

Agreement Between

Berkshire Regional Planning Commission

(Host Agency)

One Fenn St

Pittsfield, MA 01201

(On Behalf of the Berkshire Public Health Alliance)

And

The Town of Dalton

462 Main St,

Dalton, MA 01226

This AGREEMENT, made as of July 1, 2026, is by and between the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission, hereafter the "COMMISSION" as Host Agency on behalf of the Berkshire Public Health Alliance, hereafter "ALLIANCE", and the Town of Dalton, hereafter "MEMBER," jointly referred to as the parties.

Whereas, municipalities in Berkshire County have entered into an Inter-municipal Agreement (IMA) to create the ALLIANCE, with the COMMISSION as Host Agency,

Whereas, public health nursing services are sought by the MEMBER, and the MEMBER agrees that Alliance staff providing the service(s) are acting under the direction and control and on the behalf of the Member Board of Health, and shall be appointed as Public Health Nurses by the Member Board of Health,

Now, therefore, the parties agree as follows:

- I. The ALLIANCE agrees to provide the following public health nursing services under this contract:
 1. Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiologic Network (MAVEN) surveillance, investigation and follow-up (105 CMR 300): Receive and process information for reportable and communicable disease daily through MAVEN and to implement appropriate follow up measures and interventions;
 2. Disease outbreaks: investigation and implementation of follow up measures and interventions. In the case of an active tuberculosis case or other large-scale outbreak this includes the initial disease investigation and the establishment of a community plan to address direct care observation mandates and other obligations required by the State Department of Public Health;
 3. Health Promotion and Community Wellness and Assessment: To provide accessible monitoring of health risks to the community, community health education programs, health promotion and screening as necessary in accordance with accepted standards of care, and social services support for the Member Board of Health, to include 1-3 wellness events at

town hall or another location. The Town of Dalton will also be given priority for all grant-funded public health nursing activities that may arise.

4. Vaccine Clinics: Address community health through administration of vaccinations, including public flu clinics. Recipients may be asked for insurance information. At least one vaccine clinic will be held annually under this contract in the Member community, which will include flu vaccines and potentially COVID vaccines as decided by the Alliance Governing Board. Vaccine clinics will be scheduled in conjunction with the Board of Health and other departments or organizations as requested, and may be directed to specific sub-populations (e.g., elderly, school children, municipal employees, etc.) or locations if requested;
5. Reporting: Provide the Member Board of Health with statistics regarding members of the community served through quarterly reporting. At a minimum, the information provided will include: number of reportable diseases and follow-up, number of flu shots given, and other health promotion statistics. Regional statistics, as available, will also be provided.

II. Terms of Agreement.

This AGREEMENT shall be in effect from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029. Beginning on July 1, 2026, and each July 1 thereafter, the annual price will increase 4%, as voted on by the full Alliance Governing Board. The ALLIANCE will bill the Town of Dalton on a quarterly basis, according to the table below. A reminder of the yearly increase will be provided in writing prior to the date of the increase. The first quarterly payment shall be due on July 1, 2026. Subsequent payments shall be due on October 1, January 1, and April 1, each year. Full payment may be made at any time at the discretion of the MEMBER.

	Yearly	Quarterly
FY27	\$6,470.30	\$1,617.57
FY28	\$6,729.11	\$1,682.28
FY29	\$6,998.27	\$1,749.57

This AGREEMENT may only be amended as agreed to in writing by the parties.

Withdrawal from this contract may be made by either party upon 90 days written notice. In case of withdrawal by the MEMBER, the COMMISSION shall be entitled to compensation for services provided to the date of withdrawal.

In witness thereof the COMMISSION (on behalf of the ALLIANCE) and the MEMBER have executed this agreement as of the date above written.

BRPC (COMMISSION):

By _____
Thomas Matuszko, Executive Director
One Fenn St
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Date: _____

Town of Dalton (MEMBER):

By _____

(title)

Date: _____

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