#### HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1 PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2024 AND 2023



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#### Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Years Ended October 31, 2024 and 2023

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This section of the Hospital Service District's annual financial report presents background information and management's analysis of the District's financial performance during the fiscal year that ended on October 31, 2024. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements in this report.

#### **Financial Highlights**

- The District's total assets increased by \$5,940,678, or roughly 9.59%. The increase in assets results from an increase in investments.
- The District's total liabilities decreased by \$5,131,147, or roughly 47.09%. The decrease in liabilities results from a decrease in net pension liability.
- The District's total assets exceeded its total liabilities by approximately \$62 million, \$51 million, \$58 million at October 31, 2024, 2023 and 2022, respectively.
- During the year, the District's net patient service revenue increased by \$1.9 million, or 8.55%. Operating expenses decreased by \$624,770, or 2.10%. The District had income from operations of \$3,092,572, \$1,433,752, and \$3,581,290 in 2024, 2023, and 2022, respectively.
- Nonoperating income and expenses contributed to an overall positive change in net position over the past three years. Net position increased by \$7,715,118, \$5,384,483, and \$4,558,324 in 2024, 2023, and 2022, respectively.
- The District received sales tax revenues of \$2,965,950 in fiscal year 2024, \$2,861,606 in fiscal year 2023, and \$2,791,447 in fiscal year 2022.

#### **Required Financial Statements**

The Financial Statements of the District report information about the District using Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) accounting principles. These statements offer short-term and long-term financial information about its activities. The Statements of Net Position include all of the District's assets and liabilities and provide information about the nature and amounts of investments in resources (assets) and the obligations to District creditors (liabilities). It also provides the basis for computing rate of return, evaluating the capital structure of the District and assessing the liquidity and financial flexibility of the District. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the Statements of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position. This statement measures improvements in the District's operations over the past two years and can be used to determine whether the District has been able to recover all of its costs through its patient service revenue and other revenue sources. The final required financial statement is the Statements of Cash Flows. The primary purpose of this statement is to provide information about the District's cash from operations, investing, and financing activities, and to provide answers to such questions as where did cash come from, what was cash used for, and what was the change in cash balance during the reporting period.

#### **Financial Analysis of the Hospital Service District**

The Statements of Net Position and the Statements of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position report information about the Hospital Service District's activities. These two statements report the net position of the District and changes in them. Increases or decreases in the District's net position are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. However, other nonfinancial factors such as changes in the health care industry, changes in Medicare and Medicaid regulations, and changes in managed care contracting should also be considered.

#### **Net Position**

The District's net position is the difference between its assets, deferred outflows, liabilities and deferred inflows reported in the statement of net position. As discussed in the financial highlights, the District's net position increased by \$7,715,118. The financial highlights also discuss the changes in assets and liabilities as presented in Table 1 below:

TABLE 1
Condensed Statements of Net Position

	2024	2023	2022
Total current assets Land & Depreciable Assets - net Other assets	\$ 9,458,297 14,764,591 43,664,290	\$ 9,667,336 15,058,958 37,220,206	\$ 8,899,043 13,525,241 39,716,076
Total Assets	67,887,178	61,946,500	62,140,360
Deferred outflows of resources	3,987,284	7,710,474	1,778,796
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 71,874,462	\$ 69,656,974	\$ 63,919,156
Current liabilities Long-term liabilities	\$ 3,404,874 2,360,528	\$ 3,818,108 7,078,441	\$ 3,204,074 1,229,918
Total Liabilities	5,765,402	10,896,549	4,433,992
Deferred inflows of resources	1,225,642	1,592,125	7,701,347
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted Unrestricted	13,626,597 847,862 50,408,959	13,701,823 847,862 42,618,615	12,096,225 847,862 38,839,730
Net position	64,883,418	57,168,300	51,783,817
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position	\$ 71,874,462	\$ 69,656,974	\$ 63,919,156

#### Summary of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

The following table presents a summary of the District's historical revenues and expenses for each of the fiscal years ended October 31, 2024, 2023, and 2022.

TABLE 2
Condensed Statements of Revenue, Expenses, and
Changes in Net Position

	2024	2023	2022
Revenue:			
Net patient service revenue	\$ 23,765,519	\$ 21,893,616	\$ 21,646,990
Medicaid supplemental payments	7,038,013	8,113,232	3,950,121
Other revenues	1,386,634	1,149,268	3,230,466
Total revenue	32,190,166	31,156,116	28,827,577
Expenses:			
Salaries and benefits	15,664,845	16,957,883	12,846,716
Medical supplies and drugs	1,845,369	1,588,500	1,676,257
Insurance	509,392	471,163	486,442
Professional fees	4,500,834	4,104,753	4,105,800
Depreciation	1,300,662	1,331,322	1,303,862
Other expenses	5,276,492	5,268,743	4,827,210
Total expenses	29,097,594	29,722,364	25,246,287
Operating income (loss)	\$ 3,092,572	\$ 1,433,752	\$ 3,581,290

#### Summary of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position (Continued)

### TABLE 2 (Continued) Condensed Statements of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

	2024	2023	2022
Nonoperating income (loss): Interest income and expense, net Sales tax revenue Provider relief funds Non-employer pension contributions Gain (loss) on disposal of assets Payments to Police Jury	\$ 1,113,224 2,965,950 -0- 148,217 (310,104) (412,000)	\$ 839,543 2,861,606 -0- 144,121 84,600 (392,000)	\$ 477,847 2,791,447 848,528 121,956 -0- (392,000)
Nonoperating income, net	3,505,287	3,537,870	3,847,778
Excess of revenues (expenses)	6,597,859	4,971,622	7,429,068
Unrealized investment gains (losses)	1,117,259	412,861	(2,870,744)
Changes in net position	7,715,118	5,384,483	4,558,324
Beginning net position	57,168,300	51,783,817	47,225,493
Ending net position	\$ 64,883,418	\$ 57,168,300	\$ 51,783,817

#### **Sources of Revenue**

#### **Operating Income**

During fiscal year 2024, the District derived the majority of its total revenue from patient service revenue. Patient service revenue includes revenue from the Medicare and Medicaid programs and patients or their third-party payers, who receive care in the Hospital's facilities.

The Hospital became a Critical Access Hospital (CAH) on November 1, 2004. This changed the method of payment for most Medicare charges from prospective payment to cost based reimbursement. Swing bed services for Medicare patients also began in fiscal year 2005. Reimbursement for the Medicare and Medicaid programs and the third-party payers is based upon established contracts. The difference between the covered charges and the established contract is recognized as a contractual allowance.

#### Operating Income (Continued)

Other revenue includes cafeteria sales, rental income, Medicaid managed care incentive payments, physician supplement payments and other miscellaneous services.

Table 3 presents the relative percentages of gross charges billed for patient services by payer for the fiscal years ended October 31, 2024, 2023, and 2022.

### TABLE 3 Payer Mix by Percentage

	2024	<u>2023</u>	2022
Medicare	22%	21%	21%
Medicaid	18%	21%	24%
Blue Cross Blue Shield	12%	14%	15%
Commercial Insurance	44%	42%	37%
Self Pay	4%	3%	3%

#### **Nonoperating Revenues**

Nonoperating revenues typically consist of interest income and sales tax revenue. Nonoperating revenues decreased by \$32,583 during the current year. This decrease is a due to a loss on disposal of assets. With the end of the public health emergency in 2023, government funding to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic has discontinued. The District recognized \$848,528 in Provider Relief Funds during 2022. Investment income totaled approximately \$1,152,000, \$886,000 and \$525,000 in 2024, 2023, and 2022, respectively.

The District holds designated and restricted funds in its Statements of Net Position that are invested primarily in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool and Merrill Lynch. Total investments in fiscal years 2024, 2023 and 2022, respectively, were \$42,437,514, \$36,163,616 and \$31,216,642.

A 1% sales tax was approved for an indefinite term with 50% of the tax dedicated to District operations and the remainder for Hospital operations. In 2016, a ½% sales tax with a ten-year term was approved.

#### **Operating and Financial Performance**

The following summarizes the Hospital's statistical data for the years ended October 31, 2024, 2023, and 2022.

TABLE 4
Hospital Statistical Data

	<u>2024</u>	2023	2022
Discharges:			
Acute care	81	73	92
Swing bed	76	63	73
Patient days:			
Acute care	341	397	371
Swing bed	820	660	840
Average daily census:			
Acute care	0.9	1.1	1.0
Swing bed	2.2	1.8	2.3
Average length of stay:			
Acute care	4.2	5.4	4.0
Swing bed	10.8	10.5	11.5

Overall activity at the Hospital, as measured by patient discharges, increased by 21 during fiscal year 2024, compared to a decrease of 29 and 32 during fiscal year 2023 and 2022, respectively. Patient days increased by 104 in 2024, compared to a decrease of 154 in 2023 and a decrease of 229 in 2022.

In 2024, total net patient service revenue increased by 8.55% or \$1,871,903. Total net patient service revenue increased by 1.14% or \$246,626 in fiscal year 2023 and increased by 11.62% or \$2,253,355 in fiscal year 2022.

Average days in net accounts receivable decreased to 33.73 in 2024 compared to 36.25 days in 2023 and 37.8 days in 2022. The Hospital continues to exert every effort to assist patients in finding funding sources for health care.

The provision for bad debts increased by \$699,298 in 2024 and \$233,582 in 2023, compared to a decrease of \$303,885 in 2022.

Salaries increased in 2024, 2023 and 2022, respectively, by \$657,661, \$383,217, and \$892,570. Benefits decreased by \$1,950,699 in 2024, compared to an increase of \$3,727,950 in 2023, and decrease by \$1,144,949 in 2022. Benefits fluctuate primarily due to recognition of non-cash pension expense in accordance with GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27.

Medical professional fees increased by \$396,081 in 2024, compared to a decrease of \$1,047 in 2023, and increase of \$417,449 in 2022.

The cost of medical supplies increased by \$256,869 in 2024, compared to a decrease of \$87,757 in 2023, and an increase of \$201,326 in 2022.

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#### **Land & Depreciable Assets**

At the end of 2024, the District had \$14.8 million invested in land, depreciable assets, right-of-use lease assets and subscription assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization, as detailed in note 7 and note 8 to the financial statements. In 2024, the District invested approximately \$1.5 million in depreciable assets and construction costs compared to approximately \$2.8 million in 2023. Net capital assets increased by \$2,327,059 in 2024. Net capital assets decreased by \$499,826 and \$893,868 in 2023 and 2022, respectively. The District implemented GASB Statement No. 96, Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements, on November 1, 2022. The District recognized \$0, \$165,705, and \$163,479 of subscription assets in 2024, 2023, and 2022, respectively.

### TABLE 5 Capital Assets

	October 31, 2024	October 31, 2023	October 31, 2022
Land Construction in progress	\$ 1,875,398 	\$ 1,885,398 2,391,400	\$ 1,974,398 203,563
Total nondepreciable capital assets	\$ 1,875,398	\$ 4,276,798	\$ 2,177,961
Land improvements Buildings & improvements Equipment	\$ 163,850 26,095,214 9,002,431	\$ 215,001 23,602,417 8,916,692	\$ 215,001 23,271,808 8,644,445
Total depreciable capital assets Less: accumulated depreciation	35,261,495 22,613,623	32,734,110 22,413,297	32,131,254 21,310,615
Total depreciable capital assets, net	\$ 12,647,872	\$ 10,320,813	\$ 10,820,639
Right-of-use assets, equipment Less: accumulated amortization	\$ 621,982 479,987	\$ 637,649 370,362	\$ 689,726 280,099
Total right-of-use capital assets, net	\$ 141,995	\$ 267,287	\$ 409,627
Subscription assets Less: accumulated amortization	\$ 329,184 229,858	\$ 329,184 135,124	\$ 163,479 46,465
Total subscription assets, net	\$ 99,326	\$ 194,060	\$ 117,014

#### **Long-Term Debt**

As of October 31, 2024, the District had \$874,560 in short-term and long-term debt. Long-term debt increased by \$679 in fiscal year 2024. Total debt outstanding represents approximately 1.29% of the District's total assets as of October 31, 2024, versus prior years of 1.41% and 1.42% for 2023 and 2022, respectively.

#### **Contacting the Hospital Service District's Financial Manager**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, customers and creditors with a general overview of the Hospital Service District's finances and to demonstrate the accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Hospital Administration.



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners Hospital Service District No. 1 Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana New Roads, Louisiana

#### Report on the Financial Statements

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying combined financial statements of the Hospital Service District No. 1, Parish of Pointe Coupee, (the "District"), a component unit of the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury, New Roads, Louisiana, as of and for the years ended October 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's combined financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the District, as of October 31, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We did not audit the financial statements of Maison Pointe Coupee Apartments, which statements reflect total assets of \$1,413,398 and \$1,467,351 as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, and total revenues of \$299,084 and \$286,586, respectively, for the years then ended. Those statements were audited by other auditors, whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for Maison Pointe Coupee Apartments, is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

#### Basis for Opinion

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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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#### Responsibilities of Management 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, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

#### Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud
  or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include
  examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that
  raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period
  of time.



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We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1, the combined financial statements present only the financial information of Pointe Coupee Hospital Service District No. 1 and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury as of October 31, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its financial position, or its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages i through viii, Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability on page 41, and Schedule of Employer Contributions to Pension Plan on page 43 be presented to supplement the combined financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the combined financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the combined 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 combined financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the combined 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.

#### Supplementary Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplementary information listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the combined financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the combined financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the combined financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the combined financial statements or to the combined financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the combined financial statements as a whole.



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#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 28, 2025, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely 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 the effectiveness of the District's 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 District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Certified Public Accountants Alexandria, Louisiana

April 28, 2025



## Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Combined Statements of Net Position October 31,

<u>ASSETS</u>	2024	<u>2023</u>
Current Cash and cash equivalents (Notes 2 & 3) Patient accounts receivable, net of estimated uncollectibles (Note 6) Estimated third-party payor settlements Other receivables Inventory Prepaid expenses Current portion of lease receivable	\$ 1,900,278 2,196,111 1,323,445 3,004,979 557,498 168,026 307,960	\$ 3,647,544 2,174,085 1,417,756 1,273,848 684,188 155,726 314,189
Total Current Assets	9,458,297	9,667,336
Assets limited as to use (Note 4)	7,735,937	7,353,356
Nondepreciable capital assets (Note 7)	1,875,398	4,276,798
Depreciable capital assets, net (Note 7)	12,647,872	10,320,813
Right-of-use capital assets, net (Note 7)	141,995	267,287
Subscription assets, net (Note 8)	99,326	194,060
Other assets Investments Lease receivable	35,662,333 266,020	29,292,870 573,980
Total Assets	67,887,178	61,946,500
Deferred outflows related to net pension liability	3,987,284	7,710,474
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 71,874,462	\$ 69,656,974

# Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Combined Statements of Net Position (Continued) October 31,

LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	<u>2024</u>	2023
Current Accounts payable	\$ 755,169	\$ 1,114,049
Accrued expenses and withholdings payable (Note 9)	1,373,699	1,696,272
Estimated third-party payor settlements	1,071,471	776,253
Current portion of lease liability (Note 11)	113,410	130,691
Current portion of subscription liability (Note 12)	73,622	89,129
Current portion of long-term debt (Note 10)	17,503	11,714
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Total Current Liabilities	3,404,874	3,818,108
Long-term		
Net pension liability (Note 14)	1,427,069	5,952,840
Lease liability (Note 11)	40,973	154,383
Subscription liability (Note 12)	35,429	109,051
Long-term debt (Note 10)	857,057	862,167
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Total Liabilities	5,765,402	10,896,549
Deferred inflows related to net pension liability	697,831	762,637
Deferred inflows related to lease receivable	527,811	829,488
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Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	1,225,642	1,592,125
Net Position		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	13,626,597	13,701,823
Restricted - Donor capital	847,862	847,862
Unrestricted	50,408,959	42,618,615
Total Net Position	64,883,418	57,168,300
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Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources,		
and Net Position	\$ 71,874,462	\$ 69,656,974

## Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Combined Statements of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position Years Ended October 31,

Revenue		2024		2023
Net patient service revenue (Note 16)	\$	23,765,519	\$	21,893,616
Medicaid supplemental payments	Ψ	7,038,013	Ψ	8,113,232
Intergovernmental transfer grant (Note 17)		-0-		40,436
Grants		17,778		11,988
Other operating revenue		1,368,856		1,096,844
Total Revenue		32,190,166		31,156,116
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Expenses Salaries and benefits		15,664,845		16,957,883
		1,845,369		1,588,500
Medical supplies and drugs Insurance		509,392		471,163
Professional fees		4,500,834		4,104,753
Depreciation and amortization		1,300,662		1,331,322
Other expenses		5,276,492		5,268,743
Total Expenses		29,097,594		29,722,364
Total Expenses		29,097,394		29,722,304
Operating Income (Loss)		3,092,572		1,433,752
Nonoperating Income (Loss)				
Investment income		1,152,476		886,656
Interest expense		(39,252)		(47,113)
Sales tax revenue		2,965,950		2,861,606
Non-employer pension contributions		148,217		144,121
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets		(310,104)		84,600
Payments to Police Jury		(412,000)		(392,000)
Nonoperating Income (Loss), net		3,505,287		3,537,870
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Excess of Revenue (Expenses)		6,597,859		4,971,622
Other Comprehensive Income				
Unrealized investment gains (losses)		1,117,259		412,861
Changes in net position		7,715,118		5,384,483
Beginning Net Position		57,168,300		51,783,817
Ending Net Position	\$	64,883,418	\$	57,168,300

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

## Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Combined Statements of Cash Flows Years Ended October 31,

Cash flows from operating activities:	2024	2023
Cash receipts from patients and		
third-party payors	\$ 24,133,022	\$ 23,263,944
Cash receipts from other operating revenues  Cash payments to employees and for	6,706,028	9,043,148
employee-related cost	(16,706,587)	(15,726,591)
Cash payments for other operating expenses	(12,686,682)	(10,940,085)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	1,445,781	5,640,416
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Other investment income	1,152,476	886,656
Assets limited as to use	(382,581)	(319,105)
Unrestricted investments	(5,252,204)	(4,030,880)
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	_(4,482,309)	(3,463,329)
Cash flows from non-capital financing activities:		
Proceeds from sales tax	2,965,950	2,861,606
Payments to Police Jury	(412,000)	(392,000)
Net cash provided (used) by non-capital		
financing activities	2,553,950	2,469,606
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:		
Purchases of property, plant, and equipment	(1,130,986)	(2,788,334)
Proceeds from the sale of property	139,564	89,000
Principal payments on lease liability	(130,691)	(142,279)
Principal payments on subscription liability	(89,129)	(84,369)
Principal payments on long-term debt	(14,194)	(10,938)
Interest expense	(39,252)	(47,113)
Net cash provided (used) by capital and		
related financing activities	\$ (1,264,688)	\$ _(2,984,033)

## Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Combined Statements of Cash Flows (Continued) Years Ended October 31,

	<u>2024</u>		2023
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$ (1,747,266)	\$	1,662,660
Beginning cash and cash equivalents	3,647,544		1,984,884
Ending cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,900,278	\$	3,647,544
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information: Cash paid during the year for interest Subscription assets acquired under agreements	\$ (39,252)	\$ \$	(47,113) 165,705
Reconciliation of income from operations to net cash provided by operating activities:  Operating income (loss)  Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$ 3,092,572	\$	1,433,752
Depreciation and amortization Gain (loss) on sale of property Amortization of lease income	1,300,662 (310,104) (301,677)		1,331,322 84,600 (301,677)
Increase (decrease) in: Patient accounts receivable, net Estimated third-party payor settlements Other receivables Inventory Prepaid expenses Lease receivable	(22,026) 94,311 (1,731,131) 126,690 (12,300) 314,189		65,985 1,076,841 (215,415) (20,643) 4,048 297,740
Increase (decrease) in: Accounts payable Accrued expenses and withholdings payable Estimated third-party payor settlements Pension liability (asset)	(358,880) (322,573) 295,218 (719,170)		425,070 (70,974) 227,502 1,302,265
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ 1,445,781	\$	5,640,416

#### NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

#### Legal Organization

Pointe Coupee Hospital Service District No. 1 (referred to herein as "Pointe Coupee General Hospital" or the "District") was created by an ordinance of the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury on June 5, 1979. The District's area includes all of Pointe Coupee Parish, Louisiana.

The District is a political subdivision of the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury whose jurors are elected officials. The District's nine commissioners are appointed by the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury. As the governing authority of the Parish, for reporting purposes, the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury is the financial reporting entity for the District. Accordingly, the District was determined to be a component unit of the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury based on Statement No. 14 of the National Committee on Governmental Accounting. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the District and do not present information on the police jury, the general governmental services provided by that governmental unit or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

An affiliate, Hospital Service District No. 1 of Pointe Coupee, Louisiana, Inc. (dba Maison Pointe Coupee Apartments) was incorporated as a Louisiana nonprofit corporation on July 21, 1999. On November 1, 2004, Pointe Coupee Homebound Health and Hospice (PCHHH) was transferred from the Hospital enterprise fund and became a separate enterprise fund of the District.

#### **Nature of Business**

The District provides outpatient, emergency, inpatient acute hospital services, skilled nursing (through "swingbeds"), as well as home health care and hospice services. It also provides services to the parish ambulance service, health unit, mental health unit, substance abuse unit and the Council on Aging. Its affiliate began providing elderly housing to local residents on April 5, 2002. On November 1, 2004, the Hospital converted to a 25 bed critical access hospital (CAH).

#### Principles of Combination

The accompanying combined financial statements include the accounts of the Hospital Service District No. 1, Parish of Pointe Coupee as well as Maison Pointe Coupee Apartments. A separate enterprise fund was created November 1, 2004 for Pointe Coupee Homebound Health and Hospice. The District has control of its affiliate through common board members. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Enterprise Fund**

Enterprise funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises – where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The District uses the enterprise fund accounting. Revenues and expenses are recognized on the accrual basis using the economic measurement focus.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist primarily of deposits in checking and money market accounts and certificates of deposit with original maturities of 90 days or less. Certificates of deposit with original maturities over 90 days are classified as short-term investments. Cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments are stated at cost, which approximates market value. The caption "cash and cash equivalents" does not include amounts whose use is limited or temporary cash investments.

#### **Income Taxes**

The entity is a political subdivision and exempt from taxation.

#### Credit Risk

The District provides medical care primarily to Pointe Coupee Parish residents and grants credit to patients, substantially all of whom are local residents.

The District's estimate of collectibility is based on an evaluation of historical collections compared to gross revenues and an analysis of aged accounts receivable to establish an allowance for uncollectible accounts.

#### Significant Concentration of Economic Dependence

The District has an economic dependence on a small number of staff physicians who admit over 90% of the District's patients. The District also has an economic dependence on Medicare and Medicaid as sources of payments as shown in the table in Note 16. Accordingly, changes in federal or state legislation or interpretations of rules have a significant impact on the District.

#### Net Patient Service Revenue

The District has entered into agreements with third-party payors, including government programs, health insurance companies, and managed care health plans, under which the Hospital is paid based upon established charges, the cost of providing services, predetermined rates per diagnosis, fixed per diem rates, or discounts from established charges.

Revenues are recorded at estimated amounts due from patients and third-party payors for the Hospital services provided. Settlements under reimbursement agreements with third-party payors are estimated and recorded in the period the related services are rendered and are adjusted in future periods as final settlements are determined.

#### Inventory

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost determined by the first-in, first-out method, or net realizable value.

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Investments

The District classifies its investments as available-for-sale in response to changes in interest rates, liquidity needs and for other purposes. Available-for-sale securities are reported at fair value. Unrealized holding gains and loses are reported as other comprehensive income.

#### Capital Assets

Capital assets are recorded at cost for purchased assets or at fair market value on the date of any donation. The District uses straight-line method of determining depreciation for financial reporting and third-party reimbursement. The following estimated useful lives are generally used.

Buildings and Improvements 25 to 40 years Machinery and Equipment 5 to 20 years Furniture and Fixtures 5 to 15 years

Expenditures for additions, major renewals, and betterments are capitalized and expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to operations as incurred.

The cost of assets retired or otherwise disposed of and related accumulated depreciation are eliminated from the accounts in the year of disposal. Gains or losses resulting from property disposals are credited or charged to operations currently.

#### Subscription Assets and Liabilities

The District determines if an arrangement is a Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangement ("SBITA") at inception. Subscription assets, net, current maturities of subscription liabilities, and subscription liabilities, net of current maturities are included in the statements of net position.

Subscription assets represent the District's control of the right to use a subscription-based information technology for the arrangement term, as specified in the contract, in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. Subscription assets are recognized at the commencement date based on initial measurement of the subscription liability, adjusted for payments made to the vendor at or before the commencement of the SBITA term and certain initial direct costs. Subscription assets are amortized in a systematic and rational manner over the shorter of the arrangement term or the useful life of the underlying asset.

Subscription liabilities represent the District's obligation to make payments arising from the SBITA. Subscription liabilities are initially recognized at the commencement date based on the present value of expected payments over the lease term, adjusted for SBITA incentives. Subsequently, the subscription liability is reduced by the principal portion of the payments made. Interest expense is recognized ratably over the term of the arrangement.

The District has elected to recognize payments for short-term SBITAs with an arrangement term of 12 months or less as expenses as incurred, and these SBITAs are not included as subscription liabilities or right-to-use subscription assets on the statements of net position.

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The individual SBITA contracts do not provide information about the discount rate implicit in the arrangement. Therefore, the District has elected to use its incremental borrowing rate to calculate the present value of expected lease payments.

#### **Net Position**

The District classifies net position into three components: invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted and unrestricted. Invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the current balances of any outstanding borrowings used to finance the purchase or construction of those assets. Restricted consists of assets that have constraints that are externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Unrestricted are remaining net assets 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 for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### Revenue and Expenses

The District's statements of revenue, expenses, and changes in net assets distinguish between operating and nonoperating revenue and expenses. Operating revenues result from exchange transactions associated with providing health care services – the District's principal activity. Nonexchange revenues are reported as nonoperating revenues. Nonoperating revenue also includes sales taxes passed to provide the District with revenue to operate and maintain the District. Operating expenses are all expenses incurred to provide health care services, other than financing costs.

#### Patient Accounts Receivable

Patient accounts receivable are carried at a net amount determined by the original charges for the services provided, less an estimate made for contractual adjustments or discounts provided to the third-party payors, less any payments received and less an estimated allowance for doubtful accounts. Management determines that allowance for doubtful accounts by utilizing a historical experience applied to an aging of accounts. Patient accounts receivable are written off as bad debt expense when deemed uncollectible. Recoveries of receivables previously written off as bad debt expense are recorded as a reduction of bad debt expense when received.

#### **Grants and Contributions**

From time to time, the District receives grants and contributions from the State of Louisiana, individuals or private and public organizations. Revenues from grants and contributions (including contributions of capital assets) are recognized when all eligibility requirements, including time requirements are met. Grants and contributions may be restricted for either specific operating purposes or for capital purposes. Amounts that are unrestricted or that are restricted to a specific operating purpose are reported as operating revenues. Amounts restricted to capital acquisitions are reported after nonoperating revenues and expenses.

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Restricted Resources

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Reclassifications

Certain amounts in the prior year financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current year classifications.

#### **Charity Care**

The District provides care to patients who meet certain criteria under its charity care policy without charge or at amounts less than its established rates. Because the District does not pursue collection of amounts determined to qualify as charity care, they are not reported as revenue.

#### Risk Management

The District 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; medical malpractice; and employee health, dental, and accident benefits. Commercial insurance coverage is purchased for claims arising from such matters. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the three preceding years.

#### Advertising

The District expenses advertising cost as incurred. Advertising expense for the years ended October 31, 2024 and 2023 totaled \$58,512 and \$80,816, respectively.

#### **Environmental Matters**

The District is subject to laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment. The District's policy is to accrue environmental and cleanup related costs of a non-capital nature when it is both probable that a liability has been incurred and when the amount can be reasonably estimated. Although it is not possible to quantify with any degree of certainty, the potential financial impact of the District's continuing compliance efforts, management believes any future remediation or other compliance related costs will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition or reported results of operations of the District. At October 31, 2024 and 2023, management is not aware of any liability resulting from environmental matters.

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflow of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an expense item until then. The District has one item that meets this criterion, deferrals of pension expense. In addition to liabilities, the statements of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflow of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as revenue until then. The District has two items that meet the criterion for this category, deferrals of pension expense and deferrals of lease revenue.

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (PERS) and additions to/deductions from PERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value within each plan.

#### Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2022, GASB issued Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. This Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for compensating absences. This Statement requires that liabilities for compensated absences be recognized for (1) leave that has not been used and (2) leave that has been used but not yet paid in cash or settled through noncash means. The Standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023. Management is evaluating the potential impact of adoption on the District's financial statements

#### NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Louisiana state statutes authorize the District to invest in direct obligations of the U.S. Treasury and other federal agencies, time deposits with state banks and national banks having their principal office in the State of Louisiana, guaranteed investment contracts issued by highly rated financial institutions, and certain investments with qualifying mutual or trust institutions. Louisiana statutes also require that all of the deposits of the District be protected by insurance or collateral. The market value of collateral pledged must equal or exceed 100% of the deposits not covered by insurance.

<u>Custodial Credit Risks</u> – Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. Louisiana state statutes require that all of the deposits of the District be protected by insurance or collateral. The fair value of the collateral pledged must equal 100% of the deposits not covered by insurance. The District's deposits were entirely insured or entirely collateralized by securities held by the pledging bank's trust department in the District's name at October 31, 2024 and 2023.

<u>Interest Rate Risks</u> – Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value is to changes in market interest rates. The Hospital does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from changing interest rates.

<u>Concentration of Credit Risks</u> – The District has 36.07% in Federal Farm Credit Bank, 17.59% in Federal National Mortgage Association, and 7.89% in U.S. Treasury Strips.

The carrying amounts of deposits and investments are included in the Hospital's balance sheets as follows:

	2024	2023
Carrying amount Deposits Investments	\$ 9,636,215 35,662,333	\$ 11,000,900 29,292,870
	\$ 45,298,548	\$ 40,293,770
Included in the following balance sheet captions		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,900,278	\$ 3,647,544
Assets whose use is limited	7,735,937	7,353,356
Investments	35,662,333	29,292,870
	\$ 45,298,548	\$ 40,293,770

#### NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Account balances according to banks' records at October 31, 2024, for the Hospital are as follows:

	Regions Bank Merrill Lynch					First Guaranty
Cash in bank	\$	1,939,270	\$	491,815	\$	1,500
Insured by FDIC	\$	351,036	\$	491,815	\$	1,500
Collateralization by fair market value	\$	1,588,234	\$	-0-	\$	-0-
Uncollateralized	\$	-0-	\$	-0-	\$	0-

The District has 36.73% of its investments invested in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Inc. (LAMP), which is a local government investment pool established as a cooperative effort to enable public entities of the State of Louisiana to aggregate funds for investment. LAMP is administered by LAMP, Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana and is subject to the regulatory oversight of the state treasurer and the board of directors. LAMP is not registered with the SEC as an investment company.

Only local government entities having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets. The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short-term, high quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in accordance with LA – R.S. 33:2955.

LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give participants immediate access to their account balances. LAMP prepares its own interest rate risk disclosure using the weighted average maturity (WAM) method. The WAM of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days, and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days or 762 days for U.S. Government floating/variable rate investments. Investments in LAMP are stated at fair value. The fair value is determined on a weekly basis by LAMP and the value of the position in the external investment pool is the same as the net asset value of pool shares.

#### NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

At October 31, 2024 and 2023, the District had the following investments and maturities, all of which were held in the District's name by a custodial bank that is an agent of the District.

October 31, 2024	Investment Maturities (In Years)									
Investment Type		Carrying <u>Amount</u>		Less <u>Than 1</u>		<u>1 - 5</u>		<u>6 - 10</u>		More <u>Than 10</u>
Money Market LAMP Federal National Mortgage	\$	-0- 15,769,047	\$	-0- 15,769,047	\$	-0- -0-	\$	-0- -0-	\$	-0- -0-
Association Federal Home Loan Bank Federal Home Loan Mortgage		7,552,734 245,076 -0-		-0- -0- -0-		7,552,734 245,076 -0-		-0- -0- -0-		-0- -0- -0-
Federal Farm Credit Bank U.S. Treasury Strips		15,484,870 3,385,787		9,434,761		6,050,109 2,100,321		-0- 1,285,466		-0- -0-
Total	\$	42,437,514	\$	25,203,808	\$	15,948,240	\$	1,285,466	\$	-0-
October 31, 2023					1	Investment Ma	aturi	ties (In Years)		
Investment Type		Carrying <u>Amount</u>		Less <u>Than 1</u>		<u>1 - 5</u>		<u>6 - 10</u>		More <u>Than 10</u>
Money Market LAMP Federal National Mortgage	\$	-0- 10,567,338	\$	-0- 10,567,338	\$	-0- -0-	\$	-0- -0-	\$	-0- -0-
Association Federal Home Loan Bank		7,077,204 2,234,729		893,686 1,993,240		6,183,518 241,489		-0- -0-		-0- -0-
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Federal Farm Credit Bank		368,901 15,915,444		-0- 1,221,331		368,901 14,694,113		-0- -0-		-0- -0-
Total	\$	36,163,616	\$	14,675,595	\$	21,488,021	\$	-0-	\$	-0-

The District's investments are recorded at fair value as of October 31, 2024 and 2023 in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72, which defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. This Statement establishes a three-level hierarchy of inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. Level 1 inputs are accessible quoted prices in active markets for identical assets at the measurement date; Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for an asset, either directly or indirectly; Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs. The fair value of U. S. Treasury Strips was determined using Level 1 inputs. The fair value of municipal and government bonds was determined using Level 2 inputs.

#### NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

As of October 31, 2024, the District's investments were rated as follows:

Investment Type	Moody's	S&P
LAMP	Not Rated	AAAm
Federal National Mortgage Association	AAA	AA+
Federal Home Loan Bank	AAA	AA+
Federal Home Loan Mortgage	AAA	AA+
Federal Farm Credit Bank	AAA	AA+
U.S. Treasury Strips	Not Rated	Not Rated

#### NOTE 4 - ASSETS LIMITED AS TO USE

Assets limited as to use are summarized below. Investments are stated at cost that approximates market value.

	2024	2023
Limited by board for capital improvements	\$ 6,765,054	\$ 6,418,476
Limited by board for third-party payor contingencies	572,366	543,043
Limited by board for tenant deposits	9,475	9,092
Limited by USDA for elderly housing project	389,042	382,745
Total	\$ 7,735,937	\$ 7,353,356

#### NOTE 5 - LEASE RECEIVABLE

The District has entered into multiple agreements to lease medical office space to local healthcare providers. Monthly lease payments under these agreements range from \$1,775 to \$22,810, with terms ending between October 2025 and December 2032. For the years ended October 31, 2024 and 2023, the District recognized lease revenue of \$314,189 and \$297,740, respectively, and interest income related to the leases in the amounts of \$24,221 and \$34,141, respectively.

#### NOTE 6 - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

A summary of patient accounts receivable is presented below.

	2024		2023
Hospital patient receivables Home Health patient receivables Hospice patient receivables	\$ 3,021,485 343,533 198,186	\$ -	2,845,262 337,358 157,137
Estimated uncollectibles	3,563,204 (1,367,093)	_	3,339,757 (1,165,672)
Net patient accounts receivable	\$ 2,196,111	\$ _	2,174,085

The following is a summary of the mix of receivables from patients and third-party payors at October 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Medicare Medicaid	22% 8%	23% 10%
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Louisiana	4%	5%
Commercial and other third-party payors Patients	21% <u>45%</u>	21% <u>41%</u>
Total	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>

The Medicare, Medicaid and third-party payors are shown net of contractual allowances.

#### NOTE 7 - CAPITAL ASSETS

The following is a summary of capital assets and related accumulated depreciation and amortization at October 31:

	2023		_Additions		Deductions	Transfers	2024	
Nondepreciable capital assets Land Construction in progress Total nondepreciable	\$ 1,885,398 2,391,400	\$	-0- 1,011,280	\$	10,000	\$ -0- _(3,402,680)	\$ 1,875,398 -0-	
capital assets	\$ 4,276,798	\$	1,011,280	\$	10,000	\$ (3,402,680)	\$ 1,875,398	
Depreciable capital assets								
Land improvements Buildings & improvements Equipment Total depreciable	\$ 215,001 23,602,417 8,916,692	\$	-0- 342,651 102,918	\$	51,151 1,252,534 17,179	\$ 3,402,680 -0-	\$ 163,850 26,095,214 9,002,431	
capital assets	32,734,110		445,569		1,320,864	3,402,680	35,261,495	
Accumulated depreciation  Total depreciable	22,413,297		1,080,636		880,310	-0-	22,613,623	
capital assets, net	\$ 10,320,813	\$	(635,067)	\$	440,554	\$ 3,402,680	\$ 12,647,872	
Right-of-use capital assets								
Equipment	\$ 637,649	\$	-0-	\$	15,667	\$ -0-	\$ 621,982	
Accumulated amortization Total right-of-use	370,362		125,292		15,667		479,987	
capital assets, net	\$ 267,287	\$	(125,292)	\$		\$ 	\$ 141,995	

#### NOTE 7 - CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

	2022		Additions		Deductions		Transfers		2023	
Nondepreciable capital assets Land Construction in progress Total nondepreciable	\$ 1,974,398 203,563	\$	-0- 	\$	89,000 <u>-0-</u>	\$	-0- (210,409)	\$	1,885,398 2,391,400	
capital assets	\$ 2,177,961	\$	2,398,246	\$	89,000	\$	(210,409)	\$	4,276,798	
Depreciable capital assets										
Land improvements Buildings & improvements Equipment Total depreciable	\$ 215,001 23,271,808 8,644,445	\$	-0- 120,200 272,867	\$	-0- -0- 620	\$	210,409 -0-	\$	215,001 23,602,417 8,916,692	
capital assets Accumulated depreciation Total depreciable	32,131,254 21,310,615		393,067 1,102,682		620 		210,409		32,734,110 22,413,297	
capital assets, net	\$ 10,820,639	\$	(709,615)	\$	620	\$	210,409	\$	10,320,813	
Right-of-use capital assets										
Equipment Accumulated amortization Total right-of-use	\$ 689,726 280,099	\$	-0- 142,340	\$	52,077 52,077	\$	-0- -0-	\$	637,649 370,362	
capital assets, net	\$ 409,627	\$	(142,340)	\$	-0-	\$	-0-	\$	267,287	

#### NOTE 8 - SUBSCRIPTION ASSETS

The following is a summary of subscription-based information technology arrangement for intangible assets and related accumulated amortization for the year ended:

	2023	Additions	Deductions	Transfers	<u>2024</u>
Subscription-based assets Accumulated amortization Total subscription-based	\$ 329,184 135,124	\$ -0- 94,734	\$ -0- -0-	\$ -0- -0-	\$ 329,184 229,858
assets, net	\$ 194,060	\$ (94,734)	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 99,326
	2022	Additions	Deductions	Transfers	2023
Subscription-based assets Accumulated amortization Total subscription-based	\$ 163,479 46,465	\$ 165,705 88,659	\$ -0- -0-	\$ -0- -0-	\$ 329,184 135,124
assets, net	\$ 117,014	\$ 77,046	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 194,060

#### NOTE 9 - ACCRUED EXPENSES AND WITHHOLDINGS PAYABLE

A summary of accrued expenses follows:

	<u>2024</u>		<u>2023</u>
Salaries and wages	\$ 177,050	\$	590,034
Compensated absences	944,379		895,611
Payroll taxes and withholdings	241,598		200,271
Other accrued expenses	10,672	,	10,356
Total accrued expenses	\$ 1,373,699	\$	1,696,272

#### NOTE 10 - LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of the changes in long-term debt as of October 31:

	2023	Additions	<u>Payments</u>	2024	Due Within One Year	
USDA note payable Note payable	\$ 873,881 	\$ -0- 14,873	\$ 11,715 2,479	\$	862,166 12,394	\$ 12,545 4,958
Total	\$ 873,881	\$ 14,873	\$ 14,194	\$	874,560	\$ 17,503
	2022	Additions	<u>Payments</u>		2023	Due Within One Year
USDA note payable	\$ 884,819	\$ 	\$ 10,938	\$	873,881	\$ 11,714
Total	\$ 884,819	\$ -0-	\$ 10,938	\$	873,881	\$ 11,714

The following are the terms and due dates of the District's long-term debt at October 31, 2024:

- USDA note payable at 6.875% with a term of 50 years, due in monthly installments of \$5,952 maturing in the year 2050. The loan is collateralized by two parcels of land owned by the District.
- Note payable for equipment at an imputed interest rate of 7.00% with a term of 3 years, due in monthly installments of \$413 maturing in the year 2027.

Scheduled principal and interest payments on long-term debt obligations are as follows:

October 31,	<u>Principal</u>	Interest			<u>Total</u>		
2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030-2034 2035-2039 2040-2044 2045-2049	\$ 17,502 18,393 16,868 15,410 16,504 101,837 143,473 202,130 284,768	\$	59,542 58,340 57,090 56,019 54,925 255,308 213,672 155,015 72,377	\$	77,044 76,733 73,958 71,429 71,429 357,145 357,145 357,145		
2050-	57,675		1,832		59,507		
Totals	\$ 874,560	\$	984,120	\$	1,858,680		

#### NOTE 11 - LEASE LIABILITY

The following is a summary of the changes in lease liability obligations as of October 31:

	October 31, 2023	Additions	<u>Payments</u>	October 31, 2024	Due Within One Year
Equipment	\$ 285,074	\$ 	\$ 130,691	\$ 154,383	\$ 113,410
Total	\$ 285,074	\$ -0-	\$ 130,691	\$ 154,383	\$ 113,410
	October 31, 2022	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Payments</u>	October 31, 2023	Due Within One Year
Equipment	\$ 427,353	\$ 	\$ 142,279	\$ 285,074	\$ 130,691
Total	\$ 427,353	\$ 	\$ 142,279	\$ 285,074	\$ 130,691

The following are the terms and due dates of the District's lease obligations:

• Various lease liability obligation for equipment at imputed interest rates ranging from 3.00% to 5.25% with total monthly payments ranging from \$128 to \$10,123 through September 30, 2034.

Scheduled principal and interest payments on lease liability obligations are as follows:

October 31,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030-2034	\$ 113,410 10,572 4,278 3,217 3,390 19,516	\$ 4,616 1,750 1,468 1,295 1,122 2,669	\$ 118,026 12,322 5,746 4,512 4,512 22,185
Totals	\$ 154,383	\$ 12,920	\$ 167,303

#### NOTE 12 - SUBSCRIPTION LIABILITY

The following is a summary of the changes in subscription liabilities as of October 31:

		2023	Additions	Payments	2024	Due Within One Year
Totals	\$	198,180	\$ -0-	\$ 89,129	\$ 109,051	\$ 73,622
	ž.	2022	Additions	Payments	2023	Due Within One Year
Totals	\$	116,844	\$ 165,705	\$ 84,369	\$ 198,180	\$ 89,129

Scheduled principal and interest payments on subscription liabilities are as follows:

October 31,	Principal	Interest	Total		
2025	\$ 73,622	\$ 6,906	\$ 80,528		
2026	24,877	2,265	27,142		
2027	10,552	1,055	11,607		
2028	-0-	-0-	-0-		
2029	-0-	-0-			
Totals	\$ 109,051	\$ 10,226	\$ 119,277		

#### NOTE 13 - COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Upon completion of six months of employment, employees are eligible for paid time off (PTO). The amount in which each employee is entitled varies depending upon the job classification, length of service, number of hours worked each week, and other factors. A maximum of 400 hours may be carried over from year to year. Any excess must be paid or used by September 30, of a subsequent year. Vested PTO time has been recorded as a liability in the accompanying financial statements at the payroll rates in effect at the balance sheet date.

#### **NOTE 14 - PENSION PLAN**

<u>Plan Description</u> - Substantially all Hospital employees are eligible for participation in the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (the "Plan"), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by a board of trustees and established by Act 205 of the 1952 regular session of the Louisiana Legislature. The Plan is governed by Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 11, Sections 1901 through 2025,

## NOTE 14 - PENSION PLAN (Continued)

specifically, and other general laws of the State of Louisiana. Act 765 of the year 1979, established by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, revised the System to create Plan A and Plan B to replace the "regular plan" and the "supplemental plan". Plan A was designated for employers out of Social Security. Plan B was designated for those employers that remained in Social Security on the revision date. The District participates in Plan A.

The Plan provides retirement benefits to employees of taxing districts of a parish or any branch or section of a parish within the state of Louisiana which does not have their own retirement system and which elects to become a member of the system. All permanent parish government employees (except those employed by Orleans, Lafourche and East Baton Rouge Parishes) who work at least 28 hours a week shall become members on the date of employment. New employees meeting the age and Social Security criteria have up to 90 days from the date of hire to elect to participate. As of January 1997, elected officials, except coroners, justices of the peace, and parish presidents may no longer join the Plan.

The Plan issues a publicly available financial statement report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained at www.PERSLA.org or by writing to the board of trustees at 7905 Wrenwood Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809, or by calling (225) 928-1361.

Retirement Benefits - Any member of Plan A can retire providing he/she meets one of the following criteria:

For employees hired prior to January 1, 2007:

- 1. Any age with thirty (30) or more years of creditable service.
- 2. Age 55 with twenty-five (25) years of creditable service.
- 3. Age 60 with a minimum of ten (10) years of creditable service.
- 4. Age 65 with a minimum of seven (7) years of creditable service.

For employees hired after January 1, 2007:

- 1. Age 55 with 30 years of service.
- 2. Age 62 with 10 years of service.
- 3. Age 67 with 7 years of service.

Generally, retirement benefits are determined as an amount equal to three percent of the member's final average compensation multiplied by his/her years of creditable service. However, under certain conditions, as outlined in the statutes, the benefits are limited to specified amounts.

<u>Disability Benefits</u> - For Plan A, a member shall be eligible to retire and receive a disability benefit if they were hired prior to January 1, 2007, and has at least five years of creditable service or if hired after January 1, 2007, has seven years of creditable service, and is not eligible for normal retirement and has been officially certified as disabled by the State Medical Disability Board. Upon retirement caused by disability, a member of Plan A shall be paid a disability benefit equal to the lesser of an amount equal to three percent of the member's final average compensation multiplied by his years of service, not to be less than fifteen, or three percent multiplied by years of service assuming continued service to age sixty.

## NOTE 14 - PENSION PLAN (Continued)

<u>Survivor Benefits</u> - Upon the death of any member of Plan A with five (5) or more years of creditable service who is not eligible for retirement, the plan provides for benefits for the surviving spouse and minor children, as outlined in the statutes. Any member of Plan A, who is eligible for normal retirement at time of death, the surviving spouse shall receive an automatic Option 2 benefit, as outlined in the statutes. A surviving spouse who is not eligible for Social Security survivorship or retirement benefits, and married not less than twelve (12) months immediately preceding death of the member, shall be paid an Option 2 benefit beginning at age 50.

<u>Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP)</u> - Act 338 of 1990 established the deferred retirement option plan (DROP) for the Retirement System. DROP is an option for that member who is eligible for normal retirement. In lieu of terminating employment and accepting a service retirement, any member of Plan A who is eligible to retire may elect to participate in the DROP in which they are enrolled for three years and defer the receipt of benefits. During participation in the plan, employer contributions are payable but employee contributions cease. The monthly retirement benefits that would be payable, had the person elected to cease employment and receive a service retirement allowance, are paid into the DROP Fund.

Upon termination of employment prior to or at the end of the specified period of participation, a participant in the DROP may receive, at his option, a lump sum from the account equal to the payments into the account, a true annuity based upon his account balance in that fund, or roll over the fund to an Individual Retirement Account. Interest is accrued on the DROP benefits for the period between the end of DROP participation and the member's retirement date.

For individuals who become eligible to participate in the DROP on or after January 1, 2004, all amounts which remain credited to the individual's subaccount after termination in the Plan will be placed in liquid asset money market investments at the discretion of the board of trustees. These subaccounts may be credited with interest based on money market rates of return or, at the option of the System, the funds may be credited to self-directed subaccounts. The participant in the self-directed portion of this Plan must agree that the benefits payable to the participant are not the obligations of the state or the System, and that any returns and other rights of the Plan are the sole liability and responsibility of the participant and the designated provider to which contributions have been made.

Cost of Living Adjustments - The Board is authorized to provide a cost of living allowance for those retirees who retired prior to July 1973. The adjustment cannot exceed 2% of the retiree's original benefit for each full calendar year since retirement and may only be granted if sufficient funds are available from investment income in excess of normal requirements. In addition, the Board may provide an additional cost of living increase to all retirees and beneficiaries who are over age 65 equal to 2% of the member's benefit paid on October 1, 1977, (or the member's retirement date, if later). Also, the Board may provide a cost of living increase up to 2.5% for retirees 62 and older (LRS 11:1937). Lastly, Act 270 of 2009 provided for further reduced actuarial payments to provide an annual 2.5% cost of living adjustment commencing at age 55.

<u>Contributions</u> - According to state statute, contributions for all employers are actuarially determined each year. For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the actuarially determined contribution rate was 7.34% and 7.49% of member's compensation for Plan A. The actual contribution rate for the years ending December 31, 2023 and 2022 was 11.50% and 11.50% for Plan A.

## NOTE 14 - PENSION PLAN (Continued)

According to state statute, the System also receives ¼ of 1% of ad valorem taxes collected within the respective parishes, except for Orleans and East Baton Rouge parishes. The System also receives revenue sharing funds each year as appropriated by the Legislature. Tax monies and revenue sharing monies are apportioned between Plan A and Plan B in proportion to the member's compensation. These additional sources of income are used as additional employer contributions and are considered support from non-employer contributing entities.

The following is a schedule that summarizes information regarding contributions to the Plan for the years ended October 31:

	2024	2023
Total District payroll	\$ 13,558,133	\$ 12,900,472
Total covered payroll	11,215,496	10,868,103
Employee contributions	997,800	965,564
Employer contributions	1,289,786	1,249,825

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions - At October 31, 2024 and 2023, the District reported a liability of \$1,427,069 and \$5,952,840, respectively, for its proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset). The net pension liability (asset) for the System was measured as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the total pension liability (asset) used to calculate the net pension liability (asset) was determined based on an actuarial valuation as of those dates. The District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contribution of all participating employers, actuarially determined.

As of the most recent measurement dates, the District's proportionate shares were:

	2023	2022
District's proportionate share	1.497885%	1.546678%
Increase (Decrease) from prior year	-0.048793%	0.072392%

For the years ended October 31, 2024 and 2023, the District recognized a total pension expense of \$570,618 and a total pension benefit of \$2,552,090, respectively. The amounts are made up of the following:

Components of Pension Expense		2024	2023
District's pension expense per the pension plan District's amortization of actual contributions	\$	572,048 \$	2,553,764
over its proportionate share of contributions	_	(1,430)	(1,674)
Total pension expense (benefit) recognized by district	\$	570,618 \$	2,552,090

## NOTE 14 - PENSION PLAN (Continued)

The District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

		Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	675,761	\$	(383,053)
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		2,299,928		-0-
Changes in proportion to NPL		-0-		(248,625)
Differences between the District's contributions and				(2.10,020)
its proportionate share of contributions		37,134		(66,153)
The District's contributions subsequent to the				
December 31, 2023 measurement date		<u>974,461</u>		
Total - October 31, 2024	\$	3,987,284	\$	(697,831)
		Defermed		Defermed
		Deferred Outflows of		Deferred Inflows of
		Resources		Resources
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Differences between expected and actual experience Net difference between projected and actual earnings	\$	220,091	\$	(655,857)
on pension plan investments		6,284,289		-0-
Changes in proportion to NPL		189,977		-0-
Differences between the District's contributions and				
its proportionate share of contributions		83,330		(106,780)
The District's contributions subsequent to the		022 797		0
December 31, 2022 measurement date	<b>a</b>	932,787	<b>c</b>	<u>-0-</u>
Total - October 31, 2023	\$	7,710,474	\$	(762,637)

## NOTE 14 - PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Deferred outflows of resources resulting from the District's contributions subsequent to the measurement date totaled \$974,461 at October 31, 2024. This amount will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability (asset) in the year ending October 31, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Years Ending October 31,	Amount of Amortization
2025	\$ 178,196
2026	1,135,620
2027	1,936,013
2028	(934,837)

<u>Actuarial Assumptions</u> - The total pension liability in the Plan's December 31, 2023 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal cost
Inflation rate	2.30%
Investment rate of return	6.40% (net of investment expense)
Expected remaining service lives	4 years
Projected salary increases	4.75% (2.45% merit / 2.30% inflation)
Cost of living adjustments	The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by the Plan and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The present values do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet authorized by the Plan's Board of Trustees.
Mortality rates	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Health Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2021 scale for annuitant and beneficiary mortality. For employees, the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2021 scale. Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2021 scale for disabled annuitants.

## NOTE 14 - PENSION PLAN (Continued)

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a triangulation method which integrated the capital asset pricing model (top-down), a treasury yield curve approach (bottom-up) and an equity building-block model (bottom-up). Risk return and correlations are projected on a forward-looking basis in equilibrium, in which best-estimates of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These rates are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation of 2.30% and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification. The resulting expected long-term rate of return is 7.50% and 7.70% for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the System's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively, are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class         Target Asset Allocation         Portfolio Real Rate of Return           Fixed income         33%         1.12%           Equity         51%         3.20%           Alternatives         14%         0.67%           Real assets         2%         0.11%           Totals         100%         5.10%           Inflation         2.40%			Long-Term Expected
Asset Class         Allocation         Rate of Return           Fixed income         33%         1.12%           Equity         51%         3.20%           Alternatives         14%         0.67%           Real assets         2%         0.11%           Totals         100%         5.10%           Inflation         2.40%		Target Asset	
Equity       51%       3.20%         Alternatives       14%       0.67%         Real assets       2%       0.11%         Totals       100%       5.10%         Inflation       2.40%	Asset Class	•	
Alternatives       14%       0.67%         Real assets       2%       0.11%         Totals       100%       5.10%         Inflation       2.40%	Fixed income	33%	1.12%
Real assets         2%         0.11%           Totals         100%         5.10%           Inflation         2.40%	Equity	51%	3.20%
Totals 100% 5.10% Inflation 2.40%	Alternatives	14%	0.67%
Inflation 2.40%	Real assets	2%	0.11%
	Totals	100%	5.10%
Expected arithmetic nominal return - December 31, 2023 7.50%	Inflation		2.40%
	Expected arithmetic nominal return - December 31, 2023		7.50%
Fixed income 33% 1.17%	Fixed income	33%	1.17%
Equity 51% 3.58%	Equity	51%	3.58%
Alternatives 14% 0.73%	Alternatives	14%	0.73%
Real assets 2% 0.12%	Real assets	2%	0.12%
Totals100%5.60%	Totals	100%	5.60%
			2.10%
Expected arithmetic nominal return - December 31, 2022 7.70%	Expected arithmetic nominal return - December 31, 2022		7.70%

<u>Discount Rate</u> - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.40% for each of the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from participating employers will be made at the actuarially determined rates approved by Louisiana Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee (PRSAC) taking into consideration the recommendation of the System's actuary. Based on those assumptions, the System's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members.

## NOTE 14 - PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

<u>Sensitivity to Changes in Discount Rate</u> - The following presents the net pension liability (asset) of the District calculated using the discount rates for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, as well as what the employers' net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

	Changes in Discount Rate Current					
	1% Decrease 5.40%		Discount Rate 6.40%		1% Increase 7.40%	
Net pension liability (asset) - December 31, 2023	\$ 679,784,535	\$	95,272,222	\$	(395,367,826)	
	1% Decrease 5.40%		Current Discount Rate 6.40%		1% Increase 7.40%	
Net pension liability (asset) - December 31, 2022	\$ 951,818,910	\$	384,879,064	\$	(90,427,343)	

Non-Employer Contributing Entities - Contributions received by a pension plan from non-employer contributing entities that are not in a special funding situation are recorded as revenue by the respective pension plan. The District recognizes revenue in an amount equal to their proportionate share of total contributions to the pension plan from these non-employer contributing entities. The District recognized revenue as a result of support received from non-employer contributing entities of \$148,217 and \$144,121 for the years ended October 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

<u>Payables to the Pension Plan</u> - As of October 31, 2024 and 2023, the District had payables due to the Plan of \$225,288 and \$186,041, respectively. These amounts represent one and a half month's contributions paid in the month following accrual.

<u>Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position</u> - Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Plan financial report.

## NOTE 15 - CHARITY CARE

The District provides charity care to patients who are financially unable to pay for part or all of the healthcare services they receive. The patient will either qualify for 100% of charity care or owe a per-diem based on the patient's level of income. Accordingly, the District does not report the amounts it expects not to collect in net operating revenues or in the allowance for doubtful accounts. The District determines the cost associated with providing charity care by aggregating the applicable direct and indirect costs, including wages and related benefits, supplies and other operating expenses. The cost of caring for charity care patients were approximately \$53,000 and \$54,000 for the years ended October 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Funds received through UCC and grants, which pay part of the cost of charity care and uninsured care, were approximately \$48,000 and \$38,000 for the years ended October 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

## NOTE 16 - NET PATIENT SERVICE REVENUE

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

**Medicare** - Prior to November 1, 2004, inpatient acute care services rendered to Medicare program beneficiaries were paid at prospectively determined rates per discharge. These rates varied according to a patient classification system that was based on clinical, diagnostic, and other factors. Certain outpatient services related to Medicare beneficiaries were paid based on a set fee per diagnosis with a hold harmless provision for cost reimbursement. Effective November 1, 2004, the District became a Medicare "Critical Access Hospital" (CAH). This designation enables the District to receive cost-based reimbursement for most services provided to Medicare beneficiaries on or after this date.

The District is reimbursed for cost reimbursable items at a tentative rate with final settlement determined after submission of annual cost reports by the District and audits thereof by the Medicare fiscal intermediary. The District's classification of patients under the Medicare program and the appropriateness of their admission are subject to an independent review by a peer review organization under contract with the District. Home health services are reimbursed based upon a prospectively determined rate per episode. Hospice services are reimbursed based on a prospectively determined rate per day. The District's Medicare cost reports have been settled by the Medicare fiscal intermediary through October 31, 2020. The intermediary may reopen and further adjust any year within three years of the date of a Notice of Program Reimbursement.

**Medicaid** - Medicaid inpatient services are reimbursed based upon a prospectively determined per diem rate. Some Medicaid outpatient services are reimbursed under a cost reimbursement methodology, while others are paid prospectively based on a fee schedule. The District is reimbursed at a tentative rate for cost-based services with final settlement determined after submission of annual cost reports by the District and audits thereof by the Medicaid fiscal intermediary. The District's Medicaid cost reports have been settled by the Medicaid fiscal intermediary through October 31, 2018.

Commercial - The District has also entered into payment agreements with certain commercial insurance carriers, health maintenance organizations, and preferred provider organizations. The basis for payment to the District under these agreements includes prospectively determined rates per discharge, discounts from established charges and prospectively determined daily rates. Blue Cross Blue Shield "BCBS" is the largest commercial provider. BCBS charges were 14% and 15% of the total charges for the year ended October 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

## NOTE 16 - NET PATIENT SERVICE REVENUE (Continued)

The following is a summary of the District's net patient service revenue for the years ended October 31:

	2024	2023
Gross charges	\$ 43,337,719	\$ 40,634,264
Less charges associated with charity patients	83,540	66,673
Gross patient service revenue	43,254,179	40,567,591
Less deductions from revenue:		
Contractual adjustments	17,258,182	17,138,126
Discounts	26,623	31,292
Patient service revenue (net of contractual		
adjustments and discounts)	25,969,374	23,398,173
Less provision for bad debts	2,203,855	1,504,557
Net patient service revenue less provision for		
bad debts	\$ 23,765,519	\$ 21,893,616

The District receives a substantial portion of its revenues from the Medicare and Medicaid programs at discounted rates. The following is a summary of Medicare and Medicaid net patient service revenues for the years ended October 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Medicare and Medicaid gross patient charges Contractual adjustments	\$ 17,414,817 (3,343,032)	16,848,245 (2,917,896)
Program patient service revenue	\$ 14,071,785	\$ 13,930,349
Percent of total patient gross charges	<u>40%</u>	<u>41%</u>
Percent of total net patient revenues	<u>59%</u>	<u>64%</u>

The Hospital experienced differences between the amounts initially recorded on its cost settlements with Medicare and Medicaid and the finalized amounts. Adjustments resulted in an increase in net patient service revenue of \$19,634 during 2024. There were no finalized amounts in fiscal year 2023.

The Hospital's previous reimbursements are also subject to secondary review by Medicare and Medicaid representatives. These representatives have several initiatives in progress. No material liabilities have been identified to date under these review programs; however, the potential does exist for future claims. These will be recognized in the year the amounts are determined, if any.

## NOTE 17 - INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER GRANTS

The District entered into a cooperative endeavor agreement with a regional public hospital ("Grantor") whereby the Grantor awards an intergovernmental transfer grant ("IGT") to be used solely to provide adequate and essential medically necessary and available healthcare services to the District's service population subject to the availability of such grant funds. The aggregate IGT grant income is \$-0- and \$40,436 for the years ended October 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

## NOTE 18 - COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT

The District has agreed to a cooperative endeavor (CEA) with other like-minded Louisiana hospitals, per Louisiana's Rural Hospital Preservation Act. The intent of this agreement is to pool hospital resources across the State to support access to healthcare in rural Louisiana. Under the CEA, the District deposits an amount, determined annually by the Rural Hospital Coalition (RHC), into an account, from which RHC is permitted to withdraw funds and make distributions to participating hospitals using a predetermined formula. Although the payments are formulaic in nature, they are not guaranteed, nor are they directly related to Medicaid reimbursement for provisions of goods and healthcare services to patients. Accordingly, the deposits made by the District to RHC were less than the amount received by the District under this program, resulting in a net amount of \$482,560 and \$331,857, respectively. This was recorded as other revenue called Access to Care.

## NOTE 19 - PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY RISK

The District participates in the Louisiana Patient's Compensation Fund ("PCF") established by the State of Louisiana to provide professional medical liability coverage to health care providers. The fund provides for \$400,000 of coverage per occurrence above the first \$100,000 per occurrence for which the District is at risk. The fund places no limitation on the number of occurrences covered. In connection with the establishment of the Patient's Compensation Fund, the State of Louisiana enacted legislation limiting the amount of settlement for professional liability to \$100,000 per occurrence and limiting the PCF's exposure to \$400,000 per occurrence. Defense costs are not included in these amounts.

The District's membership in the Louisiana Hospital Association Trust Fund provides additional coverage for professional medical malpractice liability. The trust fund bills members in advance, based upon an estimate of their exposure. At policy year-end, premiums are redetermined utilizing actual losses of the District. The trust fund presumes to be a "Grantor Trust" and, accordingly, income and expenses are pro-rated to member hospitals. The District has included these allocations and equity in the trust in its financial statements.

## NOTE 20 - WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

The District participates in the Louisiana Hospital Association Self-Insurance Workmen's Compensation Trust Fund. Should the fund's assets not be adequate to cover claims made against it, the District may be assessed its pro-rata share of the resulting deficit. It is not possible to estimate the amount, if any, of additional assessments. The trust fund presumes to be a "Grantor Trust" and accordingly, income and expenses are pro-rated to member hospitals. The District has included these allocations and equity in the trust in its financial statements.

## **NOTE 21 - CONTINGENCIES**

The District evaluates contingencies based upon the best available evidence. The District believes that no allowance for loss contingencies is considered necessary. To the extent that resolution of contingencies results in amounts which vary from the District's estimates, future earnings will be charged or credited. The principal contingencies are described below:

**Governmental Third-Party Reimbursement Programs (Note 16)** - The District is contingently liable for retroactive adjustments made by the Medicare and Medicaid programs as the result of their examinations as well as retroactive changes in interpretations applying statutes, regulations, and general instructions of those programs. The amount of such adjustments cannot be determined.

Further, in order to continue receiving reimbursement from the Medicare program, the District entered into an agreement with a government agent allowing the agent access to the District's Medicare patient medical records for purposes of making medical necessity and appropriate level of care determinations. The agent has the ability to deny reimbursement for Medicare patient claims which have already been paid to the District.

The healthcare industry is subject to numerous laws and regulations of federal, state and local governments. These laws and regulations include, but are not necessarily limited to, matters such as licensure, accreditation, privacy, government healthcare program participating requirements, reimbursement for patient services, and Medicare and Medicaid fraud and abuse. Recently, government activity has increased with respect to investigations and allegations concerning possible violations of fraud and abuse statutes and regulations by healthcare providers. Violations of these laws and regulations could result in expulsion from government healthcare programs together with the imposition of significant fines and penalties, as well as significant repayments for patient services previously billed. Management believes that the Hospital is in compliance with fraud and abuse statutes as well as other applicable government laws and regulations. Compliance with such laws and regulations can be subject to future government review and interpretation as well as regulatory actions unknown or unasserted at this time.

**Professional Liability Risk (Note 19)** - The District is contingently liable for losses from professional liability not underwritten by the Louisiana Patient's Compensation Fund or the Louisiana Hospital Association Trust Fund as well as for assessments by the Louisiana Hospital Association Trust Fund.

**Workmen's Compensation Risk** - The District participates in the Louisiana Hospital Association Self-Insurance Workmen's Compensation Trust Fund. Should the fund's assets not be adequate to cover claims made against it, the District may be assessed its pro rata share of the resulting deficit. It is not possible to estimate the amount of additional assessments, if any. Accordingly, the District is contingently liable for assessments by the Louisiana Hospital Association Trust Fund.

**Payments to Police Jury** - During 2024 and 2023, the District transferred \$412,000 and \$392,000 respectively, to the Police Jury for the District's portion of 911 service. These transfers were funded from interest income.

**Litigation and Other Matters** - Various claims in the ordinary course of business are pending against the District. In the opinion of management and counsel, insurance is sufficient to cover adverse legal determinations in those cases where a liability can be measured.

## NOTE 22 - SALES TAX

On September 29, 1984, a 1% sales tax was renewed by the citizens of the parish for an indefinite term. The resolution provides that 50% of such tax shall be dedicated to the District. The remaining tax revenues are designated by the District to be distributed to hospital operations. On November 8, 2016, a 1/4% sales tax was approved by citizens of the parish for a ten (10) year term.

## NOTE 23 - RELATED PARTY

The District has engaged in transactions with Innis Community Health Center, Inc., a 501(c)(3) corporation. The District has an economic interest in this entity through common board members. Those transactions consist of various expenses in the amount of \$10,687 and \$32,424 for October 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

The District leases medical office space to Innis Community Health Center, Inc. The lease has an effective date of January 1, 2018 for an initial term of five (5) years with an option to extend for an additional ten (10) years. The District received \$16,056 and \$15,544 in rental income for the years ended October 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Interest income was \$5,244 and \$5,756 for each respective year.

## NOTE 24 - MEDICAID SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS

For state fiscal year (SFY) 2023 and 2024, the Louisiana Department of health (LDH) obtained a Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to make quarterly supplemental payments to hospitals based upon certain assumptions under a directed payment plan (DPP). Annually thereafter, LDH must submit the assumptions to CMS for approval in future years. The basis for interim supplemental payments is the Hospital's historical paid claims and other factors. In future state fiscal amounts LDH anticipates increasing or decreasing future DPP payments by the reconciliation amounts. The Hospital has recognized approximately \$2.4 million and \$3.1 million for fiscal year 2024 and 2023, respectively, as Medicaid supplemental income after consideration was given for future adjustments which the Hospital determined necessary. To the extent income recognized in the current period differs from actual results Medicaid supplemental income will be adjusted.

The District entered into an Intergovernmental Transfer Agreement (IGT) with the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) as part of Louisiana Physician IPA, Inc. which is a physician supplemental program. In fiscal year 2024, the Hospital received approximately \$1.4 million in Medicaid supplemental payments of which approximately \$585,000 was submitted to LDH as an IGT. In fiscal year 2023, the District received approximately \$2.4 million in Medicaid supplemental payments of which approximately \$948,000 was submitted to LDH as an IGT.

During 2019, the District began participation in the state's Medicaid Managed Care Incentive Program (MCIP). The program is designed to provide incentive payments to Medicaid Managed Care Plans for achieving quality reforms that increase access to health care and improve the quality of care. The District received \$2,503,113 and \$2,805,916 for the years ended October 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

## NOTE 25 - COMMITMENTS

The Hospital had on-going construction contracts, which totaled \$1,287,201, including change orders as of October 31, 2024. The District paid \$1,209,541 towards these commitments as of October 31, 2024.

## NOTE 26 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Events have been evaluated through April 28, 2025 for subsequent event disclosure. This date is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## Hospital Service District No.1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability

Fiscal Year*	District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)		District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	District's covered payroll	District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability
Louisiana Parocl	hial Employees' Retir	emei	nt System			
2014	1.431669%	\$	391,430	\$ 8,061,572	4.86%	99.15%
2015	1.405866%		3,700,644	8,003,102	46.24%	93.50%
2016	1.365762%		2,812,805	8,079,457	34.81%	94.15%
2017	1.327815%		(985,566)	8,172,920	-12.06%	101.98%
2018	1.403537%		6,229,401	8,628,382	72.20%	88.86%
2019	1.416005%		66,658	8,959,238	0.74%	99.89%
2020	1.467518%		(2,573,166)	9,799,208	-26.26%	104.00%
2021	1.474286%		(6,944,527)	9,891,472	-70.21%	110.46%
2022	1.546680%		5,952,840	10,492,419	56.73%	91.74%
2023	1.497890%		1,427,069	10,853,197	13.15%	98.04%

<sup>\*</sup>Amounts presented were determined as of the measurement date (December 31).

## Hospital Service District No.1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability

## NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## Changes of Benefit Terms

There were no changes of benefit terms for the ten years ended December 31, 2023.

## **Changes of Assumptions**

				Expected	
Year Ended		Investment		Remaing	Projected
12/31	Discount Rate	Rate of Return	Inflation Rate	Service Lives	Salary Increase
2014	7.25%	7.25%	3.00%	4	5.75%
2015	7.00%	7.00%	2.50%	4	5.25%
2016	7.00%	7.00%	2.50%	4	5.25%
2017	6.75%	6.75%	2.50%	4	5.25%
2018	6.50%	6.50%	2.40%	4	4.75%
2019	6.50%	6.50%	2.40%	4	4.75%
2020	6.40%	6.40%	2.30%	4	4.75%
2021	6.40%	6.40%	2.30%	4	4.75%
2022	6.40%	6.40%	2.30%	4	4.75%
2023	6.40%	6.40%	2.30%	4	4.75%

Mortality rates were based on RP-2000 Sex Distinct Tables in 2014 through 2017.

Mortality rates were based on Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Tables 2018 through 2023.

## Hospital Service District No.1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Schedule of Employer Contributions to Pension Plan

	Fiscal Year*	,	(a) Statutorily required contribution		(b) Contributions n relation to the atutorily required contribution		(a-b) Contribution Deficiency (Excess)		Agency's covered payroll	Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	
Louisiana Parochial Employees' Retirement System											
	2015	\$	1,195,934	\$	1,195,934	\$	-0-	\$	8,042,831	14.87%	
	2016		1,107,839		1,107,839		-0-		8,283,695	13.37%	
	2017		1,024,929		1,024,929		-0-		8,129,939	12.61%	
	2018		996,789		996,789		-0-		8,512,881	11.71%	
	2019		1,020,662		1,020,662		-0-		8,875,327	11.50%	
	2020		1,122,593		1,122,593		-0-		9,285,246	12.09%	
	2021		1,205,371		1,205,371		-0-		9,839,785	12.25%	
	2022		1,201,434		1,201,434		-0-		10,281,228	11.69%	
	2023		1,249,825		1,249,825		-0-		10,868,103	11.50%	
	2024		1,289,786		1,289,786		-0-		11,215,496	11.50%	

<sup>\*</sup>Amounts presented were determined as of the end of the fiscal year.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Schedules of Net Patient Service Revenue Years Ended October 31,

		2024		2023
Routine services: Adult and pediatric	\$	5,253,900	\$	4,775,715
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Total routine services		5,253,900		4,775,715
Other professional services:				
Operating room		28,500		31,500
Anesthesiology		143,600		154,890
Radiology		10,326,482		9,805,288
Laboratory		11,932,953		12,326,281
Cardio pulmonary		904,301		724,403
Physical therapy		2,450,842		2,351,202
Occupational therapy		274,461		251,270
Speech therapy		250,585		259,265
Medical supply		374,787		349,036
Pharmacy		1,221,960		928,513
Emergency service		5,426,934		4,839,579
Observation room		279,835		152,365
Hospice		2,099,307		1,502,276
Wound care		174,441		173,041
Chemical dependency services		42,737		8,022
Home health		2,152,094		2,001,618
Total other professional services		38,083,819		35,858,549
Gross charges	\$	43,337,719	\$	40,634,264

# Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Schedules of Net Patient Service Revenue (Continued) Years Ended October 31,

		2024	<u>2023</u>
Less charges associated with charity patients	\$ .	(83,540)	\$ (66,673)
Gross patient service revenue		43,254,179	40,567,591
Less deductions from revenue:  Contractual adjustments Discounts		(17,258,182) (26,623)	(17,138,126) (31,292)
Patient service revenue		25,969,374	23,398,173
Less provision for bad debts	:-	(2,203,855)	(1,504,557)
Net patient service revenue	\$	23,765,519	\$ 21,893,616

## Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Schedules of Other Revenue Years Ended October 31,

	2024	2023
Rent	\$ 702,261	\$ 647,966
Medical record abstracts	2,517	3,484
Cafeteria	113,220	106,791
Access to care payment	482,560	331,857
Miscellaneous revenue	68,298	6,746
Total other operating revenue	\$ 1,368,856	\$ 1,096,844

# Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Schedules of Expenses – Salaries and Benefits Years Ended October 31,

	2024		2023
Salaries:			
Administration	\$ 2,089,786	\$	1,943,390
Plant operations and maintenance	414,696		328,397
Laundry	35,692		57,535
Housekeeping	549,017		496,929
Dietary and cafeteria	406,396		375,374
Nursing administration	160,534		149,983
Medical records	286,605		268,605
Nursing services	2,890,918		2,826,149
Central supply	101,989		97,635
Operating room	126,417		114,898
Radiology	1,140,104		1,060,633
Laboratory	1,308,926		1,259,410
Cardio pulmonary	551,396		511,213
Pharmacy	345,214		357,550
Emergency room	281,102		332,818
Rural health clinic	18,915		-0-
Home health	1,624,596		1,541,425
District	260,263		263,236
Health unit	158,163		150,547
Hospice	807,404		764,745
Total salaries	13,558,133		12,900,472
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Benefits:			
Payroll taxes	337,617		328,912
Retirement expense	1,331,125		1,237,051
Retirement actuarial valuation adjustment	(719,170)		1,302,265
Hospitalization insurance	1,157,140	,	1,189,183
Total benefits	2,106,712		4,057,411
Total salaries and benefits	\$ 15,664,845	\$	16,957,883

# Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Schedules of Expenses – Medical Supplies and Drugs Years Ended October 31,

	2024	2023
Nursing services	\$ 136,238	\$ 19,482
Operating room	16,655	22,578
Anesthesiology	3,888	3,388
Radiology	52,032	64,166
Laboratory and blood	732,778	769,705
Cardio pulmonary	82,103	83,961
Physical therapy	92,779	16,123
Central supply	102,932	90,582
Pharmacy	346,478	354,547
Emergency room	104,244	77,237
Wound care	1,141	463
Rural health clinic	66,264	-0-
Home health	29,396	26,038
Hospice	78,441	60,230
Total medical supplies and drugs	\$ 1,845,369	\$ 1,588,500

# Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Schedules of Expenses – Professional Fees Years Ended October 31,

	2024	2023
Nursing services	\$ 101,553	\$ 69,806
Operating room	14,011	-0-
Anesthesiology	107,500	115,300
Radiology	368,283	330,414
Laboratory and blood	633,955	564,969
Physical therapy	1,443,611	1,342,353
Cardio pulmonary	92,766	65,875
Pharmacy	61,983	50,552
Hospice	946	657
Wound clinic	121,425	108,275
Emergency room	1,337,557	1,312,510
Rural health clinic	33,192	-0-
Ambulance	47,965	32,233
Home health	87,557	73,184
Physician clinic	48,530	38,625
Total professional fees	\$ 4,500,834	\$ 4,104,753

# Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Schedules of Expenses – Other Expenses Years Ended October 31,

	2024	2023
Purchased services	\$ 2,268,677	\$ 1,983,055
Medical specialist	9,500	9,600
Collection fees	20,642	15,235
Supplies	943,459	739,971
Repairs and maintenance	68,408	97,298
Utilities	408,870	425,490
Telephone	83,390	72,429
Travel	132,416	141,948
Rentals	151,624	162,934
Advertising	58,512	80,816
Dues and subscriptions	123,949	117,507
Inter-governmental transfer	584,507	947,809
Miscellaneous	422,538	474,651
Total other expenses	\$ 5,276,492	\$ 5,268,743

# Hospital Service District No.1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Schedule of Per Diem Amounts Paid to Commissioners Year Ended October 31, 2024

r. Maurice Picard, Vice Chairman r. Trohn Blanchard, Secretary r. Donald Doucet, M.D., Finance Chair r. Dustin Boudreaux s. Brenda Goode r. Anthony Hurst	Paid on Behalf of <u>Commissioners</u>
Dr. Carl McLemore, M.D., Chairman	-0-
Mr. Maurice Picard, Vice Chairman	-0-
Mr. Trohn Blanchard, Secretary	-0-
Dr. Donald Doucet, M.D., Finance Chair	-0-
Mr. Dustin Boudreaux	-0-
Ms. Brenda Goode	-0-
Mr. Anthony Hurst	-0-
Mr. William Vercher, Jr.	-0-
Ms. Janet Vosburg	-0-

# Hospital Service District No.1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Chief Executive Officer Year Ended October 31, 2024

Agency Head Name:

Chad Olinde

Position:

Chief Executive Officer - Hospital

Time Period:

November 1, 2023 to October 31, 2024

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	284,479
Health insurance	-0-
Retirement	32,715
Car allowance	-0-
Vehicle provided by government	-0-
Reimbursements	180
Travel	827
Registration fees	-0-
Conference travel	-0-
Continuing professional education fees	1,226
Housing	-0-
Unvouchered expenses	-0-
Special meals	-0-

Agency Head Name:

Jennifer Settoon

Position:

Administrator - Home Health & Hospice

Time Period:

November 1, 2023 to October 31, 2024

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	126,090
Health insurance	-0-
Retirement	14,500
Car allowance	-0-
Vehicle provided by government	-0-
Reimbursements	762
Travel	692
Registration fees	747
Conference travel	742
Continuing professional education fees	-0-
Housing	-0-
Unvouchered expenses	-0-
Special meals	-0-

# Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Combining Statements of Net Position October 31, 2024

<u>Assets</u>	Pointe Coupee General <u>Hospital</u>	Pointe Coupee Home Health & Hospice	Maison Pointe Coupee Apartments	Eliminating <u>Entries</u>		Combined
Current assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents						
(Note 3)	\$ 1,813,050	\$ 79,850	\$ 7,378	\$ -0-	\$	1,900,278
Patient accounts receivable, net of estimated uncollectibles						
(Note 6)	1,654,086	541,719	306	-0-		2,196,111
Estimated third-party payor	1,004,000	041,710	000	O		2,100,111
settlements	1,323,445	-0-	-0-	-0-		1,323,445
Other receivables	3,004,979	-0-	-0-	-0-		3,004,979
Inventory	542,236	15,262	-0-	-0-		557,498
Prepaid expenses	136,347	-0-	31,679	-0-		168,026
Current portion of lease receivable	307,960	-0-	-0-	-0-		307,960
Total current assets	8,782,103	636,831	39,363	-0-		9,458,297
Assets limited as to use (Note 4)	7,337,420	-0-	398,517	-0-		7,735,937
Nondepreciable capital assets (Note 7)	1,775,398	-0-	100,000	-0-		1,875,398
Depreciable capital assets, net (Note 7)	11,746,685	25,669	875,518	-0-		12,647,872
Right-of-use capital assets, net (Note 7)	141,995	-0-	-0-	-0-		141,995
Subscription assets, net (Note 8)	53,850	45,476	-0-	-0-		99,326
Other assets:						
Investments	35,659,781	2,552	-0-	-0-		35,662,333
Lease receivable	266,020	-0-	-0-	-0-		266,020
Total assets	65,763,252	710,528	_1,413,398			67,887,178
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Deferred outflows		_	_	_		
related to net pension liability	3,987,284	-0-	-0-	-0-		3,987,284
Total assets and deferred outflows						
of resources	\$ 69,750,536	\$ 710,528	\$ 1,413,398	\$ -0-	\$ .	71,874,462

# Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Combining Statements of Net Position (Continued) October 31, 2024

		Pointe Coupee General <u>Hospital</u>		Pointe Coupee Home Health <u>&amp; Hospice</u>		Maison Pointe Coupee Apartments		Eliminating Entries		Combined
<u>Liabilities and Net Position</u>										
Current liabilities:										
Accounts payable	\$	706,291	\$	42,063	\$	6,815	\$	-0-	\$	755,169
Accrued expenses and		4 040 400		440.007		40.070		0		4 070 000
withholdings payable (Note 9)		1,213,120		149,907		10,672		-0-		1,373,699
Estimated third-party payor settlements		1,071,471		-0-		-0-		-0-		1,071,471
Deferred revenues		-0-		4,167		-0-		(4,167)		-0-
Current portion of lease liability		113,410		-0-		-0-		-0-		113,410
Current portion of subscription liability		32,033		41,589		-0-		-0-		73,622
Current maturities of long-term		02,000		11,000		•		· ·		70,022
debt (Note 10)		-0-		4,958		12,545		-0-		17,503
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Total current liabilities		3,136,325		242,684		30,032		(4,167)		3,404,874
								(1,101)		
Net pension liability (Note 14)		1,427,069		-0-		-0-		-0-		1,427,069
Lease liability (Note 11)		40,973		-0-		-0-		-0-		40,973
Subscription liability (Note 12)		20,637		14,792		-0-		-0-		35,429
Long-term debt, net of current										
maturities (Note 10)		-0-		7,436		849,621		-0-		857,057
Total liabilities		4,625,004		264,912		879,653		(4,167)		5,765,402
Deferred inflows - net pension liability		697,831		-0-		-0-		-0-		697,831
Deferred inflows - lease receivable		527,811		-0-		0-		-0-		527,811
Total deferred inflows of resources		1,225,642		-0-		-0-		-0-		1,225,642
Net position:										
Invested in capital assets,										
net of related debt		13,510,875		2,370		113,352		-0-		13,626,597
Restricted - Donor capital		-0-		-0-		847,862		-0-		847,862
Unrestricted		50,389,015		443,246		(427,469)		4,167		50,408,959
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Total net position		63,899,890		445,616		533,745		4,167		64,883,418
Total liabilities, deferred inflows										
of resources, and net position	\$	69,750,536	\$	710,528	\$	1,413,398	\$	-0-	\$	71,874,462
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# Hospital Service District No. 1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Combining Statements of Net Position October 31, 2023

<u>Assets</u>		Pointe Coupee General <u>Hospital</u>		Pointe Coupee Home Health & Hospice		Maison Pointe Coupee Apartments		Eliminating Entries		Combined
Current assets:										
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>c</b>	2 505 054	<b>ሱ</b>	122 500	<b>c</b>	10.904	¢	0	<b>c</b>	2 647 644
(Note 3) Patient accounts receivable,	\$	3,505,054	\$	122,599	\$	19,891	\$	-0-	\$	3,647,544
net of estimated uncollectibles										
(Note 6)		1,679,249		494,495		341		-0-		2,174,085
Estimated third-party payor										
settlements		1,417,756		-0-		-0-		-0-		1,417,756
Other receivables		1,273,848		-0-		-0-		-0-		1,273,848
Inventory		672,762		11,426		-0-		-0-		684,188
Prepaid expenses		116,319		5,075		34,332		-0-		155,726
Current portion of lease receivable		314,189								314,189
Total current assets		8,979,177		633,595		54,564		-0-		9,667,336
Assets limited as to use (Note 4)		6,961,519		-0-		391,837		-0-		7,353,356
Nondepreciable capital assets (Note 7)		4,176,798		-0-		100,000		-0-		4,276,798
Depreciable capital assets, net (Note 7)		9,379,713		20,150		920,950		-0-		10,320,813
Right-of-use capital assets, net (Note 7)		267,287		-0-		-0-		-0-		267,287
Subscription assets, net (Note 8)		107,420		86,640		-0-		-0-		194,060
Other assets:										
Investments		29,290,449		2,421		-0-		-0-		29,292,870
Lease receivable		573,980								573,980
Total assets		59,736,343		742,806		1,467,351		0-		61,946,500
Deferred outflows										
related to net pension liability		7,710,474		-0-		-0-		-0-		7,710,474
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$	67,446,817	\$	742,806	\$	1,467,351	\$	-0-	\$	69,656,974

# Hospital Service District No.1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Combining Statements of Net Position (Continued) October 31, 2023

Liabilities and Net Position	Pointe Coupee General <u>Hospital</u>	Pointe Coupee Home Health & Hospice	Maison Pointe Coupee Apartments	Eliminating <u>Entries</u>	Combined
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$ 1,082,265	\$ 24,420	\$ 7,364	\$ -0-	\$ 1,114,049
Accrued expenses and	4 400 004	005.005	40.050	0	4 000 070
withholdings payable (Note 9) Estimated third-party payor	1,480,231	205,685	10,356	-0-	1,696,272
settlements	776,253	-0-	-0-	-0-	776,253
Deferred revenues	-0-	14,583	-0-	(14,583)	-0-
Current portion of lease liability	130,691	-0-	-0-	-0-	130,691
Current portion of subscription liability	52,342	36,787	-0-	-0-	89,129
Current maturities of long-term					
debt (Note 10)	-0-	-0-	11,714		11,714
Total current liabilities	3,521,782	281,475	29,434	(14,583)	3,818,108
Net pension liability (Note 14)	5,952,840	-0-	-0-	-0-	5,952,840
Lease liability (Note 11)	154,383	-0-	-0-	-0-	154,383
Subscription liability (Note 12)	52,671	56,380	-0-	-0-	109,051
Long-term debt, net of current					
maturities (Note 10)			862,167		862,167
Total liabilities	9,681,676	337,855	<u>891,601</u>	(14,583)	10,896,549
Deferred inflows - net pension liability	762,637	-0-	-0-	-0-	762,637
Deferred inflows - lease receivable	829,488			-0-	829,488
Total deferred inflows of resources	1 500 105	-0-	-0-	-0-	1 500 105
Total deferred liftiows of resources	1,592,125				1,592,125
Net position					
Invested in capital assets,					
net of related debt	13,541,131	13,623	147,069	-0-	13,701,823
Restricted - Donor capital	-0-	-0-	847,862	-0-	847,862
Unrestricted	42,631,885	391,328	(419,181)	14,583	42,618,615
Total net position	56,173,016	404,951	575,750	14,583	57,168,300
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Total liabilities, deferred inflows					
of resources, and net position	\$ 67,446,817	\$ 742,806	\$ 1,467,351	\$ 	\$ 69,656,974

# Hospital Service District No.1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Combining Statements of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position Year Ended October 31, 2024

	Pointe Coupee General <u>Hospital</u>	Pointe Coupee Home Health & Hospice	Maison Pointe Coupee Apartments	Eliminating <u>Entries</u>	<u>Combined</u>
Revenue:					
Net patient service revenue	\$ 19,841,317	\$ 3,924,202	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 23,765,519
Medicaid supplemental payments	7,038,013	-0-	-0-	-0-	7,038,013
Intergovernmental transfer grant	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Grants	17,778	-0-	-0-	-0-	17,778
Other operating revenue	1,079,024	38,164	299,084	(47,416)	1,368,856
Total revenue	27,976,132	3,962,366	299,084	(47,416)	32,190,166
Expenses:					
Salaries and benefits	12,721,566	2,863,192	80,087	-0-	15,664,845
Medical supplies and drugs	1,737,873	107,496	-0-	-0-	1,845,369
Insurance	415,333	56,027	38,032	-0-	509,392
Professional fees	4,431,553	69,281	-0-	-0-	4,500,834
Depreciation and amortization	1,189,424	49,915	61,323	-0-	1,300,662
Other expenses	4,228,327	938,040	147,125	(37,000)	5,276,492
Total expenses	24,724,076	4,083,951	326,567	(37,000)	29,097,594
Operating income (loss)	3,252,056	(121,585)	(27,483)	(10,416)	3,092,572
Nonoperating income (loss):					
Investment income	1,152,345	131	-0-	-0-	1,152,476
Interest expense	(17,534)	(7,281)	(14,437)	-0-	(39,252)
Sales tax revenue	2,965,950	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,965,950
Non-employer pension contributions	148,217	-0-	-0-	-0-	148,217
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets	(309,422)	(599)	(83)	-0-	(310,104)
Intergovernmental transfers	(170,000)	170,000	-0-	-0-	-0-
Payments to Police Jury	(412,000)	-0-	-0-	-0-	(412,000)
Nonoperating income (loss), net	3,357,556	162,251	(14,520)	0-	3,505,287
Excess of revenues (expenses)	6,609,612	40,666	(42,003)	(10,416)	6,597,859
Other comprehensive income					
Unrealized investment gains (losses)	1,117,259		-0-		1,117,259
Comprehensive income (loss)	7,726,871	40,666	(42,003)	(10,416)	7,715,118
Beginning net position	56,173,014	405,243	575,460	14,583	57,168,300
Ending net position	\$ 63,899,885	\$ 445,909	\$ 533,457	\$ 4,167	\$ 64,883,418

## Hospital Service District No.1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Combining Statements of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position Year Ended October 31, 2023

	Pointe Coupee General <u>Hospital</u>	Pointe Coupee Home Health & Hospice	Maison Pointe Coupee Apartments	Eliminating <u>Entries</u>	<u>Combined</u>
Revenue:					
Net patient service revenue	\$ 18,691,435	\$ 3,202,181	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 21,893,616
Medicaid supplemental payments	8,113,232	-0-	-0-	-0-	8,113,232
Intergovernmental transfer grant	40,436	-0-	-0-	-0-	40,436
Grants	11,988	-0-	-0-	-0-	11,988
Other operating revenue	820,148	62,127	286,586	(72,017)	1,096,844
Total revenue	27,677,239	3,264,308	286,586	(72,017)	31,156,116
Expenses:					
Salaries and benefits	14,118,901	2,765,015	73,967	-0-	16,957,883
Medical supplies and drugs	1,502,778	85,722	-0-	-0-	1,588,500
Insurance	379,216	56,813	35,134	-0-	471,163
Professional fees	4,042,587	62,166	-0-	-0-	4,104,753
Depreciation and amortization	1,222,205	47,013	62,104	-0-	1,331,322
Other expenses	4,426,101	777,811	151,431	(86,600)	5,268,743
Total expenses	25,691,788	3,794,540	322,636	(86,600)	29,722,364
Operating income (loss)	1,985,451	(530,232)	(36,050)	14,583	1,433,752
Nonoperating income (loss):					
Investment income	886,542	114	-0-	-0-	886,656
Interest expense	(23,251)	(8,645)	(15,217)	-0-	(47,113)
Sales tax revenue	2,861,606	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,861,606
Non-employer pension contributions	144,121	-0-	-0-	-0-	144,121
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets	85,000	-0-	(400)	-0-	84,600
Intergovernmental transfers	(507,000)	507,000	-0-	-0-	-0-
Payments to Police Jury	(392,000)				(392,000)
Nonoperating income (loss), net	3,055,018	498,469	(15,617)		3,537,870
Excess of revenues (expenses)	5,040,469	(31,763)	(51,667)	14,583	4,971,622
Other comprehensive income		•		•	440.004
Unrealized investment gains (losses)	412,861				412,861
Comprehensive income (loss)	5,453,330	(31,763)	(51,667)	14,583	5,384,483
Beginning net position	50,719,684	437,006	627,127	-0-	51,783,817
Ending net position	\$ 56,173,014	\$ 405,243	\$ 575,460	\$ 14,583	\$ 57,168,300

## Hospital Service District No.1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Combining Statements of Operations by Service Component Year Ended October 31, 2024

	<u>Hospital</u>	COA*	Home Health & <u>Hospice</u>	District Su	mmary Elderly <u>Housing</u>	District**	Eliminating Entries	<u>Total</u>	
Revenue:									
Net patient service revenue	\$ 19,841,317 \$	-0- \$	3,924,202	-0- \$	-0- \$	-0- \$	-0- \$	23,765,519	
Medicaid supplemental payments	7,038,013	-0-		-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	7,038,013	
Intergovernmental transfer grant	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
Grants	17,778	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	17,778	
Other	707,394	-0-	38,164		299,084	371,630	(47,416)	1,368,856	
Total revenue	<b>2</b> 7,604,502	-0-	3,962,366	-0-	299,084	371,630	(47,416)	32,190,166	
Figure 1999									
Expenses: Salaries and benefits	12,478,465	-0-	2,863,192	-0-	80,087	243,101	-0-	15,664,845	
Medical supplies and drugs	1,737,873	-0-	107,496	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,845,369	
Insurance	415,333	-0-	56,027	-0-	38,032	-0-	-0-	509,392	
Professional fees	4,430,508	· · · -0-	70,326	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,500,834	
Depreciation	1,030,727	-0-	49,915	5,118	61,323	153,579	-0-	1,300,662	
Other expenses	3,694,691	300,488	938,040	5,569	147,125	227,579	(37,000)	5,276,492	
Total expenses	_23,787,597	300,488	4,084,996	10,687	326,567	624,259	(37,000)	29,097,594	
Operating income (loss)	3,816,905	(300,488)	(122,630)	(10,687)	(27,483)	(252,629)	(10,416)	3,092,572	
Nonoperating income (loss):									
Investment income	1,152,345	-0-	131	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,152,476	
Interest expense	(24,815)	-0-	-0-	-0-	(14,437)	-0-	-0-	(39,252)	
Sales tax revenue	2,965,950	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,965,950	
Non-employer pension contributions	148,217	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	148,217	
Gain (loss) on disposal of asset	(310,104)	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	(310,104)	
Intergovernmental transfers	(170,000)	-0-	170,000	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
Payments to Police Jury	(20,000)	-0-	-0-		-0-	(392,000)	-0-	(412,000)	
Nonoperating income (loss), net	3,741,593		170,131		(14,437)	(392,000)	-0-	3,505,287	
Excess of revenues (expenses)	\$7,558,498 \$	(300,488) \$	47,501	\$(10,687) \$	(41,920) \$	(644,629) \$	(10,416) \$	6,597,859	

<sup>\*</sup> Council on Aging

<sup>\*\*</sup> Remaining non-hospital activities of the District

# Hospital Service District No.1 Of the Parish of Pointe Coupee and Affiliate Combining Statements of Operations by Service Component Year Ended October 31, 2023

	<u>Hospital</u>	COA*	Home Health & <u>Hospice</u>	District Su	ımmary Elderly <u>Housing</u>	<u>District**</u>	Eliminating Entries	<u>Total</u>
Revenue:								
Net patient service revenue	\$ 18,691,435 \$	-0- \$	3,202,181 \$	-0- \$	-0- \$	-0- \$	-0- \$	21,893,616
Medicaid supplemental payments	8,113,232	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	8,113,232
Intergovernmental transfer grant	40,436	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	40,436
Grants	11,988	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	11,988
Other	448,518		62,127	-0-	286,586	<b>37</b> 1,630	(72,017)	1,096,844
Total revenue	27,305,609	-0-	3,264,308	-0-	286,586	371,630	(72,017)	31,156,116
Expenses:								
Salaries and benefits	13,875,800	-0-	2,765,015	-0-	73,967	243,101	-0-	16,957,883
Medical supplies and drugs	1,502,778	-0-	85,722	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,588,500
Insurance	379,216	-0-	56,813	-0-	35,134	-0-	-0-	471,163
Professional fees	4,041,542	-0-	63,211	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,104,753
Depreciation	1,053,273	-0-	47,013	15,353	62,104	153,579	-0-	1,331,322
Other expenses	3,888,482	292,969	777,811	17,071	151,431	227,579	(86,600)	5,268,743
Total expenses	24,741,091	292,969	3,795,585	32,424	<b>3</b> 22,636	624,259	(86,600)	29,722,364
Operating income (loss)	2,564,518	(292,969)	(531,277)	(32,424)	(36,050)	(252,629)	14,583	1,433,752
Nonoperating income (loss):								
Investment income	886,542	-0-	114	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	886,656
Interest expense	(24,615)	-0-	(7,281)	-0-	(15,217)	-0-	-0-	(47,113)
Sales tax revenue	2,861,606	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,861,606
Non-employer pension contributions	144,121	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	144,121
Gain (loss) on disposal of asset	84,600	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	84,600
Intergovernmental transfers	(507,000)	-0-	507,000	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Payments to Police Jury	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	(392,000)	-0-	(392,000)
Nonoperating income (loss), net	3,445,254		499,833		(15,217)	(392,000)	-0-	3,537,870
Excess of revenues (expenses)	\$ 6,009,772 \$	(292,969) \$	(31,444) \$	(32,424) \$	(51,267) \$	(644,629) \$	14,583 \$	4,971,622

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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

To the Board of Commissioners Hospital Service District No. 1 Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana New Roads, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the 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 Hospital Service District No. 1, Parish of Pointe Coupee, (the "District" or the "Hospital"), a component unit of the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury, as of and for the years ended October 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's combined financial statements as listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon dated April 28, 2025. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of Maison Pointe Coupee Apartments, as described in our report on the District's financial statements. This report does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those auditors.

## Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.

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. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial

Board of Commissioners Hospital Service District No. 1 Parish of Pointe Coupee, State of Louisiana Page Two

statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. We consider the deficiency described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as item 2024-002 to be a material weakness.

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 charged with governance. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as item 2024-001 to be a significant deficiency.

# **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. 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 District's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the District's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. The District's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

#### 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 and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Certified Public Accountants Alexandria, Louisiana

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April 28, 2025



# POINTE COUPEE GENERAL HOSPITAL SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2024

# Section I. Summary of Auditors' Results

#### Financial Statements

Type of auditors' report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weaknesses identified Yes
- Significant deficiencies identified Yes

# Compliance:

Noncompliance issues noted – No

Management letter issued - No

Federal Awards - N/A

# Section II. Financial Statement Findings

#### FINDING 2024-001 - Segregation of Duties

Criteria: Hospital staff should maintain a segregation of duties for effective internal control.

**Condition:** There is not a complete segregation of duties in all accounting, recording and custody functions

Cause: Segregation is not feasible due to small staff size.

**Effect:** A weakness in internal control exists over job duties and functions, allowing an opportunity for fraud.

<u>Recommendation:</u> We recommend that duties be segregated to the extent possible to prevent both intentional and unintentional errors. Segregation includes 1) separating transaction authorization from custody of related assets; 2) separating transaction recording from general ledger posting and maintenance; 3) separating operations responsibility from record-keeping. Where these segregations are not possible, we recommend close supervision and review.

**Response:** The District is limited in its resources. The benefits of having a complete segregation of duties are not feasible. However, management closely supervises and reviews the accounting, recording, and custody functions.



# POINTE COUPEE GENERAL HOSPITAL SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2024

# Section II. Financial Statement Findings (Continued)

# FINDING 2024-002 - MCIP Receivable

<u>Criteria:</u> Revenues related to the Managed Care Incentive Payment (MCIP) Program should be recorded when able to be estimated and considered earned.

**Condition:** Receivables and revenue related to the MCIP Program were understated.

**Cause:** Management is conservative when recording revenue.

**Effect:** Receivables and operating revenues were understated by approximately \$2.1 million.

<u>Recommendation:</u> We recommend developing a consistent methodology to record MCIP Program revenue each period, using the most current data available.

<u>Response:</u> Management will develop methodology to consistently record MCIP Program revenues using the most current data available.

# Section III. Management Letter

Not Applicable

Section IV. Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

Not Applicable



# POINTE COUPEE GENERAL HOSPITAL SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2024

# Section I. Financial Statement Findings

# FINDING 2023-001 - Segregation of Duties

Fiscal Year Initially Reported: October 31, 2007

<u>Condition:</u> Due to a limited number of available employees, there is not a complete segregation of duties in all accounting, recording and custody functions.

<u>Recommendation:</u> We recommend that duties be segregated to the extent possible to prevent both intentional and unintentional errors. Segregation includes 1) separating transaction authorization from custody of related assets; 2) separating transaction recording from general ledger posting and maintenance; 3) separating operations responsibility from record-keeping. Where these segregations are not possible, we recommend close supervision and review.

**<u>Current Status:</u>** Not resolved - See finding 2024-001.

#### FINDING 2023-002 - Receivables

Fiscal Year Initially Reported: October 31, 2022

**Condition:** The estimates for receivables as of year-end were not adequate.

**Recommendation:** We recommend recording the estimate for allowances on patient accounts receivable monthly based on the most current data available. Other receivables should be recorded when the funds are able to be estimated and considered earned.

Current Status: Resolved.

Section II. Management Letter

Not Applicable

Section III. Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

None reported



# HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1 PARISH OF POINTE COUPEE

# INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2024



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To the Board of Commissioners of Hospital Service District No. 1 Parish of Point Coupee, State of Louisiana and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal period November 01, 2023 through October 31, 2024. Hospital Service District No. 1, Parish of Point Coupee (the Hospital) management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

The Hospital has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal period November 01, 2023 through October 31, 2024. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated findings are as follows:

#### 1) Written Policies and Procedures

- A. Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe whether they address each of the following categories and subcategories if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations:
  - i. **Budgeting**, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.
  - ii. **Purchasing**, including (1) how purchases are initiated, (2) how vendors are added to the vendor list, (3) the preparation and approval process of purchase requisitions and purchase orders, (4) controls to ensure compliance with the Public Bid Law, and (5) documentation required to be maintained for all bids and price quotes.
  - iii. **Disbursements**, including processing, reviewing, and approving.
  - iv. **Receipts/Collections**, including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions (e.g., periodic confirmation with outside parties, reconciliation to utility billing after cutoff procedures, reconciliation of traffic ticket number sequences, agency fund forfeiture monies confirmation).

- v. **Payroll/Personnel**, including (1) payroll processing, (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, and (3) approval process for employee rates of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.
- vi. *Contracting*, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.
- vii. *Travel and Expense Reimbursement*, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.
- viii. *Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, purchase cards, if applicable)*, including (1) how cards are to be controlled, (2) allowable business uses, (3) documentation requirements, (4) required approvers of statements, and (5) monitoring card usage (e.g., determining the reasonableness of fuel card purchases).
- ix. **Ethics**, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 42:1111-1121, (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place, (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations, and (4) a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy.
- x. **Debt Service**, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.
- xi. Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity, including (1) identification of critical data and frequency of data backups, (2) storage of backups in a separate physical location isolated from the network, (3) periodic testing/verification that backups can be restored, (4) use of antivirus software on all systems, (5) timely application of all available system and software patches/updates, and (6) identification of personnel, processes, and tools needed to recover operations after a critical event.
- xii. *Prevention of Sexual Harassment*, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

**Exceptions:** Purchasing policies did not address how vendors are added. Contracting policies did not address legal review of contracts. Ethics policies and procedures did not address the system to monitor violations and did not address a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy. Information technology policies were discussed with management.

Management's Response: Management will continue to update and to implement policies, as needed.

# 2) Board or Finance Committee

- A. Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and
  - Observe that the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.



- ii. For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe whether the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on all special revenue funds. Alternatively, for those entities reporting on the not-for-profit accounting model, observe that the minutes referenced or included financial activity relating to public funds if those public funds comprised more than 10% of the entity's collections during the fiscal period.
- iii. For governmental entities, obtain the prior year audit report and observe the unassigned fund balance in the general fund. If the general fund had a negative ending unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report, observe that the minutes for at least one meeting during the fiscal period referenced or included a formal plan to eliminate the negative unassigned fund balance in the general fund.
- iv. Observe whether the board/finance committee received written updates of the progress of resolving audit finding(s), according to management's corrective action plan at each meeting until the findings are considered fully resolved.

**Exceptions:** The board meets on a monthly basis according to its bylaws. During the period under examination, three (3) of the twelve (12) monthly meetings were cancelled.

**Management's Response:** The board approved cancelling three (3) meetings during the period under examination.

#### 3) Bank Reconciliations

- A. Obtain a listing of entity bank accounts for the fiscal period from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the entity's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select 4 additional accounts (or all accounts if less than 5). Randomly select one month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for each selected account, and observe that:
  - i. Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated or electronically logged);
  - ii. Bank reconciliations include written evidence that a member of management or a board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation within 1 month of the date the reconciliation was prepared (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged); and
  - iii. Management has documentation reflecting it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date, if applicable.



# 4) Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)

- A. Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/checks/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 deposit sites (or all deposit sites if less than 5).
- B. For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one collection location for each deposit site (e.g., 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if there are no written policies or procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties) at each collection location, and observe that job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that:
  - i. Employees responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers;
  - ii. Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g., pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit;
  - iii. Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit; and
  - iv. The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or custodial fund additions, is (are) not also responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee/official verifies the reconciliation.
- C. Obtain from management a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash. Observe that the bond or insurance policy for theft was in force during the fiscal period.
- D. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A (select the next deposit date chronologically if no deposits were made on the dates randomly selected and randomly select a deposit if multiple deposits are made on the same day). Alternatively, the practitioner may use a source document other than bank statements when selecting the deposit dates for testing, such as a cash collection log, daily revenue report, receipt book, etc. Obtain supporting documentation for each of the 10 deposits and:
  - i. Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.
  - ii. Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.
  - iii. Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.
  - iv. Observe that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the depository is more than 10 miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100 and the cash is stored securely in a locked safe or drawer).
  - v. Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.



# 5) Non-Payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases, travel reimbursements, and petty cash purchases)

- A. Obtain a listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 locations (or all locations if less than 5).
- B. For each location selected under procedure #5A above, obtain a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtain written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if the agency has no written policies and procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties), and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that
  - At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order or making the purchase;
  - ii. At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors;
  - iii. The employee responsible for processing payments is prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, unless another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files:
  - iv. Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments; and
  - v. Only employees/officials authorized to sign checks approve the electronic disbursement (release) of funds, whether through automated clearinghouse (ACH), electronic funds transfer (EFT), wire transfer, or some other electronic means.
- C. For each location selected under procedure #5A above, obtain the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly select 5 disbursements for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction, and
  - Observe whether the disbursement, whether by paper or electronic means, matched the related original itemized invoice and supporting documentation indicates that deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity, and
  - ii. Observe whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under procedure #5B above, as applicable.
- D. Using the entity's main operating account and the month selected in Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A, randomly select 5 non-payroll-related electronic disbursements (or all electronic disbursements if less than 5) and observe that each electronic disbursement was (a) approved by only those persons authorized to disburse funds (e.g., sign checks) per the entity's policy, and (b) approved by the required number of authorized signers per the entity's policy. Note: If no electronic payments were made from the main operating account during the month selected the practitioner should select an alternative month and/or account for testing that does include electronic disbursements.

**Exceptions:** Five (5) of the five (5) electronic disbursements selected for testing did not include evidence of approval by those persons authorized to disburse funds or approval by the required number of authorized signers per the Hospital's policy.



**Management's response**: Management will review current processes and determine how to ensure approval for electronic disbursements is present and disbursements are approved by the required number of authorized signers.

# 6) Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/Purchase Cards (Cards)

- A. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and purchase cards (cards) for the fiscal period, including the card numbers and the names of the persons who maintained possession of the cards. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete.
- B. Using the listing prepared by management, randomly select 5 cards (or all cards if less than 5) that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly select one monthly statement or combined statement for each card (for a debit card, randomly select one monthly bank statement). Obtain supporting documentation, and
  - i. Observe whether there is evidence that the monthly statement or combined statement and supporting documentation (e.g., original receipts for credit/debit card purchases, exception reports for excessive fuel card usage) were reviewed and approved, in writing (or electronically approved) by someone other than the authorized card holder and
  - ii. Observe that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.
- C. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under procedure #6B above, excluding fuel cards, randomly select 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions (e.g., each card should have 10 transactions subject to inspection). For each transaction, observe that it is supported by (1) an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased, (2) written documentation of the business/public purpose, and (3) documentation of the individuals participating in meals (for meal charges only). For missing receipts, the practitioner should describe the nature of the transaction and observe whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as a "missing receipt statement" that is subject to increased scrutiny.

**Exceptions:** There were sixteen (16) exceptions found as a result of these procedures. Thirteen (13) of the forty-one (41) credit card receipts did not have written documentation of business purpose. Three (3) credit cards out of five (5) did not have evidence that statement and supporting documentation was reviewed and approved.

**Management's Response:** Monthly statements and supporting documentation will be reviewed and signed by a member of governing board. Efforts will be made to ensure all transactions have a documented business purpose

# 7) Travel and Travel-Related Expense Reimbursements (excluding card transactions)

A. Obtain from management a listing of all travel and travel-related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select 5 reimbursements and obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid



expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the 5 reimbursements selected:

- i. If reimbursed using a per diem, observe that the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov);
- ii. If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased;
- iii. Observe that each reimbursement is supported by documentation of the business/public purpose (for meal charges, observe that the documentation includes the names of those individuals participating) and other documentation required by Written Policies and Procedures procedure #1A(vii); and
- iv. Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

**Exceptions:** One (1) exception was noted. One (1) original itemized receipt was missing from the support provided.

**Management's Response:** Management will monitor expense reimbursements documents to ensure itemized receipts are present.

#### 8) Contracts

- A. Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. *Alternatively, the practitioner may use an equivalent selection source, such as an active vendor list.*Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 contracts (or all contracts if less than 5) from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and
  - i. Observe whether the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law;
  - ii. Observe whether the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law;
  - iii. If the contract was amended (e.g., change order), observe that the original contract terms provided for such an amendment and that amendments were made in compliance with the contract terms (e.g., if approval is required for any amendment, the documented approval); and
  - iv. Randomly select one payment from the fiscal period for each of the 5 contracts, obtain the supporting invoice, agree the invoice to the contract terms, and observe that the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.



# 9) Payroll and Personnel

- A. Obtain a listing of employees and officials employed during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 employees or officials, obtain related paid salaries and personnel files, and agree paid salaries to authorized salaries/pay rates in the personnel files.
- B. Randomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees or officials selected under procedure #9A above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and
  - i. Observe that all selected employees or officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory);
  - ii. Observe whether supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees or officials;
  - iii. Observe that any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records; and
  - iv. Observe the rate paid to the employees or officials agrees to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.
- C. Obtain a listing of those employees or officials that received termination payments during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select two employees or officials and obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations and the entity's policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employee's or official's cumulative leave records, agree the pay rates to the employee's or official's authorized pay rates in the employee's or official's personnel files, and agree the termination payment to entity policy.
- D. Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll related amounts (e.g., payroll taxes, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums, garnishments, workers' compensation premiums, etc.) have been paid, and any associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

**Exceptions:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.

#### 10) Ethics

- A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A obtain ethics documentation from management, and
  - i. Observe whether the documentation demonstrates that each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:1170; and
  - ii. Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates that each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.
- B. Inquire and/or observe whether the agency has appointed an ethics designee as required by R.S. 42:1170.



**Exceptions:** One (1) exception was noted. There was no documentation notifying a change to the ethics policy for the fiscal year.

**Management's Response**: Management will update ethics policy to include what documentation is needed to notify when there is a change to the ethics policy.

# 11) Debt Service

- A. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes and other debt instruments issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all debt instruments on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each debt instrument issued as required by Article VII, Section 8 of the Louisiana Constitution.
- B. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants (including contingency funds, short-lived asset funds, or other funds required by the debt covenants).

**Exceptions:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.

# 12) Fraud Notice

- A. Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the entity reported the misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the entity is domiciled as required by R.S. 24:523.
- B. Observe that the entity has posted, on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds.

**Exceptions:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.

#### 13) Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

- A. Perform the following procedures, verbally discuss the results with management, and report "We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management."
  - i. Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe evidence that such backup (a) occurred within the past week, (b) was not stored on the government's local server or network, and (c) was encrypted.
  - ii. Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel



- responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past 3 months.
- iii. Obtain a listing of the entity's computers currently in use and their related locations, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.
- B. Randomly select 5 terminated employees (or all terminated employees if less than 5) using the list of terminated employees obtained in procedure #9C. Observe evidence that the selected terminated employees have been removed or disabled from the network.
- C. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A, obtain cybersecurity training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates that the following employees/officials with access to the agency's information technology assets have completed cybersecurity training as required by R.S. 42:1267. The requirements are as follows:
  - i. If hired before June 9, 2020 completed the training, or
  - ii. If hired on or after June 9, 2020 completed the training within 30 days of initial service or employment.

**Exceptions:** We performed the procedures and discussed the results with management.

#### 14) Prevention of Sexual Harassment

- A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:343.
- B. Observe that the entity has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website (or in a conspicuous location on the entity's premises if the entity does not have a website).
- C. Obtain the entity's annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1, and observe that the report includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:
  - i. Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;
  - ii. Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;
  - iii. Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;
  - iv. Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and
  - v. Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.



We were engaged by the Hospital to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Hospital and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely to describe the scope of testing performed on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs, and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the LLA as a public document.

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