MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

THE GILA COUNTY DIVISION OF HEALTH AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

THE GILA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

AND

CENPATICO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH OF ARIZONA, LLC

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into this 6th day of March, 2012 between the Gila County Division of Health and Emergency Services hereinafter referred to as "The Division", the Gila County Board of Supervisors and Cenpatico Behavioral Health of Arizona, LLC, hereinafter referred to as "Cenpatico" and may be renewed on an annual basis if agreed upon by both parties.

Whereas, the potential for public health emergencies exists in Gila County, it may be necessary to provide public health services to large numbers of the general population in a short period of time,

Whereas, The Division is responsible for the coordination of a response to public health emergencies within Gila County, including portions of three tribal nations, White Mountain, San Carlos, and Tonto Apache,

Whereas that response may include the provision of behavioral health services,

Whereas, Cenpatico has expressed a willingness to take the lead in coordinating behavioral health services,

THEREFORE, The Division and Cenpatico agree to the following:

THE DIVISION:

1. Shall designate a staff person as the point of contact for Cenpatico for routine and emergency contacts,
2. Shall provide as much advanced notification to Cenpatico as possible to the location(s) and type(s) of service(s) needed in the event of a public health emergency.

CENPATICO:

1. Shall provide the Division with a point of contact for behavioral health services, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week,
2. Shall facilitate emergency and risk communications with local providers, who will contact enrolled consumers in the affected area,
3. Shall, in the event, the provider is unable to contact consumers, will work with NurseWise to provide a welfare check through local law enforcement agencies,

5. Shall provide referral to the Division for Critical Incident Stress Management services.

CONTACTS:

THE DIVISION: Gila County Division of Health and Emergency Services
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Globe, AZ 85501
928-402-8764
ATTN: Leana Asberry, Public Health Emergency Preparedness Manager
928-402-8805

ORGANIZATION: Cenpatico Behavioral Health of Arizona, LLC
1501 W. Fountainhead Parkway Suite 360
Tempe, AZ 85282
ATTN: Laurel Rettle, Administrator of Preventive and Critical Care Coordination
866-495-6738 ext. 26118
Nurse Wise Crisis Line (24/7 number): 1-866-495-6735

Signed this 20th day of March, 2012:

GILA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Tommie C. Martin, Chairman

CENPATICO

Terry Stevens, Chief Executive Officer

DATE: 3-5-12

GILA COUNTY DIVISION OF HEALTH AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Michael O'Driscoll, Director

ATTEST:

Marian Sheppard, Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS FORM:

Bryan B. Chambers, Chief Deputy County Attorney
for Daisy Flores, County Attorney