Fiscal Year 2021 MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT TO PARTNER WITH BARTOW COLLABORATIVE, INC.

This agreement is made by and among the family serving agencies and organizations of Bartow County and consumers of their services, hereinafter collectively called the PARTNERS and the Bartow Collaborative, Inc., hereinafter called the Collaborative.

WHEREAS, the PARTNERS desire to create a quality of life in our community which supports and encourages the development of healthy families and facilitates the physical, mental, emotional, spiritual, social, educational, and economic growth of individual citizens; and

WHEREAS, the PARTNERS desire to create, maintain, and nurture a culturally diverse and collaborative community partnership that focuses on families, is driven by consumer needs, and is outcome accountable, to address the full range of human need through integrated services; and

WHEREAS, the PARTNERS agree to create a mutually supportive forum for discussion of family support issues and how to respond as a community based on Family Connection principles that recognize the root causes and interrelatedness of problems affecting families; that emphasize prevention, early intervention, and maintenance across the life span while recognizing the necessity of adequate treatment and crisis services; that are based on knowledge of the community's needs and assets and an ever expanding circle of inclusion; that include a mechanism for consumer participation and feedback; that are committed to a long term process of planning, implementation and evaluation; that recognize and support families of all compositions, that recognize support systems for individuals with no families, and provide a family network for those who have no one; and

WHEREAS, the PARTNERS desire to build a service system to benefit families and build a healthy community and neighborhood environment for families and individuals; and

WHEREAS, the PARTNERS are mutually agreed that such services will be undertaken and conducted both by PARTNERS individually and by the Collaborative; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this system is to encourage and empower families in Bartow County, Georgia, to access services in the areas of education, employment, child care, income support, health, mental health, nutrition, recreation, early intervention, maintenance, and related services; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the PARTNERS is to design a reconfigured continuum of service and provide effective and efficient outreach, intake, service planning, provision, and evaluation of services, the PARTNERS agree to:

- 1) Contribute staff time (agencies/organizations) or personal time (consumers) to the monthly Collaborative meetings and the execution of strategy team activities when applicable;
- 2) Provide current agency/organization-specific data services; baseline statistics related to outcomes; and funding streams to identify flexible funds/staff to contribute to the collaborative;
- 3) Agree to share information about grant availability, notify the Collaborative of intent to apply for grants, and solicit the support of the Collaborative as the collaborative body for available grants whenever possible.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this agreement to be duly executed as of the day and year first written above.

SIGNATURE	REPRESENTING	DATE
SIGNATURE	CHAIR, Bartow Collaborative	DATE
SIGNATURE	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, Bartow Collaborative	DATE