

# Memorandum of Understanding

Between

The College of the Marshall Islands  
(CMI)

And

RMI Ministry of Health and Human Services  
(MOHHS)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets forth the terms and understanding between the two parties, **College of the Marshall Islands (CMI)** and **RMI Ministry of Health and Human Services (MOHHS)** for providing a facility to be used as the **Quarantine Medical Center** at the CMI Arrak campus.

## Background

This partnership is significantly valuable as it allows for a mutually beneficial collaboration between the two parties in protecting the health and welfare of the people living in the Republic of the Marshall Islands. On February 07, 2020 the Republic of the Marshall Islands declared a State of Emergency to allow MOHHS and its stakeholders to develop recommendations to prevent or contain the coronavirus from spreading in the RMI. As part of the planning, the MOHHS and CMI discussed using the CMI Arrak facilities to prepare a Quarantine Medical Center for the RMI.

The campus has living quarters with showers, a dining hall, 24/7 water system and backup power generator, patrol guards and other services. The existing Arrak campus facilities can accommodate up to 100 people at its existing facilities. The MOHHS needs the CMI Arrak facilities to house doctors, nurses and persons who have been in contact with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 cases. The MOHHS will also use the existing CMI Arrak facilities to do their medical evaluation, monitoring and reporting of persons under investigation (PUI).

The CMI Arrak campus also has the land space that the MOHHS can use to build additional facilities to ensure the RMI has sufficient capacity for mass quarantine. CMI and MOHHS discussed the possibility of combining resources to build additional facilities for quarantine which will then be used by CMI for its Vocational Programs. This strategic partnership and collaboration will mutually benefit both parties in achieving their missions.

**Purpose**

The purpose of this memorandum of understanding is to define the expectations by CMI and MOHHS in relation to CMI's Facilities at Arrak Campus. With this memorandum of understanding, CMI is allowing the MOHHS to use its facilities stipulated in (Exhibit A) of this MOU for the sole purpose of preparedness for COVID-19 and acknowledge that this partnership between CMI and MOHHS does not obligate CMI to any financial obligation for the duration of this partnership.

**Funding**

All expenses incurred by CMI for the establishment and operation of the Quarantine Medical Center at Arrak Campus will be fully reimbursed by the MOHHS. CMI will submit to MOHHS monthly reports including supporting documents to verify the expenditure reports.

**Liability**

No liability will arise or be assumed during this Partnership as a result of this MOU.

**Term**

This MOU is at-will and may be modified by mutual consent of authorized officials from CMI and MOHHS. This MOU shall become effective upon signature by the authorized officials from CMI and MOHHS. This MOU will remain in effect until written notice of not less than 60 working days is communicated by the party intending to terminate. In the absence of mutual agreement by the authorized officials from CMI and MOHHS this MOU shall end on **December 31, 2020**.

**Notice**

Any notice or communication required or permitted under this MOU shall be sufficiently given if delivered in person or by certified e-mail from an authorized representative from CMI or MOHHS.

**Assignment**

Neither party may assign or transfer the responsibilities or agreement made herein without prior consent of the non-assigning party, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

**Understanding**

It is mutually agreed upon and understood by and among the Partners of the MOU that:

**CMI:**

1. CMI will provide the Arrak Facilities to MOHHS for the sole purpose of establishing a Quarantine Medical Center.

2. CMI will modify its Wet/Dry lab to meet the need of the MOHHS medical team.
3. CMI will ensure the Arrak Campus is fully operational 24/7 including but not limited to running water and electricity.
4. CMI will finance fifty (50) percent of the total costs to build the new Quarantine Facility Building at Arrak for contacts (those who had some contact with suspected and confirmed cases).
5. CMI will provide regular maintenance on the new facilities to ensure they are in good working condition.

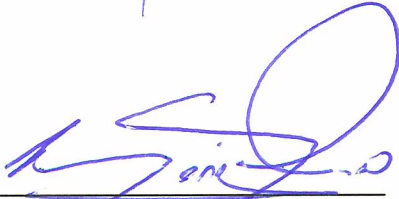
**MOHHS:**

1. MOHHS will provide all consumables required to operate the Quarantine Medical Center facility.
2. MOHHS will ensure all staffing required to operate the Quarantine Medical Center facility.
3. MOHHS will finance fifty (50) percent of the total costs to build the new Quarantine Facility Building at Arrak for 'contacts' (those who had some contact with suspected and confirmed cases).
4. MOHHS will ensure timely payment of any charges submitted for reimbursement.
5. MOHHS will indemnify CMI of any risk and future liabilities.
6. MOHHS will provide \$10,500 upfront to CMI for the sole purposes of cleaning the facility when they are vacated by MOHHS following the end of the State of Emergency and when the Travel Advisories are lifted.

The CMI and MOHHS support the goals and objectives of the Quarantine Medical Center at CMI Arrak campus and agree to the terms of this MOU.

**Signatories**

This Agreement shall be signed on behalf of CMI by Theresa Koroivulaono and on behalf of MOHHS by Jack Niedenthal. This Agreement shall be effective from the date of signing.



Dr. Theresa Koroivulaono  
President, CMI



Jack Niedenthal  
Secretary, RMI MOHHS

Date:

03-09-2020

Date:

3-5-2020