Audit of Financial Statements

June 30, 2020



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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors Southeastern Louisiana Area Health Education Center Hammond, Louisiana

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Southeastern Louisiana Area Health Education Center (the Center), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2020, the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

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Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Center as of June 30, 2020, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the 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 financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 16, 2020, on our consideration of the Center's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is 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 Center's internal control over financial report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Center's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A Professional Accounting Corporation

Metairie, LA December 16, 2020

SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTER Statement of Financial Position June 30, 2020

Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	446,121
Certificate of Deposit		3,164,041
Grants Receivable		4,035,798
Notes Receivable, Net of Allowance		2,044,636
Other Assets		165,062
Prepaid Expenses		8,086
Deposits		300
Fixed Assets, Net		419,601
Total Assets	\$	10,283,645
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$	816,951
Deferred Revenue		134,159
Line of Credit		112,127
Notes Payable		3,368,650
Total Liabilities	******	4,431,887
Net Assets		
Without Donor Restrictions		5,851,758
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	10,283,645

Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	
Support and Revenue	
Cooperative Endeavor with LSUMC - State Portion	\$ 391,561
Cooperative Endeavor with LSUMC - Federal Portion	96,609
Federal Grant Revenue	3,280,346
Grants Revenue - State and Private	19,944,578
Contract Revenue	1,559,679
Interest and Other Income	 381,295
Total Support and Revenue	 25,654,068
Expenses	
Program Services	
Area Health Education	23,397,760
Supporting Services	
Management and General	 1,672,062
Total Expenses	 25,069,822
Change in Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	584,246
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	 5,267,512
Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 5,851,758

SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTER Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	Program Services Area Health Education		ServicesServicesArea HealthManagement		Total
Salaries and Related Benefits	\$	16,949,261	\$	905,046	\$ 17,854,307
Professional Fees		2,719,838		33,510	2,753,348
Administrative Services		1,435,211		-	1,435,211
Supplies and Maintenance		633,753		191,966	825,719
Travel		618,709		29,961	648,670
Operating Service Expense		442,983		31,331	474,314
Rent		255,805		34,376	290,181
Telephone and Communication		209,581		31,049	240,630
Interest		-		128,371	128,371
Consulting Fees		12,800		71,669	84,469
Equipment Expense		52,128		6,000	58,128
Contractual		-		53,701	53,701
Depreciation		-		48,248	48,248
Legal Fees		-		38,853	38,853
Other		36,558		-	36,558
Postage		14,871		8,482	23,353
Utilities		9,690		10,394	20,084
Advertising and Public Relations		-		19,403	19,403
Insurance		1,211		11,278	12,489
Dues and Subscription		-		8,939	8,939
Bank Fees		-		9,485	9,485
Professional Development		4,087		-	4,087
Printing		1,274		-	 1,274
Total Expenses by Function	\$	23,397,760	\$	1,672,062	\$ 25,069,822

SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTER Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Change in Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	\$	584,246
Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Net Assets Without		
Donor Restrictions to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		
Depreciation		48,248
(Increase) Decrease in Assets		
Grants Receivable		1,156,349
Prepaid Expenses		8,476
Increase (Decrease) in Liabilities		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities		(690,367)
Deferred Revenue	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	(22,999)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		1,083,953
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Decrease in Notes Receivable		21,129
Purchase of Certificate of Deposit		(3,068,962)
Purchase of Fixed Assets		(88,435)
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities		(3,136,268)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities		
Proceeds on PPP Loan		3,068,650
Proceeds on Line of Credit		7,052,860
Payments on Line of Credit		(8,176,329)
Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities		1,945,181
Net Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents		(107,134)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year		553,255
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$	446,121
Supplemental Disclosure		
Cash Paid for Interest	\$	128,371

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Organization

Southeastern Louisiana Area Health Education Center (the Center), formerly known as Southeastern Louisiana Area Health Education Foundation, is a Louisiana non-profit organization originally chartered on June 22, 1989. Its purpose is to operate an area health education center in southeastern Louisiana, in order to plan for additional clinical educational opportunities in rural and underserved communities. The Center provides the following program activities: serves as a bridge between Schools of Health Professions, health providers, and communities; conducts "needs assessments" to determine health care manpower needs and help communities fill those through a "grow your own approach"; organizes linkages with others to provide clinical training sites for students in medicine, nursing, allied health, and dentistry; recruits and retains health care professionals in rural and underserved areas; educates and attracts students, especially those under-represented, to careers in medicine, nursing, dentistry, and allied health fields; sponsor adult and student health career fairs, summer health career camps, and elementary school health education programs; and presents affordable, high quality educational seminars and community education on health care issues for professionals and the public.

Federal Income Taxes

The Center is exempt from federal income tax as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Basis of Accounting

The Center prepares its financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, involving the application of accrual accounting; consequently, revenues and gains are recognized when earned and expenses and losses are recognized when incurred.

Basis of Presentation

The Center follows the provisions of the *Not-for-Profit Organizations* Topic of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC). Under the *Not-for-Profit Organizations* Topic of the FASB ASC, the Center is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets: net assets without donor restrictions and net assets with donor restrictions. As of June 30, 2020, there are no net assets with donor restrictions.

Use of Estimates

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

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Contributions

Contributions received are recorded as with or without donor restrictions depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions. Support that is restricted by the donor is reported as an increase in net assets without donor restrictions if the restriction expires in the reporting period in which the support is recognized. All other donor-restricted support is reported as an increase in net assets with donor restrictions. Once expended for their restricted purpose, these restricted net assets are released to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

Contributed property and equipment is recorded at fair value at the date of donation. In the absence of donor-imposed stipulations regarding how long the contributed asset must be used, the Center has adopted a policy of implying a time restriction on contributions of such assets that expires over the assets' useful lives.

Donated Goods and Services

Organizations are required to recognize as revenue and related expense, services received if the organization would typically need to purchase the services if not received as donations. No amounts have been reflected in the financial statements for donated goods and services because there was either no objective basis available to measure their value or the value given was immaterial to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Revenue and Expenses

Support for the Center is provided primarily by the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College, acting on behalf of the Louisiana State University Medical Center (LSUMC), by federal grants received either directly from federal agencies or passed through state and local governmental agencies, and by contracts and agreements signed with various state agencies to provide support personnel. Interest income is also generated by the Rural Loan Fund.

Expenditures pertaining to the funding provided by LSUMC are to be made in accordance with a budget, which has been adopted and made a part of the cooperative endeavor with LSUMC. The Center is to be reimbursed by LSUMC for costs incurred in carrying out the provisions of the agreement.

For federal and state grants administered on a cost-reimbursement basis, revenue is recognized as allowable expenditures are incurred.

Grants Receivable

Grant receivable represents amounts earned but not yet collected as of June 30, 2020, from the various grants awarded to the Center. Management believes that the amounts are fully collectible, and no provision for uncollectible accounts is considered necessary.

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Fixed Assets

Effective with the October 1, 1994, cooperative endeavor between LSUMC and the Center, title to equipment purchased with these funds is to remain with the Center. Prior to October 1, 1994, title to equipment purchased with these funds was to remain with LSUMC. Therefore, equipment purchased with funds provided by LSUMC during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, has been capitalized and recorded in the statement of financial position. In addition, the costs of automobiles, furniture, and office equipment purchased with funds provided by federal award programs have been capitalized and recorded in the statement of financial position. Acquisitions of property and equipment in excess of \$1,000 and an economic useful life greater than one year are capitalized. Property and equipment are carried at cost or, if donated, at the approximate fair value at the date of donation. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets as follows: building and building improvements - 30 years, furniture and equipment - 5 to 7 years, and vehicles - 3 to 5 years.

Notes Receivable

Notes receivable (related to the Rural Loan Fund) are stated at their principal balances outstanding. Interest income on notes receivable is recognized using the interest method. An allowance is established in an amount that management believes will be adequate to absorb possible losses on existing notes that may become uncollectible, based on evaluation of the collectability and prior loss experience. The evaluations take into consideration such factors as current economic conditions that may affect the borrowers' ability to pay.

Cash Flow Information

The Center considers all short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. The Center did not make any cash payments for income taxes during the year ended June 30, 2020.

Functional Expenses

The cost of providing the Center's various programs and supporting services have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. The statement of functional expenses presents the natural classification detail of expenses by function. Expenses are first allocated by direct identification and then allocation if an expenditure benefits more than one program or function. As of June 30, 2020, all expenses were allocated by direct identificated.

Advertising Costs

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred. There were no advertising expenses for the year.

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Recent Accounting Pronouncements - Not Yet Adopted

In May 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)*, which amends the existing accounting standards for revenue recognition. ASU 2014-09 is based on principles that govern the recognition of revenue at an amount an entity expects to be entitled to when products are transferred to customers. The effective date of ASU 2014-09 has been deferred through the Issuance of ASU 2015-14. The effective date for the Center has been deferred until the year beginning July 1, 2020. The new revenue standard may be applied retrospectively as of the date of adoption. Management is currently evaluating the impact of adopting the new revenue standard on its financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*. ASU 2016-02 requires that a lessee recognize the assets and liabilities that arise from leases classified as finance or operating. A lessee should recognize in the statement of financial position a liability to make lease payments (the lease liability) and a right-of-use asset representing its right to use the underlying asset for the lease term. For leases with a term of 12 months or less, a lessee is permitted to make an accounting policy election by class of underlying asset not to recognize lease assets and lease liabilities. In transition, lessees and lessors are required to recognize and measure leases at the beginning of the earliest period presented using a modified retrospective approach. The effective date for the Center is the year beginning July 1, 2022. Management does not expect ASU 2016-02 to have a significant impact on the financial statements.

In June 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-08, *Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Clarifying the Scope and the Accounting Guidance for Contributions Received and Contributions Made.* ASU 2018-08 will clarify and improve current guidance about whether a transfer of assets, or the reduction, settlement of cancellation of liabilities, is a contribution or an exchange transaction. ASU 2018-08 is effective for the Center on July 1, 2020. Management does not anticipate a significant impact on the financial statements upon adoption of ASU 2018-08.

Note 2. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Center periodically maintains cash in bank accounts in excess of the federally insured limits. The balances are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$250,000 per financial institution. At June 30, 2020, approximately \$2,977,000 of cash and cash equivalents were uninsured. The Center has not experienced any losses and does not believe that significant credit risk exists as a result of this practice.

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 3. Notes Receivable

The Center operates the Rural Loan Fund Program to assist rural health clinics and hospitals obtain low-interest loans to assist in obtaining necessary equipment and facilities to enhance their ability to provide high-quality health care to residents in rural areas of the State of Louisiana.

At June 30, 2020, the Center had sixteen notes outstanding totaling \$2,063,136. At June 30, 2020, all sixteen notes were classified as current. The sixteen notes have interest rates of approximately 4% to 7%, with maturities ranging from 2020 to 2029.

During the year ended June 30, 2020, the Center conducted a review of its notes receivable and has recorded an allowance for doubtful accounts of \$18,500.

Note 4. Fixed Assets

As of June 30, 2020, fixed assets consisted of the following:

Buildings	\$ 547,639
Office Equipment	115,336
Office Furniture	51,582
Vehicles	 216,212
	 930,769
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	 (511,168)
Total	\$ 419,601

All capitalized assets are depreciated using the straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Depreciation expense for the year ended June 30, 2020, totaled \$48,248.

Not included in fixed assets is approximately \$460,000 of medical reference books and journals which were donated to the Center during the year ended June 30, 2015. No value has been recorded within the financial statements for this donation as these items have been accepted for their potential future use in scientific and educational research.

Note 5. Line of Credit and Notes Payable

The Center has a line of credit in the amount of \$3,000,000. The line bears interest at the Index (4% at June 30, 2020) and matures May 12, 2022. As of June 30, 2020, the balance outstanding on the line of credit was \$112,127.

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 5. Line of Credit and Notes Payable (Continued)

The Center has a \$300,000 note payable from the Louisiana Public Facilities Authority (LPFA). The note is non-interest bearing, and the entire principal balance of \$300,000 is due in July 2022.

On March 27, 2020, Congress enacted the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) which established the Paycheck Protection Program (the Program). The Program was created to assist small businesses in paying their employees and certain other expenses during the coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis. On May 7, 2020, the Center applied for a loan under the Program and received \$3,068,650 in proceeds from a bank. The loan is forgivable if the Center meets certain criteria as established under the Program. If not forgiven, payments of principal and interest in the amount of \$172,693 are due monthly beginning November 7, 2020. The loan bears interest at 1% and matures on May 7, 2022.

Note 6. Retirement Plan

The Center established an employer sponsored 403(b) annuity plan (the Plan) effective October 1, 1990, to provide retirement benefits for employees of the Center and the payment of benefits to employees and their beneficiaries. The Center's contribution was 7% of the employees' salaries during the year ended June 30, 2020. Additionally, an amount determined by resolution of the Board of Directors of the Center may be contributed to the Plan. The contribution to the Plan for the year ended June 30, 2020, amounted to \$928,722.

In October 2014, the Center established a 457(b) deferred compensation plan covering the CEO, CFO, and certain senior staff. In June 2016, the Center approved to add Directors to the Plan. There were no contributions for the Plan during the year. The only eligible employees are the CEO, CFO, and certain Board approved senior staff.

Note 7. Operating Leases

The Center has operating leases for office space and office equipment. Lease expense for office equipment and office space for the year ended June 30, 2020 was \$34,376.

Future minimum lease payments on office equipment and office space for the years ending June 30, 2021, through June 30, 2025, are as follows: \$12,813 in 2021, \$10,113 in 2022, \$7,386 in 2023, \$6,840 in 2024, and \$960 in 2025.

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 8. Uncertain Tax Positions

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America provide accounting and disclosure guidance about positions taken by an entity in its tax returns that might be uncertain. The Center believes it has appropriate support for any tax positions taken, and management has determined that there are no uncertain tax positions that are material to the financial statements. Penalties and interests assessed by income taxing authorities, if any, would be included in income tax expense.

Note 9. Liquidity and Availability

The Center regularly monitors liquidity required to meet its operating needs and other contractual commitments. Expenditures are generally met within 30 days, utilizing the financial resources the Center has available. Financial assets available for general expenditures, that is, without donor or other restrictions limiting their use, within one year of the balance sheet date, consist of the following:

Certificate of Deposit Grants Receivable	 3,164,041 4,035,798
Total	\$ 7,645,960

Note 10. Risks and Uncertainties

On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the coronavirus outbreak a "Public Health Emergency of International Concern", and on March 11, 2020, declared it to be a pandemic. Actions taken around the world to help mitigate the spread of the coronavirus include restrictions on travel, quarantines in certain areas, and forced closures for certain types of public places and businesses. The coronavirus and actions taken to mitigate it have had, and are expected to continue to have, an adverse impact on the economies and financial markets of many countries, including the geographical area in which the Center operates.

It is unknown how long these and any other adverse conditions associated with the coronavirus will last and what the complete financial effect will be to the Center.

Note 11. Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, December 16, 2020, and determined that no events occurred that require disclosure. No subsequent events occurring after this date have been evaluated for inclusion in these financial statements.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTER Supplementary Information Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Agency Head

Brian P. Jakes, Sr., CEO

Purpose	Amount
Salary	\$112,718
Benefits - Insurance	\$7,943
Benefits - Retirement	\$29,390
Benefits - Other	\$1,428
Car Allowance	\$0
Per Diem	\$0
Reimbursements	\$0
Travel	\$0
Registration Fees	\$0
Conference Travel	\$0
Continuing Professional Education Fees	\$0
Housing	\$0
Business Cell Phone	\$2,544
Special Meals	\$0

Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 24:513(A)(3) as amended by Act 706 of the 2014 Regular Legislative Session requires that the total compensation, reimbursements, and benefits of an agency head or political subdivision head or chief executive officer related to the position, including but not limited to travel, housing, unvouchered expense, per diem, and registration fees to be reported as a supplemental report within the financial statement of local government and quasi-public auditees. In 2015, Act 462 of the 2015 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature further amended R.S. 24:513(A)(3) to clarify that nongovernmental entities or not-for-profit entities that received public funds shall report only the use of public funds for the expenditures itemized in the supplemental report.

UNIFORM GUIDANCE SECTION

SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTER Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through Entity's Identifying Number	Federal Revenue Recognized		Federal Expenditures	
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services						
Passed through Louisiana State University Medical Center:						
Area Health Education Centers Point of Service Maintenance and Enhancement Awards	93.107	72608770A1	\$	96,609	\$	96,609
Passed through City of New Orleans - Office of Health Policy:						
HIV Emergency Relief Project Grants - Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment	93.914	980HP0014C		665,366		665,366
Passed through New Orleans Regional AIDS Planning Council:						
HIV Emergency Relief Project Grants - Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment	93.914	980HP0014C		359,884		359,884
Passed through Florida Parishes Human Services Authority:						
Block Grants for Community Mental Health Services	93.958	721155014-00		34,197		34,197
Total - U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				1,156,056		1,156,056
U.S. Department of Education						
Passed through Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals:						
Special Education - Grants for Infants and Families	84.181	610292		2,220,899		2,220,899
Total - U.S. Department of Education				2,220,899		2,220,899
Total Expenditures and Federal Awards			\$	3,376,955	\$	3,376,955
Reconciliation Cooperative Endeavor with LSUMC - Federal Portion Federal Grant Revenue			\$	96,609 3,280,346		
Total			\$	3,376,955		

See accompanying notes to schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

Note 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the grant activity of Southeastern Louisiana Area Health Education Center (the Center) and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of the Uniform Guidance.

The Center has elected to use the indirect cost rate as specified under the grant agreement.



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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

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors Southeastern Louisiana Area Health Education Center Hammond, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Southeastern Louisiana Area Health Education Center (the Center), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2020, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 16, 2020.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Center'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 opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Center's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Center's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. 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 statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. 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.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Center'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*.

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 Center's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors Southeastern Louisiana Area Health Education Center Hammond, Louisiana

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Southeastern Louisiana Area Health Education Center's (the Center) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Center's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2020. The Center's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statues, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal program.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for the Center's major federal program based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Center's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Center's compliance.

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Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Center complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2020.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Center is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Center's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for the major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Center's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency or in *internal control over compliance* is a deficiency or in *internal control over compliance* is a deficiency or compliance will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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A. Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements Unmodified 1) Type of auditor's report 2) Internal control over financial reporting and compliance and other matters a) Material weaknesses identified? No b) Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses? None reported 3) Noncompliance material to the financial statements noted? No Federal Awards 4) Internal control over major programs a) Material weaknesses identified? No b) Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses? None reported Unmodified 5) Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major program 6) Audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR Section 200.516(a)? No Identification of major programs 84.181 - Special Education - Grants for Infants and Families 8) Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and B programs \$750,000 9) Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee? Yes

B. Findings Related to the Financial Statements

None.

C. Findings and Questioned Costs Related to Major Federal Award Program

None.

Findings Related to the Financial Statements

None.

Findings and Questioned Costs Related to Major Federal Award Program

None.