



Southern Health Partners

Your Partner In Affordable Inmate Healthcare

October 12, 2020

LeeAnn Jones, County Judge
Panola County Commissioners' Court
110 South Sycamore, Room 216-A
Carthage, TX 75633

Re: Health Services Agreement

Dear Judge Jones:

With nearly twenty-six years of experience partnering with County governments, SHP recognizes the importance of continuing to provide affordable, high quality inmate medical care. Be assured of our goals to serve, heal and protect, as an industry-leading correctional health care provider.

In order to keep pace with the increased costs of operating a safe, efficient and compliant medical care program, it will be necessary to increase our service rates for the upcoming contract period. I have outlined a new fee description below, which includes a 3% annual adjustment on the base contract and per diem rate. Know that we understand the impact a rate adjustment may have on our customers following the unprecedented, challenging time of pandemic, and are committed to keeping the annual rate increase minimal for the County. SHP will remain focused on being a good steward of County taxpayer funds, while providing exceptional patient care services.

Contract Period: January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021	
Base annualized fee:	\$129,750.84 (\$10,812.57 per month)
Per diem greater than 60 inmates:	\$1.49
Annual outside cost pool limit:	\$20,000.00

For the historical contract record, I will ask you to keep this letter and return a signed copy to me at your earliest convenience, or by November 15, 2020. A scan to email will be fine (email carmen.hamilton@southernhealthpartners.com). We will plan to adjust to the new pricing starting with the January service fee invoice. Of course, if you have any questions or would like to discuss the contract, please feel free to give me a call direct at 803-802-1492. Except as stated herein, or as may be amended or modified in writing by mutual agreement of the parties, all provisions of the contract will remain in full force and effect.

Thank you in advance. We appreciate the County's business and look forward to continued service in the new year.

Sincerely,


Carmen Hamilton
Contracts Manager

PANOLA COUNTY, TX

BY: 

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cc: Sheriff Kevin Lake
Ms. Jennifer Stacy