

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE
ALBEMARLE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR FUNDING AND SERVICES
OF THE ALBEMARLE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

This agreement (“Agreement”) for the services to be provided by the Albemarle County Health Department and the funding therefore is by and between the Virginia Department of Health (“VDH”) and the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors (collectively “the Parties”).

The Agreement is created in satisfaction of the requirements of § 32.1-31 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, in order to operate the Albemarle County Health Department under the terms of this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and agreements in this Agreement, the sufficiency of which is acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows.

§ 1. VDH, over the course of one fiscal year, will pay an amount not to exceed \$911,700.00, from the state general fund to support the cooperative budget in accordance with, and dependent upon, appropriations by the General Assembly, and in like time frame, the Board of Supervisors of Albemarle County will provide by appropriation and in equal quarterly payments a sum of \$745,936.00 local matching funds and \$59,886.00 one-hundred percent local funds for a total of \$805,822.00 local funds for this fiscal year.

In addition, the Board of Supervisors has approved the Albemarle County Health Department to carry forward \$0.00 in local matching funds for a total of \$745,936.00 matching funds and an additional \$0.00 in one-hundred percent local funds from the prior fiscal year closing locality balance.

These joint funds will be distributed in timely installments, as services are rendered in the operation of the Albemarle County Health Department, which shall perform public health services in Albemarle County as indicated in Attachment A(1.), and will perform services required by local ordinances as indicated in Attachment A(2.). Payments from the local government are due on the third Monday of each fiscal quarter.

§ 2. The term of the agreement begins July 1, 2020. This Agreement will be automatically extended on a state fiscal year to year renewal basis under the existing terms and conditions of the Agreement unless timely written notice of termination is provided by either party. Such written notice shall be given at least 60 days prior to the beginning of the fiscal year in which the termination is to be effective.

§ 3. The Commonwealth of Virginia (“Commonwealth”) and VDH shall be responsible for providing liability insurance coverage and will provide legal defense for state employees of the local health department for acts or occurrences arising from performance of activities conducted pursuant to state statutes and regulations.

- A. The responsibility of the Commonwealth and VDH to provide liability insurance coverage shall be limited to and governed by the Commonwealth of Virginia Public Liability Risk Management Plan, established under § 2.2-1837 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended. Such insurance coverage shall extend to the services specified in Attachments A(1.) and A(2.), unless the locality has opted to provide coverage for the employee under the Public Officials Liability Self-Insurance Plan, established under § 2.2-1839 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, or under a policy procured by the locality.
- B. The Commonwealth and VDH will be responsible for providing legal defense for those acts or occurrences arising from the performance of those services listed in Attachment A(1.), conducted in the performance of this contract, as provided for under the Code of Virginia and as provided for under the terms and conditions of the Commonwealth of Virginia Public Liability Risk Management Plan.

- C. Services listed in Attachment A(2.), any services performed pursuant to a local ordinance, and any services authorized solely by Title 15.2 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, when performed by a state employee, are herewith expressly exempted from any requirements of legal defense or representation by the Attorney General or the Commonwealth. For purposes of assuring the eligibility of a state employee performing such services for liability coverage under the Commonwealth of Virginia Public Liability Risk Management Plan , the Attorney General has approved, pursuant to § 2.2-507 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, and the Commonwealth of Virginia Public Liability Risk Management Plan , the legal representation of said employee by the city or county attorney, and, the Board of Supervisors of Albemarle County hereby expressly agrees to provide the legal defense or representation at its sole expense in such cases by its local attorney.

- D. In no event shall the Commonwealth or VDH be responsible for providing legal defense or insurance coverage for local government employees.

§ 4. Title to equipment purchased with funds appropriated by the local government and transferred to the Commonwealth, either as match for state dollars or as a purchase under appropriated funds expressly allocated to support the activities of the local health department, will be retained by the Commonwealth and will be entered into the Virginia Fixed Asset Accounting and Control System. Local appropriations for equipment to be locally owned and controlled should not be remitted to the Commonwealth, and the local government's procurement procedures shall apply in the purchase. The locality assumes the responsibility to maintain the equipment and all records thereon.

§ 5. This Agreement may only be amended or otherwise modified by an instrument in writing signed by the Parties.

 Robert W. Hicks
 Deputy Commissioner for Community Health Services
 Virginia Department of Health

 Local authorizing officer signature

 Date

 Authorizing officer printed name

 Denise Bonds, MD, MPH
 District Health Director
 Blue Ridge Health District

 Authorizing officer title

 Date

 Date

Approved as to form by the Office of the Attorney General on July 23, 2018

Attachments: Local Government Agreement, Attachment A(1.)
 Local Government Agreement, Attachment A(2.)

