients to have their auditors, without jeopardizing the independent nature of the audit, review the auditor's initial findings and reports with ESI prior to discussing with the client in order to avoid any unnecessary client confusion. In addition, clients should not initiate a new audit until all parties have agreed that the prior audit is closed. We have found often times that items identified as issues during the initial audit turn out to be non-findings once a dialogue takes place between the auditor and ESI. In other words, we believe it is in everyone's interest to ensure that the auditor and ESI are not simply "missing each other" in the exchange of information prior to the auditor reviewing its findings with the client.

### 2. AUDIT PREREQUISITES

- A. There are five components of your arrangement with ESI eligible for audit on an annual basis, which must be initiated from February through October:
  - Plan Design Administration
  - Retrospective Claims
  - Rebates
  - Performance Guarantees
  - Compliance with Regulatory Requirements (i.e., Medicare Part D)

Sponsor is allowed one annual audit at no cost. If you choose to audit the above components separately throughout the year, rather than combining all components into a single annual audit, you will be subject to ESI's standard charges for each additional audit. All such fees shall be reasonable and based on ESI's costs for supporting such additional audits.

- B. ESI will provide all data reasonably necessary for Sponsor to determine that ESI has performed in accordance with contractual terms. ESI will use commercially reasonable best efforts to provide the retrospective claims and benefit information in no more than fifteen (15) days from audit kickoff call and having an executed confidentiality agreement. Our pledge to respond within the foregoing timeframe is predicated on a good faith and cooperative effort between Sponsor and/or its Auditor and ESI.
- C. ESI engages a national accounting firm, at its sole cost and expense, to conduct a SSAE 16 audit on behalf of its clients. Upon request, ESI will provide the results of its most recent SSAE 16 audit. Testing of the areas covered by the SSAE 16 is not within the scope of Sponsor's audit rights (i.e., to confirm the financial aspects of the Agreement) and is therefore not permitted. However, if requested, ESI will explain the SSAE 16 audit process and findings to Sponsor in order for Sponsor to gain an understanding of the SSAE 16.

#### 3. AUDITS

- A. ESI recommends that the initial audit period for a claims audit cover a timeframe not to exceed twenty-four (24) months immediately preceding the request to audit (the "Audit Period"). This Audit Period allows a reasonable amount of time for both parties to conclude the audit before claims data is archived off the adjudication system. ESI will accommodate reasonable requests to extend the Audit Period, but this may delay ESI's response time to audit findings due to the age of the claims. Due to the additional resources necessary to pull claims data older than twenty-four (24) months, if you request to extend the Audit Period, you will be subject to ESI's standard charges for such additional data pulls. All such fees shall be reasonable and based on ESI's additional costs associated with retrieval and reporting of such data. If the parties mutually determine, acting in good faith, that the initial audit demonstrates in any material respects that ESI has not administered the financial arrangement consistent with the contract terms of the Agreement, then ESI will support additional auditing beyond the Audit Period at no additional charge.
- B. CMS generally modifies its requirements for administering the Medicare Part D annually. For this reason, ESI recommends that the initial audit period for a Medicare Part D compliance audit cover a timeframe not to exceed the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the request to audit (collectively, the "Medicare Part D Audit Period"). This Medicare Part D Audit Period is intended to assist our clients with the CMS annual oversight requirements. Due to the additional resources necessary to pull data older than twelve (12) months, if you request to extend the Audit Period, you will be subject to ESI's standard charges for such additional data pulls. All such fees shall be reasonable and based on ESI's additional costs associated with retrieval and reporting of such data.
- C. When performing a Rebate audit, Sponsor may perform an on-site review of the applicable components of manufacturer agreements, selected by Sponsor, as reasonably necessary to audit the calculation of the Rebate payments made to Sponsor by ESI. Our ability to drive value through the supply chain and in our negotiations with manufacturers is dependent upon the strict confidentiality and use of these agreements. Providing access to these agreements to third parties that perform services in the industry beyond traditional financial auditing jeopardizes our ability to competitively drive value. For this reason, unless

otherwise agreed by the Parties, access to and audit of manufacturer agreements is restricted to a mutually agreed upon CPA accounting firm whose audit department is a separate stand-alone division of the business, which carries insurance for professional malpractice of at least Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000).

- D. ESI recommends that Sponsor select an initial number of manufacturer contracts to enable Sponsor to audit sixty five percent (65%) of the total Rebate payments due to Sponsor for two (2) calendar quarters during the twelve (12) month period immediately preceding the audit (the "Rebate Audit Scope and Timeframe"). ESI will accommodate reasonable requests to extend this Rebate Audit Scope and Timeframe, but this may delay ESI's on-site preparation time as well as response time to audit findings. Due to the additional resources necessary to support a Rebate audit beyond the Rebate Audit Scope and Timeframe, if you request to extend the Rebate Audit Scope and Timeframe, you will be subject to ESI's standard charges for such additional audit support. All such fees shall be reasonable and based on ESI's additional costs. If the parties mutually determine, acting in good faith, that the initial Rebate audit demonstrates in any material respects that ESI has not administered Rebates consistent with the contract terms of the Agreement, then ESI will support additional auditing beyond the Rebate Audit Scope and Timeframe at no additional charge.
- E. If you have a Pass-Through pricing arrangement for Participating Pharmacy claims, ESI will provide the billable and payable amount for a sampling of claims provided by you or your auditor (i.e., ESI will provide the actual documented claim record) during the audit to verify that ESI has administered such Pass-Through pricing arrangement consistent with the terms of the Agreement. If further documentation is required, ESI may provide a statistically valid sample of claims remittances to the Participating Pharmacies to demonstrate ESI's administration of Pass-Through pricing. In any instance where the audit demonstrates that the amount billed to you does not equal the Pass-Through amount paid to the Participating Pharmacy, you or your auditor may perform an on-site audit of the applicable Participating Pharmacy contract rate sheet(s).

### 4. AUDIT FINDINGS

- A. Following Sponsor's initial audit, Sponsor (or its Auditor) will provide ESI with a written report of suspected errors, if any. In order for ESI to evaluate Sponsor's audit report, Sponsor shall provide an electronic data file in a mutually agreed upon format containing up to 300 claims for further investigation by ESI. ESI will use commercially reasonable best efforts to respond to the suspected errors in no more than sixty (60) days from ESI's receipt of such findings. Our pledge to respond within the foregoing timeframe is predicated on a good faith and cooperative effort between Sponsor and/or its Auditor and ESI.
- B. Following Sponsor's initial audit of Medicare Part D compliance, Sponsor (or its Auditor) will provide ESI with a written report of suspected non-compliant issues and payment reconciliation issues, if any. In order for ESI to evaluate Sponsor's audit report, Sponsor shall provide ESI with specific regulatory criteria and Medicare Part D program requirements used to cite each suspected non-compliant and payment reconciliation issue. ESI will use commercially reasonable best efforts to respond to the audit report in no more than thirty (30) days from ESI's receipt of the report. Please be aware, however, that audits that require evaluation of six (6) or more findings typically require additional time to respond. Our pledge to respond within the foregoing timeframe is predicated on a good faith and cooperative effort between Sponsor and/or its Auditor and ESI.
- C. ESI will respond to the audit report in no more than sixty (60) days from ESI's receipt of the report. Our pledge to respond within the foregoing timeframe is predicated on a good faith and cooperative effort between Sponsor and/or its Auditor and ESI.
- D. Sponsor agrees that once audit results are accepted by both parties, the audit shall be considered closed and final. To the extent the mutually accepted audit results demonstrate claims errors, ESI will reprocess the claims and make corresponding adjustments to Sponsor through credits to a future invoice(s). If we are unable to reprocess claims and issue corresponding credits to Sponsor through this process, ESI will make adjustments to Sponsor via a check or credit.

### 5. AUDITS BY GOVERNMENT ENTITIES

- A. In the event CMS, the OIG, MEDIC, or another government agency has engaged in an audit of Sponsor and/or its "first tier" and "downstream entities", Sponsor shall contact the ESI Account Management team and provide a written copy of the audit notice or request from the government agency promptly upon receipt.
- B. Sponsor agrees that CMS may have direct access to ESI's and any such "downstream entity's" pertinent contracts, books, documents, papers, records, premises and physical facilities, and that ESI and such "downstream entity" will provide requested information directly to CMS unless otherwise agreed upon by ESI and Sponsor.
- C. Following the government audit of Sponsor and its "first tier" and "downstream entities", Sponsor shall provide ESI with a written report of suspected non-compliant issues noted in the government audit that relate to services provided by ESI, if any. If there are such findings, ESI will work with Sponsor and/or government agency to respond to any suspected non-compliant issues.
- D. Support for all such audits by government entities will be subject to ESI's standard charges. All such fees shall be reasonable and based on ESI's costs for supporting such audits.

#### 6. CONFIDENTIALITY

ESI's contracts are highly confidential and proprietary. For this reason, ESI only permits on-site review rather than provide copies to our clients. During on-site contract review, Sponsor (or its Auditor) may take and retain notes to the extent necessary to document any identified errors, but may not copy (through handwritten notes or otherwise) or retain any contracts (in part or in whole) or related documents provided or made available by ESI in connection with the audit. ESI will be entitled to review any notes to affirm compliance with this paragraph.

### EXHIBIT C

### **BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT**

Express Scripts, Inc. and one or more of its subsidiaries ("ESI"), and Sponsor or one of its affiliates ("Sponsor"), are parties to an agreement ("PBM Agreement") whereby ESI provides certain pharmacy benefit management services to the Sponsor's prescription drug plan (Sponsor and Sponsor's prescription drug plan collectively referred to hereinafter as "Plan"). The PBM Agreement addresses the parties' rights and obligations concerning the use and disclosure of patients' protected health information. The HIPAA Rules (as defined below) require ESI and Plan to enter into a "business associate agreement" to comply with applicable sections of the HIPAA Rules.

#### 1. Definitions.

(a) "Breach" shall have the same meaning as the term "breach" in 45 C.F.R. § 164.402.

(b) "Designated Record Set" shall have the same meaning as the term "designated record set" in 45 C.F.R. § 164.501.

(c) "Electronic Health Record" shall mean an electronic record of health-related information on an Individual that is created, gathered, managed, and consulted by authorized health care clinicians and staff.

(d) "Electronic PHI" shall have the same meaning as the term "electronic protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.

(e) "HIPAA Rules" means the collective privacy, transaction and code sets, and security regulations promulgated pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, as codified at 45 C.F.R. Parts 160, 162 and 164, as amended from time to time.

(f) "Individual" shall have the same meaning as the term "individual" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103 and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.502(g).

(g) "Privacy Rule" shall mean the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information at 45 C.F.R. Part 160 and 45 C.F.R. Part 164, Subpart A and Subpart E, as amended from time to time.

(h) "Protected Health Information" or "PHI" shall have the same meaning as the term "protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103, limited to the information created or received by ESI from or on behalf of Plan.

(i) "Required by Law" shall have the same meaning as the term "required by law" in 45 C.F.R. § 164.103.

(j) "Secretary" shall mean the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services or his/her designee.

(k) "Security Incident" shall have the same meaning as "security incident" in 45 C.F.R. § 164.304

(I) "Security Standards" shall mean the Security Standards, 45 C.F.R. Part 164, Subpart C, as amended from time to time.

(m) "Transactions Standards" shall mean the Standards for Electronic Transactions, 45 C.F.R. Part 162, Subpart I, as amended from time to time.

(n) "Unsecured PHI" shall have the same meaning as the term "unsecured protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. § 164.402.

Capitalized terms used, but not otherwise defined, in this Business Associate Agreement shall have the same meaning as those terms in the HIPAA Rules.

### 2. <u>General Use and Disclosure Provisions.</u> ESI and Plan acknowledge and agree as follows:

(a) Use or Disclosure. ESI agrees not to use or further disclose PHI other than as expressly permitted or required by this Business Associate Agreement or the HIPAA Rules or as Required by Law.

(b) *Minimum Necessary*. ESI will take reasonable efforts to limit requests for, use and disclosure of PHI to the minimum necessary to accomplish the intended request, use or disclosure.

(c) Specific Use or Disclosure Provisions. Except as otherwise limited in this Business Associate Agreement, ESI may

use and disclose PHI to properly provide, manage and administer the services required under the PBM Agreement and consistent with applicable law to assist Plan in its operations, as long as such use or disclosure would not violate the HIPAA Rules if done by Plan, or such use or disclosure is expressly permitted in (i) through (iii) below:

- (i) ESI may use PHI for the proper management and administration of ESI or to carry out ESI's legal responsibilities.
- (ii) ESI may disclose PHI to third parties for the proper management and administration of ESI or to carry out the legal responsibilities of ESI provided that the disclosures are Required by Law, or ESI obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom the information is disclosed that: (A) the information will remain confidential, (B) the information will be used or further disclosed only as Required by Law or for the purpose for which it was disclosed to the person, and (C) the person notifies ESI of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached.
- (iii) ESI may use PHI to perform Data Aggregation services on behalf of Plan as permitted by 45 C.F.R. § 164.504(e)(2)(i)(B).

(d) Reporting. ESI agrees to promptly notify the Plan if ESI has knowledge that PHI has been used or disclosed by ESI in a manner that violates this Business Associate Agreement. To the extent that ESI creates, receives, maintains or transmits Electronic PHI, ESI agrees to report promptly to the Plan any Security Incident, as determined by ESI, involving PHI of which ESI becomes aware. ESI shall comply with 45 C.F.R. § 164.402 and shall, following the discovery of a Breach of Unsecured PHI, notify the Plan of such Breach, in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.410.

(e) Safeguards. ESI agrees to use appropriate safeguards, consistent with applicable law, to prevent use or disclosure of PHI in a manner that would violate this Business Associate Agreement. ESI shall provide Plan with such information concerning such safeguards as Plan may reasonably request from time to time. To the extent that ESI creates, receives, maintains or transmits Electronic PHI, ESI agrees to use appropriate administrative, physical and technical safeguards, and comply with the Security Standards, to protect the confidentiality, integrity and availability of the Electronic PHI that ESI creates, receives, maintains or transmits on behalf of Plan.

(f) *Mitigation.* ESI agrees to mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to ESI of a use or disclosure of PHI by ESI in violation of this Business Associate Agreement or the PBM Agreement.

(g) Subcontractors and Agents. ESI agrees to ensure that any agent, including a Subcontractor, to whom it provides PHI received from, or created or received by ESI on behalf of Plan, agrees, in writing, to the same restrictions, terms and conditions that apply through this Agreement to ESI with respect to such information, including the requirement that it implement reasonable and appropriate safeguards and comply with Subpart C of 45 C.F.R. Part 164, to protect any Electronic PHI that is disclosed to it by ESI.

(h) Access. Within fifteen (15) business days of a request by Plan, ESI shall provide access to Plan to PHI in a Designated Record Set in order to meet the requirements under 45 C.F.R. § 164.524. If ESI receives a request directly from an Individual, or if requested by Plan that access be provided to the Individual, ESI shall provide access to the Individual to PHI in a Designated Record Set within thirty (30) days in order to meet the requirements under 45 C.F.R. § 164.524.

(i) *Amendment.* Within sixty (60) days of a request by Plan or subject Individual, ESI agrees to make any appropriate amendment(s) to PHI in a Designated Record Set that Plan directs or agrees to pursuant to 45 C.F.R. § 164.526.

(j) Accounting. Within thirty (30) days of a proper request by Plan, ESI agrees to document and make available to Plan, for a reasonable cost-based fee (under conditions permitted by HIPAA if an Individual requests an accounting more than once during a twelve month period), such disclosures of PHI and information related to such disclosures necessary to respond to such request for an accounting of disclosures of PHI, in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528. Within sixty (60) days of proper request by subject Individual, ESI agrees to make available to the Individual the information described above. ESI shall retain copies of any accountings for a period of six (6) years from the date the accounting was created.

(k) Restrictions on Use or Disclosure. Within fifteen (15) business days of a request of Plan, ESI agrees to consider restrictions on the use or disclosure of PHI agreed to by Plan on behalf of an Individual in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.522.

<sup>(</sup>I) Audit and Inspection. ESI agrees to make internal practices, books, and records relating to the use and disclosure of PHI received from, or created or received by ESI on behalf of Plan, available to Plan within ten (10) business days, or at the request of Plan or the Secretary, to the Secretary in a time and manner directed by the Secretary, for purposes of the Secretary determining Plan's compliance with the HIPAA Rules. Any release of information regarding ESI's practices, books and records is proprietary to ESI and shall be treated as confidential and shall not be further disclosed without the written permission of ESI, except as necessary to comply with the HIPAA Rules.

(m) *Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information.* To the extent ESI is to carry out one or more of Plan's obligations under Subpart E of 45 C.F.R. Part 164, ESI agrees to comply with the requirements of subpart E that apply to the covered entity in the performance of such obligations.

### 3. <u>Plan Obligations.</u>

(a) Plan shall notify ESI of any limitation(s) in the notice of privacy practices of Plan in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.520, to the extent that such limitation may affect ESI's use or disclosure of PHI.

(b) Plan shall notify ESI of any changes in, or revocation of, permission by an Individual to use or disclose PHI, to the extent that such changes may affect ESI's use or disclosure of PHI.

(c) Plan shall notify ESI of any restriction to the use or disclosure of PHI that Plan has agreed to in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.522, to the extent that such restriction may affect ESI's use or disclosure of PHI.

(d) Plan shall not request that ESI use or disclose PHI in any manner that would exceed that which is minimally necessary under the HIPAA Rules or that would not be permitted by a Covered Entity.

(e) Plan agrees that it will have entered into "Business Associate Agreements" with any third parties (e.g., case managers, brokers or third party administrators) to which Plan directs and authorizes ESI to disclose PHI.

4. <u>Transactions Standards.</u> The HIPAA Rules provide for certain Transactions Standards for transfer of data between trading partners. While certain of the standards may or may not be adopted by Plan (e.g., for eligibility), ESI will be prepared to accept the following in accordance with 45 C.F.R. Part 162.1502: ASC X12N 834 – Benefit Enrollment and Maintenance. In addition, to the extent applicable, ESI shall comply with other applicable transactions standards for claims processing functions between ESI and provider pharmacies. Each party hereby agrees that it shall not change any definition, data condition or use of a data element or segment in a standard, add any data elements or segment to the maximum defined data set, use any code or data elements that are either marked "not used" in the standard's implementation specification or are not in the implementation specification, or change the meaning or intent of the implementation specification.

### 5. <u>Material Breach of Business Associate Agreement; Termination.</u>

(a) Without limiting the termination rights of the parties pursuant to the PBM Agreement, upon either party's knowledge of a material breach by the other of this Business Associate Agreement, the non-breaching party shall notify the breaching party of such material breach and the breaching party shall have thirty (30) days to cure such material breach. In the event the breach is not cured, or cure is infeasible, the non-breaching party shall have the right to immediately terminate this Business Associate Agreement and the PBM Agreement or if cure of the material breach is infeasible, report the violation to the Secretary.

(b) To the extent feasible, upon termination of the PBM Agreement for any reason, ESI shall, and shall cause any subcontractors and agents to, return or destroy and retain no copies of all PHI received from, or created or received by ESI on behalf of, Plan. If ESI determines, in its sole discretion, that return or destruction of such information is not feasible, ESI shall continue to limit the use or disclosure of such information as set forth in this Agreement as if the PBM Agreement had not been terminated.

6. Indemnification. Each party (the "Indemnifying Party") shall indemnify and hold the other party and its officers, directors, employees and agents (each an "Indemnified Party") harmless from and against any claim, cause of action, liability, damage, cost or expense ("Liabilities") to which the Indemnified Party becomes subject to as a result of third party claims (including reasonable attorneys' fees and court or proceeding costs) brought against the Indemnified Party, which arise as a result of: (i) the material breach of this Business Associate Agreement by the Indemnifying Party; or (ii) the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Indemnifying Party, except to the extent such Liabilities were caused by the Indemnified Party. A party entitled to indemnification under this Section 6 shall give prompt written notification to the Indemnifying Party of the commencement of any action, suit or proceeding relating to a third party claim for which indemnification is sought, subject to applicable confidentiality constraints. The Indemnifying Party shall be entitled to assume control of the defense of such action, suit, proceeding or claim with competent counsel of its choosing. Indemnification shall not be required if any claim is settled without the Indemnifying Party's consent, which such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. NOTWITHSTANDING THE FOREGOING PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION 6, IN NO EVENT WILL AN INDEMNIFYING PARTY BE LIABLE TO AN INDEMNIFIED PARTY UNDER CONTRACT, TORT, OR ANY OTHER LEGAL THEORY FOR INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, INDIRECT, PUNITIVE, OR SPECIAL LOSSES OR DAMAGES OF ANY KIND.

#### 7. <u>Miscellaneous.</u>

(a) **Amendment**. The parties acknowledge that the foregoing provisions are designed to comply with the mandates of the HIPAA Rules. ESI shall provide written notice to Plan to the extent that any regulation or amendment to regulations promulgated by the Secretary requires changes to this Business Associate Agreement. Such written notice shall include any additional amendment required by any such final regulation and the Business Associate Agreement shall be automatically amended to incorporate the changes set forth in such amendment provided by ESI to Plan, unless Plan objects to such amendment in writing within fifteen (15)

days of receipt of such written notice. In the event that Plan objects timely to such amendment, the parties shall work in good faith to reach agreement on an amendment to the Business Associate Agreement that complies with the final regulations. If the parties are unable to reach agreement regarding an amendment to the Business Associate Agreement within thirty (30) days of the date that ESI receives any written objection from Plan, either ESI or Sponsor may terminate this Business Associate Agreement upon ninety (90) days written notice to the other party. Any other amendment to this Business Associate Agreement unrelated to compliance with applicable law and regulations shall be effective only upon execution of a written agreement between the parties.

(b) **Effect on PBM Agreement**. Except as relates to the use, security and disclosure of PHI and electronic transactions, this Business Associate Agreement is not intended to change the terms and conditions of, or the rights and obligations of the parties under, the PBM Agreement.

(c) **No Third-Party Beneficiaries**. Nothing express or implied in the PBM Agreement or in this Business Associate Agreement is intended to confer, nor shall anything herein confer, upon any person other than the parties and the respective successors or assigns of the parties, any rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities whatsoever.

(d) **Interpretation**. Any ambiguity in this Business Associate Agreement shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that permits both parties to comply with the HIPAA Rules.

(e) **Effective Date**. This Business Associate Agreement shall be effective as of the effective date of the PBM Agreement.

#### EXHIBIT D FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE TO ESI PBM CLIENTS

This disclosure provides an overview of the principal revenue sources of Express Scripts, Inc. and Medco Health Solutions, Inc. (individually and collectively referred to herein as "ESI"), as well as ESI's affiliates. In addition to administrative and dispensing fees paid to ESI by our clients for pharmaceutical benefit management ("PBM") services, ESI and its affiliates derive revenue from other sources, including arrangements with pharmaceutical manufacturers, wholesale distributors, and retail pharmacies. Some of this revenue relates to utilization of prescription drugs by members of the clients receiving PBM services. ESI may pass through certain manufacturer payments to its clients or may retain those payments for itself, depending on the contract terms between ESI and the client.

<u>Network Pharmacies</u> – ESI contracts for its own account with retail pharmacies to dispense prescription drugs to client members. Rates paid by ESI to these pharmacies may differ among networks (e.g., Medicare, Worker's Comp, open and limited), and among pharmacies within a network, and by client arrangements. PBM agreements generally provide that a client pays ESI an ingredient cost, plus dispensing fee, for drug claims. If the rate paid by a client exceeds the rate contracted with a particular pharmacy, ESI will realize a positive margin on the applicable claim. The reverse also may be true, resulting in negative margin for ESI. ESI also enters into pass-through arrangements where the client pays ESI the actual ingredient cost and dispensing fee amount paid by ESI for the particular claim when the claim is adjudicated to the pharmacy. In addition, when ESI receives payment from a client before payment to a pharmacy, ESI retains the benefit of the use of the funds between these payments. ESI may maintain non-client specific aggregate guarantees with pharmacies and may realize positive margin. ESI may charge pharmacies standard transaction fees to access ESI's pharmacy claims systems and for other related administrative purposes.

<u>Brand/Generic Classifications</u> – Prescription drugs may be classified as either a "brand" or "generic;" however, the reference to a drug by its chemical name does not necessarily mean that the product is recognized as a generic for adjudication, pricing or copay purposes. For the purposes of pharmacy reimbursement, ESI distinguishes brands and generics through a proprietary algorithm ("BGA") that uses certain published elements provided by First DataBank (FDB) including price indicators, Generic Indicator, Generic Manufacturer Indicator, Generic Name Drug Indicator, Innovator, Drug Class and ANDA. The BGA uses these data elements in a hierarchical process to categorize the products as brand or generic. The BGA also has processes to resolve discrepancies and prevent "flipping" between brand and generic status due to price fluctuations and marketplace availability changes. The elements listed above and sources are subject to change based on the availability of the specific fields. Updated summaries of the BGA are available upon request. Brand or generic classification for client reimbursement purposes is either based on the BGA or specific code indicators from Medi-Span or a combination of the two as reflected in the client's specific contract terms. Application of an alternative methodology based on specific client contract terms does not affect ESI's application of its BGA for ESI's other contracts.

<u>Maximum Allowable Cost ("MAC")/Maximum Reimbursement Amount ("MRA")</u> – As part of the administration of the PBM services, ESI maintains a MAC List of drug products identified as requiring pricing management due to the number of manufacturers, utilization and/or pricing volatility. The criteria for inclusion on the MAC List are based on whether the drug has readily available generic product(s), is generally equivalent to a brand drug, is cleared of any negative clinical implications, and has a cost basis that will allow for pricing below brand rates. ESI also maintains MRA price lists for drug products on the MAC List based on current price reference data provided by MediSpan or other nationally recognized pricing source, market pricing and availability information from generic manufacturers and on-line research of national wholesale drug company files, and client arrangements. Similar to the BGA, the elements listed above and sources are subject to change based on the availability of the specific fields. Updated summaries of the MAC methodology are available upon request.

Manufacturer Programs Formulary Rebates, Associated Administrative Fees, and PBM Service Fees - ESI contracts for its own account to obtain formulary rebates attributable to the utilization of certain brand drugs and supplies (and possibly certain authorized generics marketed under a brand manufacturer's new drug application). Formulary rebate amounts received vary based on client specific utilization, the volume of utilization as well as formulary position applicable to the drug or supplies, and adherence to various formulary management controls, benefit design requirements, claims volume, and other similar factors, and in certain instances also may vary based on the product's market-share. ESI often pays an amount equal to all or a portion of the formulary rebates it receives to a client based on the client's PBM agreement terms. ESI or its affiliates may maintain non-client specific aggregate guarantees and may realize positive margin. In addition, ESI provides administrative services to contracted manufacturers, which include, for example, maintenance and operation of systems and other infrastructure necessary for invoicing and processing rebates, pharmacy discount programs, access to drug utilization data, as allowed by law, for purposes of verifying and evaluating applicable payments, and for other purposes related to the manufacturer's products. ESI receives administrative fees from the participating manufacturers for these services. These administrative fees are calculated based on the price of the drug or supplies along with the volume of utilization and do not exceed the greater of (i) 4.58% of the average wholesale price, or (ii) 5.5% of the wholesale acquisition cost of the products. In its capacity as a PBM company, ESI also may receive other compensation from manufacturers for the performance of various programs or services, including, for example, formulary compliance initiatives, clinical services, therapy management services, education services, inflation protection programs, medical benefit management services, cost containment programs, discount programs, and the sale of non-patient identifiable claim information. This compensation is not part of the formulary rebates or associated administrative fees, and ESI may realize positive margin between amounts paid to clients and amounts received from pharmaceutical manufacturers. ESI retains the financial benefit of the use of any funds held until payment is made to the client.

Copies of ESI's standard formularies may be reviewed at www.express-scripts.com/wps/portal/. In addition to formulary considerations, other plan design elements are described in ESI's Plan Design Review Guide, which may be reviewed at www.express-scripts.com/wps/portal/.

ESI Subsidiary Pharmacies – ESI has several licensed pharmacy subsidiaries, including our specialty pharmacies. These entities may maintain product purchase discount arrangements and/or fee-for-service arrangements with pharmaceutical manufacturers, wholesale distributors, and other health care providers. These subsidiary pharmacies contract for these arrangements on their own account in support of their various pharmacy operations. Many of these subsidiary arrangements relate to services provided outside of PBM arrangements, and may be entered into irrespective of whether the particular drug is on one of ESI's national formularies. Discounts and fee-for-service payments received by ESI's subsidiary pharmacies are not part of the PBM formulary rebates or associated administrative fees paid to ESI in connection with ESI's PBM formulary rebate programs. However, certain purchase discounts received by ESI's subsidiary pharmacies, whether directly or through ESI, may be considered for formulary purposes if the value of such purchase discounts is used by ESI to supplement the discount on the ingredient cost of the drug to the client's PBM agreement terms. From time to time, ESI and its affiliates also may pursue and maintain for its own account other supply chain sourcing relationships not described below as beneficial to maximize ESI's drug purchasing capabilities and efficiencies, and ESI or affiliates may realize an overall positive margin with regard to these initiatives.

The following provides additional information regarding examples of ESI subsidiary discount arrangements and fee-for-service arrangements with pharmaceutical manufacturers, and wholesale distributors:

ESI Subsidiary Pharmacy Discount Arrangements – ESI subsidiary pharmacies purchase prescription drug inventories, either from manufacturers or wholesalers, for dispensing to patients. Often, purchase discounts off the acquisition cost of these products are made available by manufacturers and wholesalers in the form of either up-front discounts or retrospective discounts. These purchase discounts, obtained through separate purchase contracts, are not formulary rebates paid in connection with our PBM formulary rebate programs. Drug purchase discounts are based on a pharmacy's inventory needs and, at times, the performance of related patient care services and other performance requirements. When a subsidiary pharmacy dispenses a product from its inventory, the purchase price paid for the dispensed product, including applicable dispensing fees, may be greater or less than that pharmacy's acquisition cost for the product net of purchase discounts. In general, our pharmacies realize an overall positive margin between the net acquisition cost and the amounts paid for the dispensed drugs.

<u>ESI Subsidiary Fee-For-Service Arrangements</u> – One or more of ESI's subsidiaries, including, but not limited to, its subsidiary pharmacies also may receive fee-for-service payments from manufacturers, wholesalers, or other health care providers in conjunction with various programs or services, including, for example, patient assistance programs for indigent patients, dispensing prescription medications to patients enrolled in clinical trials, various therapy adherence and fertility programs, administering FDA compliance requirements related to the drug, 340B contract pharmacy services, product reimbursement support services, and various other clinical or pharmacy programs or services. As a condition to having access to certain products, and sometimes related to certain therapy adherence criteria or FDA requirements, a pharmaceutical manufacturer may require a pharmacy to report selected information to the manufacturer regarding the pharmacy's service levels and other dispensing-related data with respect to patients who receive that manufacturer's product. A portion of the discounts or other fee-for-service payments made available to our pharmacies may represent compensation for such reporting.

<u>Other Manufacturer Arrangements</u> – ESI also maintains other lines of business that may involve discount and service fee relationships with pharmaceutical manufacturers and wholesale distributors. Examples of these businesses include a wholesale distribution business, group purchasing organizations (and related group purchasing organization fees), a medical benefit management company, and United BioSource Corporation ("UBC"). Compensation derived through these business arrangements is not considered for PBM formulary placement, and is in addition to other amounts described herein. Of particular note, UBC partners with life sciences and pharmaceutical companies to develop, commercialize, and support safe, effective use and access to pharmaceutical products. UBC maintains a team of research scientists, biomedical experts, research operations professionals, technologists and clinicians who work with clients to conduct and support clinical trials, create, and validate and administer pre and post product safety and risk management programs. UBC also works on behalf of pharmaceutical manufacturers to provide product and disease state education programs, reimbursement assistance, and other support services to the public at large. These service fees are not part of the formulary rebates or associated administrative fees.

<u>Third Party Data Sales</u> – Consistent with any client contract limitations, ESI or its affiliates may sell HIPAA compliant information maintained in their capacity as a PBM, pharmacy, or otherwise to data aggregators, manufacturers, or other third parties on a fee-for-service basis or as a condition of discount eligibility. All such activities are conducted in compliance with applicable patient and pharmacy privacy laws and client contract restrictions.

#### October 1, 2015

THIS EXHIBIT REPRESENTS ESI'S FINANCIAL POLICIES. ESI MAY PERIODICALLY UPDATE THIS EXHIBIT AND THE FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES CONTAINED HEREIN TO REFLECT CHANGES IN ITS BUSINESS PROCESSES; THE CURRENT FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST AND ACCESSIBLE ON EXPRESS-SCRIPTS.COM AT WWW. EXPRESS-SCRIPTS.COM/WPS/PORTAL/.

### EXHIBIT E

#### **PERFORMANCE STANDARDS**

In the event that any failure by ESI to meet any performance standard is due to a "force majeure" as defined in the Agreement, failure of Sponsor to perform its obligations under the Agreement, or actions or inactions of Sponsor that adversely impact ESI's ability to maintain the subject standard (e.g., faulty eligibility, changes in benefit design not adequately communicated to Members and benefit designs that substantially change the Members' rights under the Plan), ESI will be excused from compliance with such performance standards until such circumstances have been resolved and any existing backlogs or other related effects have been eliminated.

Within **performance** after the end of each year, ESI shall report to Sponsor ESI's performance under each performance standard. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for purposes of determining whether ESI has met or failed to meet each performance standard, performance standards will be measured and reconciled on an annual basis and amounts due resulting from an ESI failure to meet any performance standard(s), if any, shall be calculated and paid to Sponsor within thirty (30) days following Sponsors receipt of reconciliation report.

No performance penalties, if any, will be paid until this Agreement is executed by Sponsor. In no event will the sum of the payments to Sponsor, as a result of ESI's failure to meet the performance standards exceed **performance**, up to a maximum of **performance** per year for the annual performance standards.

The following performance standards are based on 18,750 Members as of the Effective Date and throughout the Term. Any material change below such number may result in a renegotiation of the standards and penalties set forth below.

Performance standards for ESI's Mail Service Pharmacy assume a minimum of 1,000 Mail Service Pharmacy prescriptions submitted annually.

