Waynesboro, Mississippi

Audited Financial Statements
Years Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

Waynesboro, Mississippi

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Trustees Wayne General Hospital Waynesboro, Mississippi

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of Wayne General Hospital (the "Hospital"), a component unit of Wayne County, Mississippi, as of and for the years ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Hospital's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities of the Hospital, as of September 30, 2015 and 2014, and its revenues, expenses and changes in net position and, cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 9 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Hospital's basic financial statements. The schedule of surety bonds for officials and employees on page 27 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of surety bonds for officials and employees has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 5, 2016 on our consideration of the Hospital's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Hospital's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Ridgeland, Mississippi January 5, 2016

Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

This section of Wayne General Hospital's (the "Hospital") annual financial report presents background information and management's analysis of the Hospital's financial performance during the fiscal years that ended on September 30, 2015 and 2014. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements in this report.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

The Hospital's total net position decreased by \$1,449,351 or approximately 6.6 percent from the prior year. This decrease results from the recognition of expenses in excess of revenues (decrease in net position).

At the end of the 2015 fiscal year, the assets of the Hospital exceeded liabilities by \$20,350,763. Of this amount, \$9,270,026 (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet ongoing obligations to the Hospital's employees, patients and creditors, \$10,741,140 is invested in capital assets and \$339,597 is designated for use in the Hospital's self-insurance programs. The Hospital established a self-insurance fund in accordance with the requirements of the Mississippi Tort Claims Board. During 2007, the Hospital changed from a self-insurance program and purchased a commercial policy. The Hospital is required to maintain the self-insurance fund for potential claims from the period of self-insurance.

Net patient service revenue increased by \$1,105,243 or 4.7 percent, from the prior year. This is due to an increase in outpatient and inpatient utilization and clinic visits. During this same period, operating expenses also increased by \$70,171 or 0.3 percent from the prior year. This increase is due to an increase in salaries and wages and maintenance and utilities. These increases will be further discussed in the Operating and Financial Performance section of this analysis.

Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2014

The Hospital's total net position decreased by \$2,342,963 or approximately 9.7 percent from the prior year. This decrease results from the recognition of expenses in excess of revenues (decrease in net position).

At the end of the 2014 fiscal year, the assets of the Hospital exceeded liabilities by \$21,800,114. Of this amount, \$10,180,460 (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet ongoing obligations to the Hospital's employees, patients and creditors, \$11,257,775 is invested in capital assets and \$361,879 is designated for use in the Hospital's self-insurance programs. The Hospital established a self-insurance fund in accordance with the requirements of the Mississippi Tort Claims Board. During 2007, the Hospital changed from a self-insurance program and purchased a commercial policy. The Hospital is required to maintain the self-insurance fund for potential claims from the period of self-insurance.

Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

Net patient service revenue decreased by \$3,155,904 or 11.8 percent, from the prior year. This is due to a decrease in outpatient and inpatient utilization and clinic visits. During this same period, operating expenses also decreased by \$832,010 or 3.0 percent from the prior year. This decrease is largely due to a decrease in salaries and wages. These decreases will be further discussed in the Operating and Financial Performance section of this analysis.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of four components - the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Operating Results (this section), the Independent Auditor's Report, the Financial Statements and Supplementary Information.

The financial statements of the Hospital report the financial position of the Hospital and the results of its operations and its cash flows. The financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. These statements offer short-term and long-term financial information about the Hospital's activities.

The statements of net position include all of the Hospital's assets and liabilities and provide information about the nature and amounts of investments in resources (assets) and the obligations to the Hospital's creditors (liabilities) for both the current year and the prior year. It also provides the basis for evaluating the capital structure of the Hospital, and assessing the liquidity and financial flexibility of the Hospital.

All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statements of revenue, expenses and changes in net position. These statements measure the performance of the Hospital's operations over the past year and can be used to determine whether the Hospital has been able to recover all of its costs through its patient service revenue and other revenue sources.

The primary purpose of the statements of cash flows is to provide information about the Hospital's cash from operating, investing and financing activities. The statements of cash flows outline where the cash comes from, what the cash is used for and the changes in the cash balance during the reporting period.

The annual report also includes notes to financial statements that are essential to gain a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found immediately following the basic financial statements in this report.

Following the notes to financial statements is a section containing supplementary information that further explains and supports the information reported in the financial statements. This section includes optional schedules showing gross patient service revenue and operating expenses by department.

Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE HOSPITAL

The statements of net position and the statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position report information about the Hospital's activities. Increases or improvements, as well as decreases or declines in the net position, are one indicator of the financial state of the Hospital. Other non-financial factors that should also be considered include changes in economic conditions, population growth (including uninsured and working poor) and new or changed government legislation.

Net Position

A summary of the Hospital's condensed statements of net position is presented in the following table:

Condensed Statements of Net Position

	Fiscal Year 2015	Fiscal Year 2014	Fiscal Year 2013
Current and other assets Capital assets, net	\$ 13,210,418 10,741,140	\$ 14,433,567 11,257,775	\$ 17,286,612 10,260,173
Total assets	\$ 23,951,558	\$ 25,691,342	\$ 27,546,785
Current liabilities	\$ 3,600,795	\$ 3,891,228	\$ 3,403,708
Total liabilities	\$ 3,600,795	\$ 3,891,228	\$ 3,403,708
Invested in capital assets Restricted Unrestricted	\$ 10,741,140 339,597 9,270,026	\$ 11,257,775 361,879 10,180,460	\$ 10,260,173 428,124 13,454,780
Total net position	\$ 20,350,763	\$ 21,800,114	\$ 24,143,077

Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

Current and other assets decreased 8.5 percent primarily due to a decrease in patient accounts receivable at net resulting from improved billings after a full year has passed since the system conversion.

Net capital assets decreased 4.6 percent due to current year depreciation expense exceeding purchases.

Current liabilities decreased 7.5 percent from the prior year primarily related to the decrease of accounts payable and accrued expenses.

Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2014

Current and other assets decreased 16.5 percent primarily due to a decrease of noncurrent cash and investments internally designated by the Board for capital acquisitions of \$1,884,098 from 2013 to 2014.

Net capital assets increased 9.7 percent due to the construction of the dialysis center building.

Current liabilities increased 14.3 percent from the prior year primarily related to the increase of accounts payable and accrued expenses

Capital Assets

	Fiscal Year 2015	Fiscal Year 2014	Fiscal Year 2013
Land and land improvements Construction in progress Building and leasehold improvements Equipment	\$ 1,866,399 69,122 15,103,731 15,858,957	\$ 1,866,399 1,875,261 13,154,449 15,404,062	\$ 1,772,419 943,965 13,115,973 14,768,898
Subtotal Less: accumulated depreciation Net capital assets	\$ 32,898,209 (22,157,069) 10,741,140	\$ 32,300,171 (21,042,396) 11,257,775	\$ 30,601,255 (20,341,082) 10,260,173

Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

Net capital assets decreased by \$516,635 primarily due to current year depreciation expense exceeding purchases. Current year capital additions equaled to \$609,554 consisting of forty-four additions, and depreciation was \$1,126,189.

Accumulated depreciation increased correspondingly with the addition of depreciable assets, offset by disposals of capital assets.

Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2014

Net capital assets increased by \$997,602 primarily due to construction of the dialysis center during the year. Capital additions equaled to \$2,116,374 consisting of fifty-nine additions, which included \$1,679,562 related to the construction of the dialysis center building. Current year depreciation was \$1,014,255.

Accumulated depreciation increased correspondingly with the addition of depreciable assets, offset by disposals of capital assets.

Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

Summary of Revenues and Expenses

The following table presents a summary of the Hospital's historical revenues and expenses for each of the fiscal years ended September 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013:

Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

	Fiscal	Fiscal	Fiscal
	Year	Year	Year
	2015	2014	2013
Net patient service revenue	\$ 24,787,923	\$ 23,682,680	\$ 26,838,584
Other operating revenue	499,894	637,222	1,149,766
Total operating revenues	25,287,817	24,319,902	27,988,350
Salaries and benefits Depreciation and amortization Professional fees, supplies and maintenance Total operating expenses	18,020,526	17,612,374	18,427,221
	1,129,189	1,017,255	970,949
	7,605,150	8,055,065	8,118,534
	26,754,865	26,684,694	27,516,704
Income (loss) from operations	(1,467,048)	(2,364,792)	471,646
Nonoperating revenues Grants and contributions Interest income	1,325	606	550
	16,372	21,223	35,280
Increase (decrease) in net position	\$ (1,449,351)	\$ (2,342,963)	\$ 507,476

Operating Revenues

Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

The Hospital derived 98.0 percent of its total operating revenues from net patient service revenues. Such revenues include revenues from the Medicare and Medicaid programs, patients or their third-party carriers who pay for care in the Hospital's facilities. The decrease in other operating revenues is the result of a decrease in revenues associated with electronic health record incentives.

Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2014

The Hospital derived 97.4 percent of its total operating revenues from net patient service revenues. Such revenues include revenues from the Medicare and Medicaid programs, patients or their third-party carriers who pay for care in the Hospital's facilities. Other operating revenues include revenues associated with electronic health record incentives totaling \$290,000.

Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

The following table represents the relative percentage of gross charges billed for patient services by payor for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013:

	Fiscal Year 2015	Fiscal Year 2014	Fiscal Year 2013
Medicare	47%	45%	41%
Medicaid	23	24	25
Other	30	31	34
Total gross charges	100%	100%	100%

OPERATING AND FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

The following summarizes statistical information as related to the Hospital's operations:

	2015	2014	2013
Actual number of acute patient days (adult)	8,252	7,433	9,375
Percentage of occupancy (adult)	35.9%	32.3%	40.8%
Newborn infant patient days	468	435	554
Swingbed patient days	2,926	2,790	3,487
Percentage of occupancy (swingbed)	47.2%	45.0%	56.2%
Discharges including deaths (adult)	2,033	1,849	2,235
Average length of stay (adult)	5.5	5.5	5.8
Average daily census (adult)	31	28	35
Medicare days	7,453	6,036	7,399
Medicaid days	2,670	2,357	3,148
Home health visits	9,191	8,830	12,980
Emergency room visits	15,706	14,291	13,611

The following summarizes changes in the Hospital's statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position between 2015 and 2014:

Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

- Total admissions increased from previous year, and there was an increase in total patient days. The Hospital patient days and admissions are 8,252 and 2,249, respectively. This is an increase of 11.0 percent and 9.3 percent, respectively, from 2014.
- Net patient service revenues increased as stated in the financial highlights. Operating expenses increased as a result of an addition in FTEs. Gross patient service revenue increased to \$54,218,781 from \$49,930,774 in the prior year.
- Professional fees, supplies and maintenance and utility expense decreased \$449,915 or 5.6 percent from the prior year.
- Interest income decreased \$4,851 from prior year due to decrease in balances of money market accounts.

Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2014

- Total admissions decreased from previous year, and there was a decrease in total patient days. The Hospital patient days and admissions are 7,433 and 2,057, respectively. This is a decrease of 20.5 percent and 15.2 percent, respectively, from 2013.
- Net patient service revenues decreased as stated in the financial highlights. Operating expenses decreased as a result of a reduction in FTEs. Gross patient service revenue decreased to \$49,930,774 from \$52,522,588 in the prior year.
- Professional fees, supplies and maintenance and utility expense decreased \$63,469 or 0.8 percent from the prior year.
- Interest income decreased \$14,057 from prior year due to decrease in balances of money market accounts.

CASH FLOWS

Changes in the Hospital's cash flows are consistent with changes in operating income losses and changes in net position discussed earlier.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

While the annual budget of the Hospital is not presented within these financial statements, the Hospital's Board and management considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2016 budget. While the financial outlook for the Hospital is stable, of primary importance in setting the 2016 budget is the status of the economy and the healthcare environment, which takes into account market forces and environmental factors such as:

- Medicare reimbursement changes
- Increased number of uninsured and working poor
- Ongoing competition for services
- Workforce shortages primarily in nursing and other clinically skilled positions
- Cost of supplies, including pharmaceuticals
- Impact of Healthcare Reform as it relates to reimbursement and employee health insurance coverage

CONTACTING THE HOSPITAL FINANCIAL MANAGER

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, customers and creditors with a general overview of the Hospital's finances. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, please contact the Administrator, Wayne General Hospital, Post Office Box 1249, Waynesboro, Mississippi 39367.

Statements of Net Position September 30, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,204,374	\$ 996,518
Patient receivables, net of estimated uncollectibles		
of \$6,831,336 in 2015 and \$6,783,670 in 2014	5,653,577	6,681,102
Estimated third-party payor settlements	222,535	261,301
Inventories	314,163	303,341
Prepaid expenses	357,385	378,969
Other current assets	 368,131	337,733
Total current assets	 9,120,165	8,958,964
Noncurrent cash and investments		
Internally designated by the Board for capital acquisitions	3,092,303	4,232,077
Restricted for use under self-insurance program	 339,597	361,879
Total noncurrent cash and investments	3,431,900	4,593,956
Capital assets, net	10,741,140	11,257,775
Other noncurrent assets, net	658,353	880,647
Total assets	 23,951,558	25,691,342
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	660,087	1,152,322
Accrued payroll and withholdings	1,346,136	1,155,629
Accrued compensated absences	 1,594,572	1,583,277
Total current liabilities	 3,600,795	3,891,228
NET POSITION	40 = 44 44=	44.0== ===
Net investment in capital assets	10,741,140	11,257,775
Restricted - expendable for self-insurance	339,597	361,879
Unrestricted	 9,270,026	10,180,460
Total net position	\$ 20,350,763	\$ 21,800,114

See accompanying notes.

Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position Years Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
Operating revenues		
Net patient service revenue, net of provision for bad		
debts of \$5,476,695 in 2015 and \$5,430,785 in 2014	\$ 24,787,923 \$	23,682,680
Other operating revenue	 499,894	637,222
Total operating revenues	 25,287,817	24,319,902
Operating expenses		
Salaries and wages	15,803,292	15,204,463
Professional fees	884,084	1,088,558
Employee benefits	2,217,234	2,407,911
Supplies and other	5,487,985	5,648,360
Maintenance and utilities	1,233,081	1,318,147
Depreciation and amortization	1,129,189	1,017,255
Total operating expenses	26,754,865	26,684,694
Loss from operations	 (1,467,048)	(2,364,792)
Nonoperating revenues		
Grants and contributions	1,325	606
Interest income	16,372	21,223
Total nonoperating revenues	 17,697	21,829
Decrease in net position	(1,449,351)	(2,342,963)
Net position, beginning of year	 21,800,114	24,143,077
Net position, end of year	\$ 20,350,763 \$	21,800,114

Statements of Cash Flows Years Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
Cash flows from operating activities		_
Receipts from and on behalf of patients	\$ 25,854,214 \$	24,306,952
Payments to suppliers and contractors	(8,094,739)	(7,498,577)
Payments to employees	(17,818,724)	(17,497,760)
Other receipts and payments, net	719,188	680,447
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	 659,939	(8,938)
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities		
Noncapital grants and contributions	 1,325	606
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities		
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	-	9,000
Purchases of capital assets	 (609,554)	(2,116,374)
Net cash used in capital and related financial activities	(609,554)	(2,107,374)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Interest on investments	 16,372	21,223
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	68,082	(2,094,483)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	 5,228,595	7,323,078
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 5,296,677 \$	5,228,595
Reconciliation of loss from operations to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities Loss from operations Adjustments to reconcile loss from operations to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ (1,467,048) \$	(2,364,792)
Depreciation and amortization	1,129,189	1,017,255
Provision for bad debts	5,476,695	5,430,785
Loss on disposal of capital assets	-	95,517
Changes in assets and liabilities		30,011
Patient receivables	(4,449,170)	(5,289,016)
Inventories	(10,822)	21,558
Estimated third-party payor settlements	38,766	482,503
Other assets	232,762	109,732
Accounts payable	(492,235)	372,906
Accrued salaries and compensated absences	201,802	114,614
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 659,939 \$	(8,938)
Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents to		
statements of net position		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,204,374 \$	996,518
Noncurrent cash and investments		
Internally designated by the Board for capital acquisitions	 3,092,303	4,232,077
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,296,677 \$	5,228,595

Years Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Nature of Operations, Reporting Entity and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of Operations and Reporting Entity

Wayne General Hospital (the "Hospital") is an acute care hospital established by Wayne County (the "County") as a special purpose government entity under the laws of the State of Mississippi. The Hospital is owned by the County and is governed by a Board of Trustees appointed by the County Board of Supervisors. Because of the relationship between the Hospital and the County, the Hospital has been defined as a component unit of the County.

The Hospital provides inpatient, outpatient and emergency care services primarily for residents of the County and the surrounding area. Admitting physicians are primarily practitioners in the same area. The Hospital is currently licensed to operate 80 inpatient beds.

Budgetary Information

The Hospital is required by statute of the State of Mississippi to prepare a non-appropriated annual budget. The budget is not subject to appropriation and is therefore not required to be presented as supplementary information.

The significant accounting policies used by the Hospital in preparing and presenting its financial statements are as follows:

Basis of Accounting

The Hospital prepares its financial statements as a business-type activity in conformity with the applicable pronouncements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB"). The accompanying financial statements of the Hospital have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting using the economic resources measurement focus. In December 2010, the GASB issued Statement No. 62, Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA Pronouncements. GASB 62 makes the GASB Accounting Standards Codification the sole source of authoritative accounting guidance for governmental entities in the United States of America.

New Accounting Standards Adopted

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 69 ("GASB 69")

The Hospital adopted GASB No. 69, *Government Combinations and Disposals of Government Operations*, in fiscal year 2015. This statement provides guidance for financial accounting and reporting of government combinations and disposals of government operations. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on the Hospital's financial statements.

Accounting Pronouncements Issued Not Yet Adopted

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 72 ("GASB 72")

The Hospital will adopt GASB 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application, in fiscal year 2016. This statement provides guidance for determining a fair value measurement for financial reporting purposes. This statement also provides guidance for applying fair value to certain investments and disclosures related to all fair value measurements. The requirements of this statement are effective for financial statements for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2015.

Years Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Continued

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The most sensitive estimates included in these financial statements relate to contractual discounts under third-party contracts and the allowance for uncollectible accounts receivable.

The accounting estimates used in the preparation of the financial statements will change as new events occur, as more experience is acquired and as additional information is obtained. Future events and their effects cannot be predicted with certainty; accordingly, our accounting estimates require the exercise of judgment. In particular, laws and regulations governing Medicare and Medicaid programs are extremely complex and subject to interpretation. As a result, there is at least a possibility that recorded estimates related to these programs will change by a material amount in the near term.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include all cash accounts and investments in highly liquid instruments with an original maturity of three months or less, including cash and investments internally designated by the Board for capital acquisitions.

Cash and cash equivalents includes funds held on behalf of employees who participate in the Hospital's Christmas Club Program. Funds that were not paid out at September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, totaled \$271,014 and \$278,730. The Hospital has recorded an accrual for these amounts, which are included in accrued payroll and withholdings on the accompanying statements of net position.

Patient Receivables

Patient receivables are reported at net realizable value, after deduction of allowances for estimated uncollectible accounts and third-party contractual discounts. The allowance for uncollectible accounts is based on historical losses and an analysis of currently outstanding amounts. This account is generally increased by charges to a provision for uncollectible accounts, and decreased by write-offs of accounts determined by management to be uncollectible. The allowances for third-party contractual discounts are based on the estimated differences between the Hospital's established rates and the actual amounts to be received under each contract. Changes in estimates by material amounts are reasonably possible in the near term.

Inventories

Inventories, which consist primarily of medical supplies and drugs, are stated at cost based on the first-in, first-out method, or at market, whichever is lower.

Years Ended September 30, 2015 and 2014

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Continued

Prepaid Expenses

Prepaid expenses are amortized over the estimated period of future benefit, generally on a straight-line basis.

Noncurrent Cash and Investments

Noncurrent cash and investments include assets set aside by the Board of Trustees for future capital improvements as well as assets externally restricted for use in its self-insurance program. The Board retains control of the funds set aside for future capital improvements and may, at its discretion, subsequently use them for other purposes.

Investments in money market deposits are interest-bearing accounts and are carried at cost plus accrued interest. Interest income is reported as non-operating revenues.

Capital Assets, Net

Capital asset acquisitions are recorded at cost, if purchased or at fair value at the date of the gift, if donated. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful life of each class of depreciable asset and is computed using the straight-line method. Interest cost on borrowed funds during the period of construction of capital assets is capitalized as a component of the cost of acquiring those assets.

In accordance with GASB, management evaluates assets for potential impairment when a significant, unexpected decline in the service utility of a capital asset occurs.

Other Noncurrent Assets

Medical records associated with the purchase of certain assets of the Waynesboro Family Clinic (the "Clinic") are included in other noncurrent assets, net of accumulated amortization of \$21,250 and \$18,250 at September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. Amortization expense is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life.

The Hospital has entered into various agreements with physicians, specifically to benefit the Hospital's community service area. These agreements include income guarantees and other advances, all of which are generally conditioned upon a service commitment to the community. Advances under these agreements are forgiven upon fulfillment of the professional's contractual service commitment, but are due in full if such commitment is not fulfilled. Advances under these arrangements are amortized to expense using the straight-line method over the related commitment period. Amounts expected to be amortized in the ensuing fiscal year are classified as a current asset in the accompanying statements of net position.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

Long-lived assets and certain identifiable intangibles are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to future net cash flows expected to be generated by the assets. If such assets are

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Note 1. Continued

considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of the carrying amount of fair value less costs to sell.

Compensated Absences

The Hospital policy is to compensate employees for absences due to earned vacation and sick leave. Accumulated vacation pay is accrued at the balance sheet date because it is payable upon termination of employment. Sick pay accrues but is not reflected as a liability because it is not payable upon termination of employment.

Net Position

Net position consists of net investment in capital assets; restricted and unrestricted. The net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and the outstanding balance of any related debt that is attributable to the acquisitions of the capital assets. Restricted are those resources that are externally restricted by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws and regulations or those restricted by constitutional provisions and enabling legislation. Unrestricted net position consists of resources that do not meet the definition of invested in capital assets, net of related debt or restricted. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available to finance particular programs, it is the Hospital's policy to use the restricted resources before using the unrestricted resources.

Of the \$9,270,026 and \$10,180,460 of unrestricted net position reported at September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, \$3,092,303 and \$4,232,077 has been designated by the Hospital's Board of Trustees for capital acquisitions at September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. Designated funds remain under the control of the Board of Trustees, which may at its discretion later use the funds for the other purposes.

Patient Service Revenue

The Hospital has agreements with third-party payors that provide for payments to the Hospital at amounts different from its established rates. Payment arrangements include prospectively determined rates per discharge, reimbursed costs, discounted charges and per diem payments. Patient service revenue is reported at estimated net realizable amounts from patients, third-party payors and others for services rendered and includes estimated retroactive adjustments under reimbursement agreements with third-party payors. Retroactive adjustments are considered in the recognition and accrual of revenue on an estimated basis in the period the related services are rendered and adjusted in future periods as final settlements are determined.

The primary third-party programs include Medicare and Medicaid, which account for a significant amount of the Hospital's revenue. The laws and regulations under which Medicare and Medicaid programs operate are complex and subject to interpretation and frequent changes. As part of operating under these programs, there is a possibility that government authorities may review the Hospital's compliance with these laws and regulations. Such reviews may result in adjustments to program reimbursement previously received and subject the Hospital to fines and penalties. Management believes it has complied with the requirements of these programs.

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Note 1. Continued

Charity Care

The Hospital provides medical care without charge or at a reduced charge to patients who meet certain criteria under its charity care policy. Because the Hospital does not pursue collection of amounts determined to qualify as charity care, these charges are not reported as revenue.

Operating Revenues and Expenses

The Hospital's statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position distinguish between operating and nonoperating revenues and expenses. Operating revenues result from exchange transactions associated with providing healthcare services, which is the Hospital's principal activity. Nonexchange revenues, including grants and contributions received for purposes other than capital asset acquisition and interest income are reported as nonoperating revenues. Operating expenses are all expenses incurred to provide healthcare services, other than financing costs.

Electronic Health Record Incentive Payments

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 provides for Medicare and Medicaid incentive payments beginning in 2011 for eligible hospitals and professionals that adopt and meaningfully use certified electronic health record ("EHR") technology. The Hospital must also attest to certain criteria in order to qualify to receive the incentive payments. The amount of the incentive payments are calculated using predetermined formulas based on available information, primarily related to discharges and patient days. The Hospital recognizes revenues related to Medicare incentive payments ratably over each EHR reporting period (October 1 to September 30) when it has been demonstrated meaningful use requirements of certified EHR technology for the EHR reporting period. The Hospital recognizes Medicaid incentive payments in the period that it qualifies for the funds based on the provisions of the State of Mississippi Division of Medicaid.

The Hospital recognized \$-0- and \$290,000 of revenues related to the Medicare incentive program for the years ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. These revenues are reflected in other operating revenues on the accompanying statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position. The Hospital had \$-0- and \$290,000 of receivables related to the Medicare and Medicaid incentive programs at September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. These receivables are reflected in estimated third-party payor settlements on the accompanying statements of net position. Future incentive payments could vary due to certain factors such as availability of federal funding for both Medicare and Medicaid incentive payments and the Hospital's ability to implement and demonstrate meaningful use of certified EHR technology.

The Hospital has and will continue to incur both capital costs and operating expenses in order to implement its certified EHR technology and meet meaningful use requirements in the future. These expenses are ongoing and are projected to continue over all stages of implementation of meaningful use. The timing of recognizing the expenses may not correlate with the receipt of the incentive payments and the recognition of revenues. There can be no assurance that the Hospital will be able to continue to demonstrate meaningful use of certified EHR technology in the future, and the failure to do so could have a material, adverse effect on the results of operations. As a part of operating this program, there is a possibility that government authorities may make adjustments to amounts previously recorded by the Hospital. The Hospital's attestation of demonstrating meaningful use is also subject to review by the appropriate government authorities. The amount of revenues recognized is based on management's best estimate, which is subject to change. Such changes will be reflected in the period in which the changes occur.

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Note 1. Continued

Estimated Malpractice Costs

The Hospital considers the need for recording a liability for malpractice claims. When determined to be necessary, the provision for estimated malpractice claims and the cost associated with litigation and settlement includes estimates of the ultimate costs for both reported claims and claims incurred but not reported.

Income Taxes

The Hospital is a governmental entity and, as such, is exempt from federal and state income taxes.

Note 2. Cash Deposits and Investments

Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Hospital's deposits might not be recovered. The collateral for public entities' deposits in financial institutions is held in the name of the State Treasurer under a program established by the Mississippi State Legislature and is governed by Section 27-105-5 Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Under this program, the entity's funds are protected through a collateral pool administered by the State Treasurer. Financial institutions holding deposits of public funds must pledge securities as collateral against those deposits. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"). All deposits with financial institutions must be collateralized in an amount equal to 105 percent of uninsured deposits and are therefore fully insured. The bank balances of the collateralized and insured balances were \$5,496,706 and \$5,508,962 at September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Investments

The statutes of the State of Mississippi restrict the authorized investments of the Hospital to obligations of the U. S. Treasury, agencies and instrumentalities of the United States and certain other types of investments. The Hospital does not have a formal investment policy that further limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from changing interest rates. The Hospital's noncurrent cash and investments consist of money market funds held at one financial institution.

The composition of noncurrent cash and investments at September 30, 2015 and 2014 is as follows:

	2015	2014
Designated by the Board for capital improvements Money market accounts Designated for use under self-insurance programs	\$ 3,092,303	\$ 4,232,077
Money market accounts	 339,597	361,879
	\$ 3,431,900	\$ 4,593,956

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Note 3. Other Current Assets

The composition of other current assets at September 30, 2015 and 2014 is as follows:

	2015	2014
Current portion of advances to and receivable from healthcare professionals Other	\$ 122,814 245,317	\$ 273,795 63,938
	\$ 368,131	\$ 337,733

Note 4. Capital Assets, Net

Major classes of capital assets at September 30, 2015 and 2014 are summarized as follows:

	2015	2014
Land and improvements	\$ 1,866,399	\$ 1,866,399
Buildings	13,260,048	11,340,003
Building improvements	1,843,684	1,814,446
Fixed equipment	2,788,247	2,775,378
Major moveable equipment	 13,070,710	12,628,684
Total capital assets	32,829,088	30,424,910
Less accumulated depreciation	(22,157,070)	(21,042,396)
Construction in progress	 69,122	1,875,261
Capital assets, net	\$ 10,741,140	\$ 11,257,775

Depreciation expense for the years ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, totaled \$1,126,189 and \$1,104,255, respectively.

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Note 4. Continued

Capital asset additions, retirements and balances for the year ended September 30, 2015 were as follows:

	Balance September 30	,		Balance September 30,
	2014	Increases	Decreases	2015
Capital assets not being depreciated Land Construction in progress	\$ 476,686 1,875,261	\$ - 111,801	\$ - \$ (1,917,940)	476,686 69,122
Total capital assets not being depreciated	2,351,947	111,801	(1,917,940)	545,808
Capital assets being depreciated Land improvements Buildings Building improvements Fixed equipment Major moveable equipment	1,389,713 11,340,003 1,814,446 2,775,378 12,628,684	1,920,045 29,238 12,869 453,541	- - - - (11,515)	1,389,713 13,260,048 1,843,684 2,788,247 13,070,710
Total capital assets being depreciated	29,948,224	2,415,693	(11,515)	32,352,402
Less accumulated depreciation for Land improvements Buildings Building improvements Fixed equipment Major moveable equipment	(931,855) (3,956,789) (1,031,451) (5,381,940) (9,740,361)	(28,800) (227,974) (36,000) (156,000) (677,415)	- - - - 11,515	(960,655) (4,184,763) (1,067,451) (5,537,940) (10,406,261)
Total accumulated depreciation	(21,042,396)	(1,126,189)	11,515	(22,157,070)
Capital assets being depreciated, net	8,905,828	1,289,504	-	10,195,332
Capital assets, net	\$ 11,257,775	\$ 1,401,305	\$ (1,917,940) \$	10,741,140

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Note 4. Continued

Capital asset additions, retirements and balances for the year ended September 30, 2014 were as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	September 30 2013	, Increases	Decreases	September 30, 2014
Operated assets and being decreasing of		1110104333	Boorcasos	2011
Capital assets not being depreciated Land	\$ 476,686	\$ - \$	- \$	476,686
Construction in progress	943,965	1,679,562	(748,266)	1,875,261
Total capital assets not being				
depreciated	1,420,651	1,679,562	(748,266)	2,351,947
Capital assets being depreciated				
Land improvements	1,295,733	93,980	-	1,389,713
Buildings	11,340,003	· -	-	11,340,003
Building improvements	1,775,971	38,475	-	1,814,446
Fixed equipment	2,775,378	-	-	2,775,378
Major moveable equipment	11,993,519	1,052,623	(417,458)	12,628,684
Total capital assets being				
depreciated	29,180,604	1,185,078	(417,458)	29,948,224
Less accumulated depreciation for				
Land improvements	(903,055)	(28,800)	-	(931,855)
Buildings	(3,752,789)	(204,000)	-	(3,956,789)
Building improvements	(995,451)	(36,000)	-	(1,031,451)
Fixed equipment	(5,225,940)	(156,000)	-	(5,381,940)
Major moveable equipment	(9,463,847)	(589,455)	312,941	(9,740,361)
Total accumulated depreciation	(20,341,082)	(1,014,255)	312,941	(21,042,396)
Capital assets being depreciated, net	8,839,522	170,823	(104,517)	8,905,828
Capital assets, net	\$ 10,260,173	\$ 1,850,385 \$	(852,783) \$	11,257,775

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Note 5. Other Noncurrent Assets

The composition of other noncurrent assets at September 30, 2015 and 2014 consisted of the following:

	2015	2014
Deposits Medical records, net of accumulated amortization Advances to and receivables from healthcare professionals,	\$ 200 8,750	\$ 200 11,750
less current portion	 649,403	868,697
Total other noncurrent assets	\$ 658,353	\$ 880,647

Note 6. Retirement Plan

The Board of Trustees of the Hospital has established a defined contribution retirement plan for the benefit of the Hospital's employees. Participants may direct the investment of their account balance within a predefined range of investment alternatives. Participant contributions are matched by the employer on a 1 to 1 basis, up to a maximum contribution as defined by the plan; however, the employee must contribute a minimum of 2 percent to receive the employer match.

The participant can elect to make voluntary contributions, in addition to the above, of up to 20 percent of compensation, which are not matched by the employer.

Actual contributions during the years ended September 30, 2015 and 2014 were as follows:

	2015	2014
Hospital Participant	\$ 181,368 504,989	\$ 191,867 504,404
Total	\$ 686,357	\$ 696,271

Note 7. Insurance Programs

Risk Management

The Hospital is exposed to various risks of loss from torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; business interruption; errors and omissions; employee injuries and illnesses; natural disasters; and employee health and accident benefits. Commercial insurance coverage is purchased for claims arising from such matters. The Hospital also carries insurance for medical malpractice claims and judgments, as discussed below.

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Note 7. Continued

Medical Malpractice Insurance

The Hospital held professional and general liability insurance under a self-funded plan prior to 2007. During 2007, the Hospital purchased professional and general liability insurance to cover medical malpractice claims. The Hospital has not accrued any losses for malpractice claims or expenses for periods subsequent to the self-funded plan. Nevertheless, the future assertion of claims for occurrences prior to year-end is reasonably possible and may occur, although not anticipated. In any event, management believes that any such claims would be substantially covered under its insurance program.

The Mississippi Tort Claims Act provides a cap on the amount of damages recoverable against government entities, including governmental hospitals. For claims arising, the amount recoverable is the greater of \$500,000 or the amount of liability insurance coverage that has been retained.

Self-Funded Health Insurance

The Hospital provides health insurance coverage to its employees under a self-funded plan. Health claims are paid by the Hospital as they are incurred and filed by the employee. An estimated liability for claims incurred but not reported or paid is included in accrued expenses and operating expenses in the accompanying financial statements. Commercial insurance is purchased for claims in excess of coverage provided by the Hospital to limit the Hospital's liability or losses under its self-insurance program. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial insurance in either of the past three years.

The claims liability at September 30, 2015 and 2014 is based on the requirements of GASB and provides that a liability for claims be reported if information prior to the issuance of the financial statements indicates that it is probable that a liability has been incurred at the date of the financial statements and that amount of loss can be reasonably estimated. Changes in the Hospital's claims liability amount are reflected below:

	2015	2014
Claims liability, beginning of year	\$ 181,632 \$	181,632
Claims filed and changes in estimates	1,172,617	1,388,749
Claims paid	(1,196,667)	(1,388,749)
Claims liability, end of year	\$ 157,572 \$	181,632

Note 8. Net Patient Service Revenue

The Hospital has agreements with third-party payors that provide for payments to the Hospital for services rendered at amounts different from its established rates. A summary of the payment arrangements with major third-party payors follows:

Medicare

Inpatient acute, swingbed, outpatient and home health services rendered to Medicare program beneficiaries are paid at prospectively determined rates. These rates vary according to a patient classification system that is based on clinical, diagnostic and other factors. Medicare bad debts and

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Note 8. Continued

disproportionate share payments are paid at a tentative rate with final settlement determined after submission of annual costs and audits thereof by the fiscal intermediary.

Medicaid

Inpatient and outpatient services rendered to Medicaid program beneficiaries are reimbursed based upon a prospective reimbursement methodology. The Hospital is reimbursed at a prospective rate, which is adjusted annually based on published market basket updates (inpatient) or adjusted cost-to-charge ratios per annual cost reports (outpatient) as submitted by the Hospital and settled by the Medicaid fiscal intermediary. Beginning September 1, 2012, the Medicaid program changed to an Ambulatory Payment Classification ("APC") system for outpatient payments and beginning October 1, 2012, an APR-DRG system for inpatient payments.

Revenue from the Medicare and Medicaid programs accounted for approximately 47 percent and 23 percent, respectively, of the Hospital's gross patient service revenue for the year ended 2015. During 2014, revenue from Medicare and Medicaid programs accounted for 45 percent and 24 percent, respectively, of the Hospital's gross patient service revenue. Laws and regulations governing the Medicare and Medicaid programs are extremely complex and subject to interpretation. As a result, there is at least a reasonable possibility that recorded estimates will change by a material amount in the near-term. The 2015 net patient service revenue increased approximately \$99,900 due to prior-year retroactive adjustments in excess of amounts previously estimated. The 2014 net patient service revenue decreased approximately \$52,800 due to prior-year retroactive adjustments in excess of amounts previously estimated. The Hospital's cost reports have been settled through 2011.

The Hospital participates in the Mississippi Intergovernmental Transfer Program as a Medicaid Disproportionate Share Hospital ("DSH") and in the Medicaid Upper Payment Limit Program ("UPL"). Under these programs, the Hospital receives enhanced reimbursement through a matching mechanism. For the fiscal years ended September 30 2015 and 2014, the Hospital received \$2,048,870 and \$2,167,774 from the UPL program, respectively. DSH and UPL amounts are shown as a reduction of contractual adjustments with related assessments of \$1,393,550 and \$1,389,911 for the years ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, recorded in operating expenses.

Beginning with the state fiscal year 2016, July 1, 2015, UPL payments were phased out and the Division of Medicaid ("DOM") implemented the Mississippi Hospital Access Payment ("MHAP") program (the "MHAP Program") in its place. The MHAP Program will be administered by the DOM through the MississippiCAN coordinated care organizations ("CCO"). The CCO's will subcontract with the Hospitals throughout the state for distribution of the MHAP for the purpose of protecting patient access to hospital care. The MHAP Program is scheduled to begin December 1, 2015 and the MHAP payments and associated tax will be distributed and collected in seven equal installments during the months of December 2015 through June 2016. The MHAP Program, however, is currently pending CMS approval and therefore subject to significant modifications. The Hospital has accrued \$222,535 related to the MHAP payments, net of tax, at September 30, 2015, based on information most readily and reasonably available to management.

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Note 8. Continued

Managed Care

The Hospital has also entered into payment agreements with certain commercial insurance carriers, health maintenance organizations and preferred provider organizations. The basis for payment to the Hospital under these agreements includes prospectively determined rates per discharge, discounts from established charges and prospectively determined daily rates.

A summary of gross and net patient service revenue for the years ended September 30, 2015 and 2014 follows:

	2015	2014
Gross patient service revenue	\$ 54,218,781	\$ 49,930,774
Less provisions for Contractual adjustments under third-party reimbursement programs and other deductions Provision for bad debts	 23,954,163 5,476,695	20,817,309 5,430,785
Net patient service revenue	\$ 24,787,923	\$ 23,682,680

Note 9. Charity Care

The Hospital maintains records to identify and monitor the level of charity care it provides. The amount of charges foregone for services and supplies furnished under the Hospital's charity care policy aggregated approximately \$1,237,000 and \$1,298,000 for the years ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. The estimated cost of charity care, estimated using a ratio of cost to gross charges, totaled approximately \$597,000 and \$676,000 for the years ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Note 10. Concentrations of Credit Risk

Patient Receivables

The Hospital grants credit without collateral to its patients, most of who are local residents and are insured under third-party payor agreements. The percentage mix of net patient receivables from patients and major third-party payors at September 30, 2015 and 2014 was as follows:

	2015	2014
Medicare	35%	26%
Medicaid	12	15
Commercial insurance	21	17
Other	32	42
Total	100%	100%

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Note 11. Commitments and Contingencies

The Hospital is involved in litigation and regulatory investigations arising in the normal course of business. Based on consultations with legal counsel, management is of the opinion that these matters will be resolved without material adverse effect on the Hospital's future financial position or on the results of its future operations.

Note 12. Risks and Uncertainties

Current Economic Conditions

The current economic environment continues to present hospitals with unprecedented circumstances and challenges, which in some cases have resulted in large declines in the fair values of investments and other assets, large declines in contributions, constraints on liquidity and difficulty obtaining financing.

Additionally, current economic conditions, including the rising unemployment rate, have made it difficult for certain of the Hospital's patients to pay for services rendered. As employers make adjustments to health insurance plans or more patients become unemployed, services provided to self-pay and other payers may significantly impact net patient service revenue, which could have an adverse impact on the Hospital's future operating results. Further, the effect of economic conditions on the state could have an adverse effect on cash flows related to the Medicaid program. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared using values and information currently available to the Hospital.

Patient Protection and Affordable Care Reconciliation Act

On March 23, 2010, the most sweeping healthcare legislation since the advent of Medicare was signed into law. The law promises to expand insurance coverage to an additional 32 million Americans, reduce the growth of Medicare expenditures, dramatically reform insurance markets, and continue the trend toward value-based payment. The Reconciliation Act adds some new provisions that were not included originally. Several legal challenges have been made against the legislation since it was enacted, and uncertainty exists as to the ultimate impact of the legislation on the healthcare delivery system. On June 28, 2012, The United States Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of components of the Affordable Care Act, allowing the historic overhaul of the healthcare system to continue. Potential impacts of healthcare reform include uncertainty and volatility in Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement, fundamental changes in payment systems, increased regulation and significant required investments in healthcare information technology.

Schedule of Surety Bonds for Officials and Employees September 30, 2015

Name	Position	Company	Amount of Bond
Kenny Odom	Trustee/ President	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America	\$ 100,000
Martin Stadalis	Trustee/ Vice-President	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America	100,000
Gene A. Cooper	Trustee/ Secretary	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America	100,000
Margaret Nored	Trustee	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America	100,000
William H. Hutto	Trustee	Western Surety Company	100,000
E. S. Roberts	Trustee	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America	100,000
Clifford McCarty	Trustee	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America	100,000
Katherine Waddell	Hospital Administrator	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America	100,000



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Trustees Wayne General Hospital Waynesboro, Mississippi

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities of Wayne General Hospital (the "Hospital"), as of September 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Hospital's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 5, 2016.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Hospital's internal control over financial reporting ("internal control") to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Hospital's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Hospital's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control that we consider to be a material weakness and other deficiencies that we consider to be significant deficiencies. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 2015-4 and 2015-5 to be material weaknesses. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charges with governance. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 2015-1, 2015-2 and 2015-3 to be significant deficiencies.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Hospital's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

The Hospital's Responses to Findings

The Hospital's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. The Hospital's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Ridgeland, Mississippi January 5, 2016

Schedule of Findings and Responses Year Ended September 30, 2015

Significant Deficiencies:	
Reference	
Number	Finding

Finding 2015-1

Criteria or Specific Requirement - Proper segregation of duties requires that no single employee have access, authority and approval over a single process.

Condition - The materials management purchasing agent has all of the following responsibilities: performs inventory level counts, places orders, signs for receipt of goods and enters receipt of goods into the system, adds new vendors and initials invoices indicating the invoice is ready to be processed for payment. In addition to those responsibilities, the materials management purchasing agent also has access to the accounts payable system.

Context-Segregation of duties is required to mitigate risk related to access, authority and approval within the purchasing department.

Effect- Lack of the segregation of duties could lead to errors or irregularities due to one individual performing multiple duties within a single process.

Cause-Lack of personnel within the purchasing department.

Recommendation -Management should shift a portion of the responsibilities of the purchasing agent to another employee, who does not have conflicting duties within the Hospital, to eliminate a single person from performing the entire process.

Views of Responsible Official and Planned Corrective Actions - Management will evaluate the cost benefit of shifting these duties.

Finding 2015-2

Criteria or Specific Requirement - Proper segregation of duties requires that no single employee have access, authority and approval over a single process.

Condition--The human resources director has all of the following responsibilities: sets up new employees and makes changes to the HR module, maintains the payroll system and processes payroll.

Schedule of Findings and Responses Year Ended September 30, 2015

Reference	
Number	Finding

Context – Segregation of duties is required to mitigate risk related to access, authority and approval within the payroll department.

Effect – Lack of the segregation of duties could lead to errors or irregularities due to one individual performing multiple duties within a single process.

Cause - Lack of personnel within the payroll department.

Recommendation – Management should shift a portion of the responsibilities of the human resources director to another employee, who does not have conflicting duties within the Hospital, to eliminate a single person from performing the entire process.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions - Management will evaluate the cost benefit of shifting these duties.

Finding 2015-3

Criteria or Specific Requirement - Proper segregation of duties requires that no single employee have access, authority and approval over a single process.

Condition - -The business office manager has all of the following responsibilities: initiation of wire transfers, signature authority, reconciles bank statements and posts journal entries. In addition to those responsibilities, the business office manager reviews all transfers and payments at the end of each month, which have been processed without any prior approval.

Context – Segregation of duties is required to mitigate risk related to access, authority and approval within the business office department.

Effect - Lack of the segregation of duties could lead to errors or irregularities due to one individual performing multiple duties within a single process.

Cause - Lack of personnel within the business office department.

Recommendation - Management should shift a portion of the responsibilities of the business office manager to another employee, who does not have conflicting duties within the Hospital, to eliminate a single person from performing the entire process.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions - Management will evaluate the cost benefit of shifting these duties.

Schedule of Findings and Responses Year Ended September 30, 2015

Reference	
Number Finding	

Finding 2015-4

Criteria or Specific Requirement - Proper internal controls surrounding accounts receivable and revenue require monthly calculations and evaluation of the allowance for bad debt and contractual allowances.

Condition - The Hospital does not have a formal monthly methodology for the calculation of allowances for bad debt and contractual adjustments surrounding accounts receivable and the related revenue. Because a formal process does not exist, financial statements may not accurately reflect the financial position of the Hospital.

Context - Journal entries were required to correct misstatements not identified by management during the fiscal year ended 2015 audit.

Effect - Monthly and annual financial statements may not accurately reflect the financial position of the Hospital.

Cause - Lack of the implementation of a formal monthly methodology for the calculation of allowances for bad debt and contractual adjustments.

Recommendation - Management should adopt a formal methodology for the calculation of allowances for bad debt and contractual adjustments surrounding accounts receivable and revenue on a monthly basis.

Views of Responsible Official and Planned Corrective Actions - Management will evaluate the monthly and year-end process surrounding accounts receivable and the relate revenue and begin developing and implementing procedures to address any and all operational and accounting process deficiencies.

Finding 2015-5

Criteria or Specific Requirement - Procedures such as periodic reconciliations of subsidiary details to the general ledger and analysis of all significant accounts to evaluate the accuracy of the ending balances are key components in ensuring the accuracy of accounting data and information included in the financial statements.

Condition - The Hospital had control deficiencies related to fixed assets and liability accounts that when aggregated resulted in a material weakness in the financial statement close process.

Schedule of Findings and Responses Year Ended September 30, 2015

Material Weakness:		
Reference		
Number	Finding	

Context - Multiple accounts and subsidiary details were not reconciled timely as of September 30, 2015. Failure to perform reconciliations timely resulted in adjustments to the financial statements after the closing process was complete.

Effect - Failure to perform such procedures resulted in untimely detection of errors.

Cause - Controls were not operating that would ensure transactions were recorded in the proper period.

Recommendation - Management should continue to formalize and implement procedures to reconcile subsidiary details to the general ledger on a periodic basis, to investigate and resolve differences in a timely manner and to evaluate all significant accounts for completeness and accuracy.

Views of Responsible Official and Planned Corrective Actions - Management will evaluate the monthly and year-end financial close process and begin developing and implementing procedures to address any and all operational and accounting process deficiencies.