HEALTHWEST

Policy and Procedure

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I. POLICY

It is the policy of HealthWest to assure all contracted Providers disclose actual and potential conflict of interest and, when actual or potential conflict of interest is identified, assure affected contracted Provider will refrain from further participation in matter(s) to which the conflict relates until the question of conflict has been resolved.

II. <u>PURPOSE</u>

To assure no undisclosed conflict of interest exists in any contractual relationship entered into by HealthWest.

III. APPLICATION

All contracted Providers of HealthWest.

IV. <u>DEFINITION</u>

<u>Conflict of Interest</u>: All business interests, affiliations, and/or relationships which could have an existing or potential financial or other interest which impairs or might appear to impair that person's independent unbiased judgement when performing responsibilities to HealthWest.

V. <u>PROCEDURE</u>

- A. HealthWest Network Development staff will assure contract requirements include disclosure of conflict of interest at the time of Provider application/re-application.
- B. HealthWest Administrative staff will:
 - 1. Review contract provider disclosure statements, and
 - 2. Obtain Executive Director and/or Corporate Counsel recommendation for disposition.