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**ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
JUNE 5, 2025**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

**CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION SERVICES DISTRICT VISION PLAN
DEARBORN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY D/B/A BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF ILLINOIS
(BCBS)
THE OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT
DISTRICT WIDE**

THE CHANCELLOR RECOMMENDS:

that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Chair, upon final approval of the General Counsel of the legal form of such agreements, to execute an agreement with Dearborn Life Insurance Company d/b/a Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois (“BCBS”) to provide administration services for the District’s self-insured Group PPO Vision Plan for the period from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028, with two (2) options to renew for one (1) year each at a total administrative fee cost not to exceed \$90,000 annually, and a not to exceed amount of \$270,000.

VENDOR: Dearborn Life Insurance Company d/b/a Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois
300 East Randolph Street
Chicago, Illinois 60601

USERS: All Eligible Employees, Retirees, and their dependents

TERM:

The term of this agreement shall commence on January 1, 2026, and continue through December 31, 2028, with an option to renew for an additional two (2) one-year periods.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

BCBS to provide self-insured claims administration services for eligible active and retired employees of CCC. Due to the self-funded nature of this vision plan, all employee vision claims will be processed by BCBS. These claims are reviewed, approved and paid by BCBS to the vision provider and then reimbursed by CCC to BCBS on a monthly basis.

BENEFIT TO CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO:

BCBS offers a competitive rate based upon a percentage of claims processed for the CCC’s

employees and retirees.

VENDOR SELECTION CRITERIA:

On June 17, 2024, Request for Proposals (RFP) for Vision Care Benefit Services (Specification NO. CBO 2024-01) was advertised by the City of Chicago (the “City” or the “Lead Agency”) on behalf of itself, the Chicago Park District (CPD) and the City Colleges of Chicago (CCC), which are sometimes referred to individually as an Agency or a Municipal Agency, and collectively as the Agencies or Municipal Agencies. A pre-submittal meeting was held on June 25, 2024. Four (4) proposals were received on July 18, 2024, from: 1) Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois, 2) Davis Vision, 3) EyeMed Vision Care, and 4) Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

The Evaluation Committee individually scored each submitted proposal. All four (4) proposers were invited for Oral Presentations, submission of best and final offers that match the agencies’ current benefit provisions and other terms. In cases where some proposers did not submit proposals for all Agencies, that Agency did not vote on that proposer. Davis did not submit a proposal for the CCC. The committee did not unanimously select any proposer as the preferred vendor. Each Agency voted for a different proposer that it determined provided the most attractive proposal for that Agency and that match the terms of current benefit provisions. CCC selected Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois to provide vision care services to the CCC.

MBE/WBE COMPLIANCE:

The Office of Procurement Services has reviewed the proposed compliance plan and determined the Vendor has complied with the Board Approved MBE/WBE Contract Participation Plan:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>MBE or WBE</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Participation</u>	<u>Certifying Agency</u>
Viva USA Inc 3601 Algonquin Rd, Ste. 425 Rolling Meadows, IL 60008	MBE	15	Indirect	City of Chicago
Innovative Systems Group, Inc. 799 Roosevelt Rd., Bldg. 4 Ste. 109 Glen Ellyn, IL 60137	MBE	10	Indirect	City of Chicago
A&R Janitorial Service, Inc. 10127 W Roosevelt Rd Westchester, IL 60154	WBE	7	Indirect	City of Chicago

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to cooperate with the Inspector General for City Colleges of Chicago in any investigation conducted pursuant to the Inspector General’s authority under Article 2, Section 2.7.4(b) of the Board Bylaws.

Ethics – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to comply with the applicable provisions of the Board’s Ethics Policy adopted January 7, 1993, and as amended by the Board.
Contingent Liability – Pursuant to Section 7-14 of the Illinois Public Community College Act, all agreements authorized herein shall contain a clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year.

FINANCIAL

Total: \$270,000

Charge to: The Office of Human Resource and Staff Development

Source of Funds: Education Fund

Budget Line: 520000-00003-0025006-80000-10001

Respectfully submitted,

**Juan Salgado
Chancellor**

June 5, 2025 – The Office of Human Resources and Staff Development

