LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING ELECTRONIC VISIT VERIFICATION

The parties agree to the following in regard to the electronic visit verification (EVV) tool:

1. The EVV tool will be implemented when required by the state of Oregon and/or Washington. The anticipated start date is January 1, 2024, but that date is subject to change as determined by Oregon or Washington. If the states select different implementation dates, the EVV tool will be implemented on the earlier date. The EVV tool pilot will begin Friday, June 30, 2023. Volunteers will be sought to pilot the tool and provide feedback to the Task Force. At least one volunteer to pilot will be selected by the Association. A minimum of one volunteer per discipline will participate ensuring that all disciplines are represented. If a discipline has no volunteers, one will be selected by PHHH. The Task Force will review the feedback provided and develop recommendations to PHHH prior to full implementation.

2. At implementation, clinicians will be required to use the EVV tool for all Home Health patient visits. Clinicians will be required to use the EVV tool to document those items required by law and PHHH policy.

3. Clinicians will be provided training on the use of the EVV tool.

4. The purpose of the EVV tool is to verify patient visits and not tracking of clinicians’ off-duty activities. PHHH will not use the EVV tool to otherwise track the location of clinicians, including during breaks and lunches. With the exception of time and GPS data associated with patient visits, data that may be collected by the EVV tool (e.g., extraneous data) will not be used for corrective action. Furthermore, EVV data (e.g., time and GPS data) will not be the sole basis for disciplinary action. ONA and management will work together to resolve issues with EVV in a Task Force meeting.

5. This Letter of Understanding does not apply to clinical documentation.