REGULAR BOARD MEETING PACKET



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Board Chair – Tom Herrin, Secretary – Kim Olive, Commissioner – Craig Coppock, Commissioner – Wes McMahan & Commissioner-Trish Frady

> October 25, 2023 @ 3:30 PM Conference Room 1 & 2 or Join Zoom Meeting: https://myarborhealth.zoom.us/j/82357530294

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LEWIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1 REGULAR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING October 25, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. Conference Room 1 & 2 or via ZOOM https://myarborhealth.zoom.us/j/82357530294

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Vision Statement

To provide every patient the best care and every employee the best place to work.

AGENDA	PAGE	TIME
Call to Order		
Roll Call		
Excused/Unexcused Absences		3:30 pm
Reading of the Mission & Vision Statement		
Approval or Amendment of Agenda		
Conflicts of Interest	<u> </u>	
Comments and Remarks		3:35 pm
Commissioners		
Audience	<u> </u>	
Executive Session- RCW 70.41.200, RCW 70.41.205 & RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)		
 Medical Privileging-Chief of Staff Dr. Travis Podbilski & Medical Staff Coordinator Barb Goble 	5	3:40 pm
Department Spotlight		3:45 pm
 Skilled Swing Bed-Jennifer Neely, RN, Case Manager & LeeAnn Evans, Inpatient/ED Director 	7	
Board Committee Reports		
Hospital Foundation Report-Committee Chair-Secretary Olive (Verbal Update)		3:55 pm
Finance Committee Report- Committee Chair-Commissioner Coppock	18	4:00 pm
Consent Agenda (Action)		4:10 pm
Approval of Minutes:		_
 September 27, 2023, Regular Board Meeting 	22	
October 18, 2023, Finance Committee Meeting	29	
• Warrants & EFTs in the amount of \$3,952,220.47 dated September 2023	33	
 Resolution 23-20-Declaring to Surplus or Dispose of Certain Property <i>To approve liquidation of items beyond their useful life.</i> 	35	
Old Business	1	4:15 pm
 Resolution 23-21-Approving the Amended Board Bylaws To approve the Amended Board Bylaws. 	38	

New Business		4:25 pm
Introduce Proposed Budget	57	
• To present the 2024 Proposed Budget by November 1, 2023.		
• To review the Capital Plan.		
Signing Authority	65	4:50 pm
• To discuss an additional signer on the bank account(s) to include Lewis County		
Investment & Banking Officer Rodney Reynolds. The Superintendent will have		
the Board's support to move forward-RE-Resolution 21-17.		
Board Policy & Procedure Review		4:55 pm
 Commissioner Compensation for Meetings and Other Services (REVISED) 	73	
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Superintendent Report	82	5:00 pm
• 2023-2025 Strategic Plan (Quarterly Update)	83	
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Meeting Summary & Evaluation		5:15 pm
Next Board Meeting Dates and Times		
• Special Board Meeting-Public Hearing- 2024 Budget-November 13, 2023 @ 6:00 PM (ZOOM & In Person)		
• Regular Board Meeting-November 15, 2023 @ 3:30 PM (ZOOM & In Person)		
• Special Board Meeting-Public Hearing-Levy-November 27, 2023 @ 6:00 PM (ZOOM &		
In Person)		
Next Committee Meeting Dates and Times		
• Compliance Committee Meeting-November 1, 2023 @ 12:00 PM (ZOOM)		
• Finance Committee Meeting-November 22, 2023 @ 12:00 PM (ZOOM)		
Adjournment		5:20 pm

EXECUTIVE SESSION



MEDICAL STAFF PRIVILEGING

The below providers are requesting appointment to the Arbor Health Medical Staff. All files have been reviewed for Quality Data, active state license, any malpractice claims, current liability insurance, peer references, all hospital affiliations, work history, National Practitioner Data Bank reports, sanctions reports, Department of Health complaints, Washington State Patrol background check and have been reviewed by the credentialing and medical executive committees including the starred items below. The credentialing and medical executive committees have recommended the following for approval.

INITIAL APPOINTMENTS-3

Radia Inc.

- Jill Furubayashi, MD (Consulting Radiology Privileges)
- Jonathan Hart, MD (Consulting Radiology Privileges)
- Pierre Shepherd, MD (Consulting Radiology Privileges)

REAPPOINTMENTS-4

Radia Inc.

• Dawn Hastreiter, MD (Consulting Radiology Privileges)

Providence Health & Services Privileging by Proxy

- Carson Van Sanford, MD (Consulting Telestroke/Neurology Privileges)
- Margarita Oveian, MD (Consulting Telestroke/Neurology Privileges)
- Sarabjit Atwal, MD (Consulting Telestroke/Neurology Privileges)

O-notates files with items to note.

DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT

Skilled Swing Bed

Department Spotlight

Jennifer Neely RN, Case Manager LeeAnn Evans, Inpatient & ED Director





Skilled Swing Bed Options (daily skilled need)

- Wound Car<u>e</u>
 - The goal of most acute wound or chronic ulcer care should be eventual wound closure with or without grafts, cellular or tissue products, or other surgery (such as amputation, wound excision, etc.).
 - Appropriate management, a wound may reach a state at which its care may be performed primarily by the patient and/or the patient's caregiver with periodic physician assessment and supervision.
- IV Therapy
 - Long-term IV antibiotics (weeks)
- Physical Therapy
 - Improves or maintains current function or slows decline.
 - Evaluates and treat injuries and diseases that change your ability to function.
- Occupational Therapy
 - Therapy to help you perform activities of daily living (like dressing or bathing).
 - This therapy helps to maintain current capabilities or slow decline.
- Speech Therapy
 - These services provide evaluation and treatment to regain and strengthen speech and language skills.
 - This includes cognitive and swallowing skills, or therapy to improve or maintain current function or slow decline.





Program History



- Dr. Hansen serves as the Skilled Swing Bed Medical Director
- Majority of Skilled Swing Bed admissions come form outside facilities post ICU and/or ortho surgery. Approximately 1/3 of the SWB admission come from our own OBS/IP admissions.
- 2021 admissions: 77
- 2022 admissions: 67
- 2023 year to date: 57





Program Investments/Upgrades

- Stroudwater quality metrics for Skilled SWB
- Use of Care Management in Cerner



2023 Successes

- Hired fulltime Case Manager
- Multi-disciplinary team approach to weekly Comprehensive Assessment
- Regular visits to Morton Senior Center
- 2023 successful placement (NH, AFH, Hospice, etc.) for every patient this year who needed it.
- Quicker insurance authorizations from average of 5 day wait to 2 day wait.

Marketing

- Arbor Health Video
- Resource Fairs in Morton and Packwood





Skilled Swing Bed

- <u>Definition</u>: A swing-bed is a service that rural hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) with a Medicare provider agreement provide that allows a patient to transition from acute care to Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) care without leaving the hospital.
- <u>Labor Force</u>: Requires a full-time RN Case Manager 5 days a week. 24/7 direct patient care from an RN. Daily direct patient care from wound care RN, PT, OT and/or ST.
- <u>Physical Space</u>: Use of Acute Care beds
- <u>Skilled Swing Bed Medical Director</u>: Dr. Mark Hansen





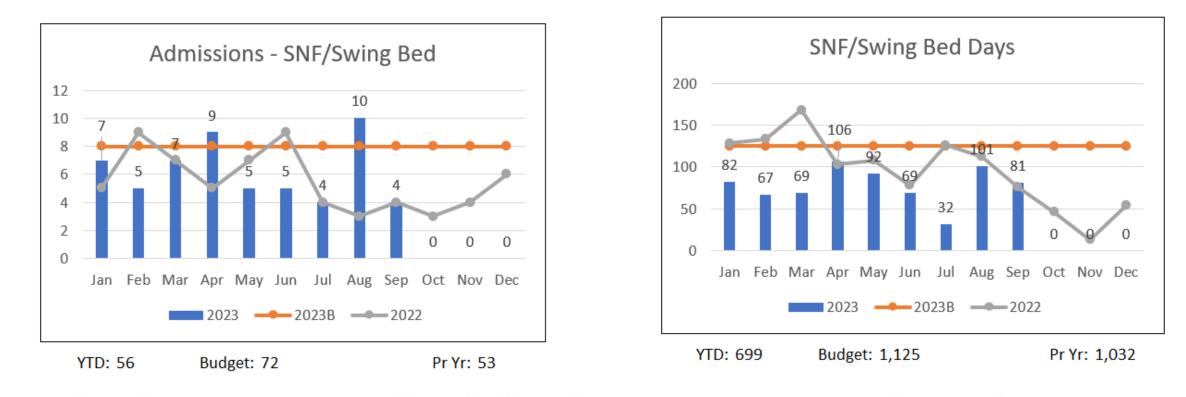
Typical Skilled Swing Bed Patients

- Chronic comorbidities that result in excessive weakness
- Post ortho
- Post-Sepsis (IV Therapy)
- Long-term IV Therapy
- Acute to chronic wound management



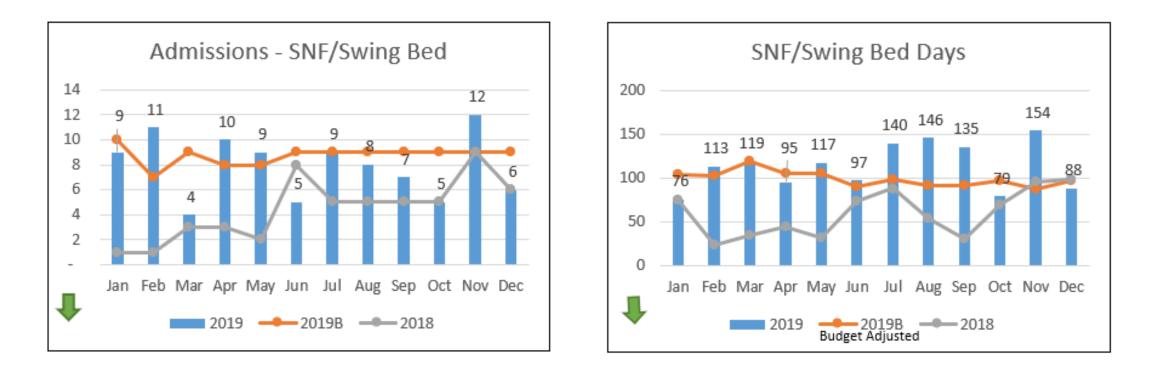
Financial Measures Skilled Swing Bed - Now

• Average payment per day: \$4,881(Medicare)



Financial Measures Skilled Swing Bed - 2019

• Average payment per day: \$4,881(Medicare)



BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

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ARBOR HEALTH EXECUTIVE SUMMARY Fiscal Year Ending: 9/30/23

	BALANCE S	SHEET		
			YTD	Prior YTD
ASSETS			9/30/2023	9/30/2022
Current Assets			\$9,787,476	\$12,347,493
Assets Whose Use is Limited			\$0	\$0
Property, Plant & Equipment (Net)			\$9,890,580	\$10,769,414
Other Assets			\$764,913	\$777,753
Total Unrestricted Assets			\$20,442,969	\$23,894,660
Restricted Assets			\$1,781,150	\$2,205,401
Total Assets			\$22,224,119	\$26,100,061
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS				
Current Liabilities			\$3,653,857	\$7,402,851
Long-Term Debt			\$5,958,878	\$6,825,366
Other Long-Term Liabilities			\$0	\$0
Total Liabilities			\$9,612,735	\$14,228,217
Net Assets			\$12,611,384	\$11,871,844
Total Liabilities and Net Assets			\$22,224,119	\$26,100,061
STATEMEN	T OF REVENUE	AND EXPENSES -	YTD	
	9/30/	/2023	YEAR T	O DATE
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Gross Patient Revenues	\$4,720,046	\$5,059,188	\$43,440,197	\$45,197,174
Discounts and allowances	(\$1,759,334)	(\$1,821,466)	(\$15,771,897)	(\$17,190,158)
Bad Dbt & Char C Write-Offs	(\$87,243)	(\$67,728)	(\$1,084,059)	(\$652,557)
Net Patient Revenues	\$2,873,469	\$3,169,994	\$26,584,241	\$27,354,459
Other Operating Revenues	\$96,102	\$103,429	\$694,130	\$930,859
Total Operating Revenues	\$2,969,571	\$3,273,423	\$27,278,371	\$28,285,318
Salaries, Benefits & Contr Lbr	\$2,373,570	\$2,325,525	\$20,000,711	\$20,837,819
Purchased Serv & Phys Fees	\$407,843	\$399,744	\$3,153,194	\$3,657,131
Supply Expenses	\$264,114	\$258,764	\$2,124,869	\$2,083,127
Other Operating Expenses	\$282,628	\$276,838	\$2,279,841	\$2,522,467
Depreciation & Interest Exp.	\$150,300	\$134,754	\$1,416,319	\$1,269,705
Total Expenses	\$3,478,455	\$3,395,625	\$28,974,934	\$30,370,249
NET OPERATING SURPLUS	(\$508,884)	(\$122,202)	(\$1,696,563)	(\$2,084,931)
Non-Operating Revenue/(Exp)	\$98,112	\$77,949	\$1,072,657	\$701,537
TOTAL NET SURPLUS	(\$410,772)	(\$44,253)	(\$623,906)	(\$1,383,394)
	KEY STATI	STICS		
	9/30/	/2023	YEAR T	O DATE
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Total Inpatient Admits	7	16	94	143
Average Length of Stay	3.70	3.00	4.40	3.00
Total Emergency Room Visits	481	467	4,174	4,200
Outpatient Visits	1,067	1,355	10,693	12,323
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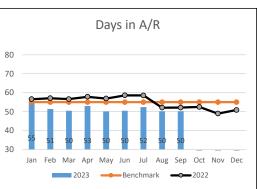
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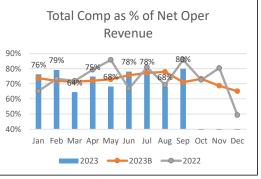
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Total Surgeries









L	ewis County Public Hos Balance Sho			
	September, 2		Prior-Year	Incr/(Decr)
	Current Month	Prior-Month	end	From PrYr
Assets				
Current Assets:				
Cash	\$ 4,479,280	5,957,470	5,055,656	(576,376)
Total Accounts Receivable	8,094,896	7,972,287	7,508,625	586,271
Reserve Allowances	(3,952,620)	(3,971,957)	(3,362,569)	(590,051)
Net Patient Accounts Receivable	4,142,276	4,000,330	4,146,056	(3,780)
Net Fallent Accounts Receivable	7,172,270	4,000,000	4,140,000	(3,700)
Taxes Receivable	128,749	66,776	52,607	76,142
Estimated 3rd Party Receivables	263,159	263,159	(11,605)	274,764
Prepaid Expenses	453,057	450,501	324,031	129,026
Inventory	264,677	263,322	253,658	11,018
Funds in Trust	1,781,150	1,772,855	1,711,559	69,591
Other Current Assets	56,278	50,407	180,415	(124,137)
Total Current Assets	11,568,626	12,824,820	11,712,378	(143,752)
Property, Buildings and Equipment	34,977,749	34,952,269	34,963,861	13,888
Accumulated Depreciation	(25,087,169)	(24,992,372)	(24,491,062)	(596,107)
Net Property, Plant, & Equipment	9,890,580	9,959,897	10,472,799	(582,219)
Right-of-use assets	595,398	620,192	681,064	(85,666)
Other Assets	169,514	169,514	167,514	2,000
Total Assets	\$ 22,224,119	23,574,424	23,033,755	(809,637)
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities:				
Accounts Payable	1,232,618	1,556,584	697,151	535,466
Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities		925,741	1,312,233	(764,817)
Accrued Vacation	846,907	835,866	716,055	130,851
Third Party Cost Settlement	76,909	315,618	(69,226)	146,136
Interest Payable	80,150	53,412	Û Û	80,150
Current Maturities - Debt	865,842	865,842	865,842	0
Other Payables	4,015	4,065	26,555	(22,540)
Current Liabilities	3,653,857	4,557,128	3,548,610	105,247
Total Notes Payable	859,293	884,667	1,086,048	(226,755)
Lease Liability	366,219	377,220	431,433	(65,214)
Net Bond Payable	4,733,365	4,733,255	4,732,375	991
Total Long Term Liabilities	5,958,878	5,995,142	6,249,856	(290,978)
Total Liabilities	9,612,735	10,552,269	9,798,466	(185,731)
General Fund Balance	13,235,289	13,235,289	13,235,289	0
Net Gain (Loss)	(623,906)	(213,134)	0	(623,906)
Fund Balance	12,611,384	13,022,155	13,235,289	(623,906)
Total Liabilities And Fund Balance	\$ 22,224,119	23,574,424	23,033,755	(809,637)

Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 Income Statement September, 2023

	CURRENT		моптн			Ň	EAR TO	DATE		
Pr Yr Month	% Var	\$ Var	Budget	Actual		Actual	Budget	\$ Var	% Var	Actual
546,898	-30%	(308,972)	1,023,868	714,895	Inpatient Revenue	6,241,560	9,115,331	(2,873,772)	-32%	5,055,971
3,296,804	2%	79,396	3,465,216	3,544,612	Outpatient Revenue	32,651,570	30,965,640	1,685,930	5%	29,258,407
432,612	-19%	(109,565)	570,104	460,539	Clinic Revenue	4,547,068	5,116,202	(569,134)	-11%	3,811,913
4,276,314	-7%	(339,141)	5,059,188	4,720,046	Gross Patient Revenues	43,440,197	45,197,174	(1,756,977)	-4%	38,126,291
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1,642,704	3%	62,133	1,821,466	1,759,334	Contractual Allowances	15,805,289	17,190,158	1,384,869	8%	12,495,531
102,631	24%	11,673	48,271	36,597	Charity Care	471,517	472,295	778	0%	453,398
29,020	-160%	(31,189)	19,457	50,646	Bad Debt	612,542	180,262	(432,280)	-240%	305,250
1,774,355	2%	42,617	1,889,194	1,846,577	Deductions from Revenue	16,889,347	17,842,715	953,368	5%	13,254,179
2,501,958	-9%	(296,524)	3,169,994	2,873,469	Net Patient Service Rev	26,550,850	27,354,459	(803,609)	-3%	24,872,111
58.5%	2.8%	1.8%	62.7%	60.9%	NPSR %	61.1%	60.5%	-0.6%	-1.0%	65.2%
94,664	-7%	(7,326)	103,429	96,102	Other Operating Revenue	694,129	930,859	(236,729)	-25%	866,254
2,596,622	-9%	(303,851)	3,273,422	2,969,572	Net Operating Revenue	27,244,979	28,285,318	(1,040,338)	-4%	25,738,365
					Operating Expenses					
1,862,684	6%	118,075	1,924,869	1,806,794	Salaries & Wages	16,662,548	17,276,963	614,415	4%	15,737,366
367,132	-41%	(166,119)	400,656	566,775	Benefits	3,338,163	3,560,856	222,693	6%	3,407,458
138,274	18%	26,837	145,365	118,528	Professional Fees	1,188,110	1,254,576	66,466	5%	1,243,439
310,362	-2%	(5,351)	258,764	264,114	Supplies	2,124,869	2,083,127	(41,741)	-2%	1,989,466
383,417	-2%	(8,099)	399,744	407,843	Purchase Services	3,153,194	3,657,131	503,936	14%	3,309,774
55,850	4%	1,824	41,469	39,646	Utilities	365,616	394,863	29,248	7%	416,838
26,718	-20%	(5,987)	30,695	36,681	Insurance	274,648	276,253	1,606	1%	218,393
73,486	-48%	(28,463)	59,309	87,772	Other Expenses	451,467	596,775	145,308	24%	430,411
3,217,923	-2%	(67,284)	3,260,871	3,328,155	EBDITA Expenses	27,558,615	29,100,545	1,541,930	5%	26,753,145
(621,301)	-2957%	(371,134)	12,551	(358,583)	EBDITA	(313,636)	(815,227)	501.591	-62%	(1,014,779)
-23.9%		12.5%	0.4%	-12.1%	EBDITA %	-1.2%	-2.9%	,	60.1%	-3.9%
					Capital Cost					
105,504	8%	8,332	105,765	97,433	Depreciation	1,131,157	1,008,806	(122,351)	-12%	983,949
34,964	-82%	(23,878)	28,989	52,867	Interest Cost	285,162	260,899	(24,263)	-9%	295,770
3,358,391	-2%	(82,830)	3,395,625	3,478,455	Operating Expenses	28,974,934	30,370,249	1,395,315	5%	28,032,864
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(761,768)		(386,681)	(122,203)	(508,883)	Operating Income / (Loss)	(1,729,955)	(2,084,932)		-17%	(2,294,498)
-29.3%			-3.7%	-17.1%	Operating Margin %	-6.3%	-7.4%			-8.9%
0	0%	0	0	0	Mcare/Mcaid Pr Yr	33,392	0	(33,392)	0%	0
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					Non Operating Activity					
158,167	34%	27,465	81,737	109,201	Non-Op Revenue	1,143,378	735,631	407,747	55%	1,359,943
3,232	-193%	(7,301)	3,788	11,089	Non-Op Expenses	70,720	34,094	(36,627)	-107%	38,610
154,935	26%	20,163	77,949	98,112	Net Non Operating Activity	1,072,657	701,537	371,120	53%	1,321,333
(606,833)	828%	(366,517)	(44,254)	(410,772)	Net Income / (Loss)	(623,906)	(1,383,394)	759,489	-55%	(973,166)
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-23.4%			-1.4%	-13.8%	Net Income Margin %	-2.3%	-4.9%			-3.8%

CONSENT AGENDA



LEWIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1 REGULAR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING September 27, 2023, at 3:30 p.m. Conference Room 1 & 2 and via ZOOM

https://myarborhealth.zoom.us/j/82982420387

Meeting ID: 829 8242 0387 One tap mobile: +12532158782,,82982420387# Dial: +1 253 215 8782

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<u>Vision Statement</u> To provide every patient the best care and every employee the best place to work.

AGENDA	DISCUSSION	ACTION	OWNER	DUE DATE
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Call to Order	Board Chair Herrin called the			
Roll Call	meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.			
Unexcused/Excused				
Absences	Commissioners present:			
Reading the Mission & Vision Statements	⊠ Tom Herrin, Board Chair			
& vision Statements	🖾 Killi Olive, Secretary			
	🖾 Wes McMahan			
	⊠ Craig Coppock			
	🗵 Trish Frady			
	Others present:			
	Robert Mach, Superintendent			
	🗵 Shana Garcia, Executive			
	Assistant			
	🛛 Sara Williamson, CNO/CQO			
	🛛 Cheryl Cornwell, CFO			
	⊠ Shannon Kelly, CHRO			
	Iulie Taylor, Ancillary Services			
	Director			
	⊠ Dr. Kevin McCurry, CMO			
	☐ Matthew Lindstrom, CFMO			
	Spencer Hargett, Compliance			
	Officer			
	☐ Janice Cramer, Patient Access			
	Manager			
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DUE DATE

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	\boxtimes Barb Goble, Medical Staff			
	Coordinator			
	🖾 Dr. Travis Podbilski, Chief of			
	Staff			
	🛛 Buddy Rose, Reporter			
	⊠ Clint Scogin, Controller			
	⊠ Julie Johnson, Quality Manager			
	\boxtimes Jessica Scogin, Foundation			
	C			
	Manager			
	⊠ Marc Fisher, Community Member			
	⊠ Jim Frey, IT Director			
	🛛 Robert Houser, Imagining			
	Manager			
	🖾 Van Anderson, Community			
	Member			
	🖂 Nicholas Tyler, Pharmacist			
	Board Chair Herrin noted the chat			
	function has been disabled and the			
	meeting will not be recorded.			
Approval or		Commissioner	CC 1 st , WM 2 nd ,	
Amendment of		Coppock made a	passed.	
Agenda		motion to approve the	_	
-		agenda.		
		Commissioner		
		McMahan seconded		
		and the motion		
		passed unanimously.		
Conflicts of Interest	Board Chair Herrin asked the	None noted.		
	attendees to state any conflicts of			
	interest with today's agenda.			
Comments and	Commissioners:			
Remarks	Commissioner Coppock			
	commended Arbor Health's journey			
	on wellness, promoting preventative			
	care and nurturing a healthy			
	community. Also, Commissioner			
	Coppock reiterated the importance			
	of being diligent during the			
	cold/flu/covid season and remaining			
	proactive for keeping our medical			
	staff, employees, and community			
	well. Commissioner McMahan			
	reiterated the importance of annual			
	reiterated the importance of annual checkup reminders for patients. He			
	reiterated the importance of annual checkup reminders for patients. He echoed covid hospitalizations are			
	reiterated the importance of annual checkup reminders for patients. He			

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	with information related to Lewis			
	County. Board Chair Herrin			
	extended a thank you to CNO/CQO			
	Sara Williamson for her years of			
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	service, especially during covid.			
	The Board will miss you.			
	CNO/CQO Williamson reiterated			
	this is a great team, an even better			
	hospital to work and wished the			
	Board success moving forward.			
	Audience: Van Anderson expressed			
	concern related to covid vaccine			
	availability at the clinics. Also,			
	Van shared the Order of Business			
	for Special Board Meetings was			
	incorrectly done at the April 18,			
	2023, Special Board Meeting			
	regarding Public Comment.			
	CNO/CQO Williamson shared			
	vaccine requests are being made			
	and triaged like before. The big			
	pharmacies will likely be prioritized			
	first, so the recommendation to			
	patients at this time is to go to			
	Walgreens, Walmart, etc.			
	Executive Assistant Garcia noted			
	the bylaws are in the packet for			
	review, so thank you for bringing to			
	the Board's attention. Public			
	Comment is optional and at the			
	discretion of the Board Chair.			
Executive Session-	Board Chair Herrin announced			
RCW 70.41.200,	going into executive session at 3:45			
RCW 70.41.205 &	p.m. for twenty minutes to discuss			
RCW 42.30.110	RCW 70.41.200-Medical			
(1)(i)	Privileging, RCW 70.41.205-			
	Quality Improvement Oversight			
	Report and RCW 42.30.100 (1)(i)			
	To discuss with legal counsel about			
	current or potential litigation with			
	Brad Berg, Foster Garvey PC. The			
	Board returned to open session at			
	4:05 p.m. Board Chair Herrin noted			
	no decisions were made in			
	Executive Session.			
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	Initial Appointments-	Coppock made a		
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DISCUSSION

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	 Arbor Health Quoc Ho, MD (Internal Medicine Privileges Radia Inc. Thomas Markel, MD (Consulting Radiology Privileges) Edmund Pillsbury III, MD (Consulting Radiology Privileges) Carter Yeatman II, MD (Consulting Radiology Privileges) 	motion to approve the Medical Privileging as presented, Secretary Olive seconded. The motion passed unanimously.	
Department Spotlight Deferred 	Board Chair Herrin noted scheduling conflict and rescheduling.		
Board Committee Reports Hospital Foundation Report 	Foundation Manager Scogin shared the Mammos and Mocktails event was another success with 22 patients. The AH Foundation float place 1 st in the Jubilee Parade. There were 37 participates in this years Color Run, lots of scheduling conflicts so collaborating better for next year. The Giftshop Yard Sale was successful. The AH Auction Dinner is October 7 th . The Hospital Support Agreement was approved. The changes included clarifying the Foundation is only to support Arbor Health Hospital and added a compliance layer of support that hospital resources can be used on the Foundation.		
• Finance Committee Report	Commissioner Coppock's finance update included summer fluctuations on the August financials with a more promising September. The 2024 budget process has been initiated with managers and being reviewed by leadership. Volume assumptions were presented and not expecting to change dramatically.		

AGENDA	DISCUSSION	ACTION	OWNER	DUE DATE

Consent Agenda	Board Chair Herrin announced the consent agenda items for consideration of approval: 1. Approval of Minutes a. August 30, 2023, Regular Board Meeting b. September 13, 2023, Quality Improvement Oversight Committee Meeting c. September 20, 2023, Finance Committee Meeting 2. Warrants & EFTs in the amount of \$3,672,982.23 dated August 2023 3. Approve Documents Pending Board Ratification 09.27.23 Nothing to report.	Commissioner Coppock made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and Commissioner Frady seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Minutes, Warrants and Resolutions will be sent for electronic signatures.	Executive Assistant Garcia	9.29.23
New Business	Board Chair Herrin noted per the	Review bylaws for	Board Chair	10.25.23
• Board Bylaws	bylaws it is time to review. The Board recommended reviewing the order of business format. Plan to approve the bylaws at the October Regular Board Meeting.	edits and adopt via resolution in October.	Herrin & Executive Assistant Garcia	
Board Policy and Procedure Review	 Board Chair Herrin presented the following policies/procedures for review and/or revision: 1. Commissioner Compensation for Meetings and Other Services-Marked a Revised. 2. Distribution of Board and Committee Packets-Marked as Reviewed. 3. Hospital Declaration of Personal Property as Surplus-Marked as Reviewed. 	Revise Commissioner Compensation for Meetings and Other Services by updating number five and removing number six. Add virtual option for webinars will be paid with board chair approval. Commissioner Coppock made a motion to approve the 2 nd & 3 rd P & P's and Secretary Olive seconded. The motion passed unanimously.	Board Chair Herrin & Executive Assistant Garcia	10.25.23

		Marked two of the three documents as Reviewed in Lucidoc.	Executive Assistant Garcia	09.29.23
Superintendent Report	Superintendent Mach shared a patient compliment, thank you Dr. Peresko.	Keviewed in Edeldoe.		
	 Superintendent Mach highlighted the memo in the packet and added the following updates: Excited to see the progress on 340B program and savings coming our way. Excited to share the Bulk O2 Tank has been installed. Excited to share we bought a home! Commissioner McMahan appreciates Superintendent Mach 			
	efforts in such a short time and excited for the future.			
Meeting Summary	Superintendent Mach highlighted			
& Evaluation	the meeting which included decisions made and action items.			
	Secretary Olive appreciated having the respectful discussion on the policy and procedure regarding compensation. Commissioner Frady shared it's easier to participate in person or on Zoom verses being on the phone, but good meeting. Commissioner Coppock noted seeing progress throughout the District. Commissioner McMahan noted feeling heard, good discussion and coming to good decisions. Board Chair Herrin appreciated good questions and diving into where commissioners are coming from. Superintendent Mach appreciates the open forum to learn			
	and understanding what is best for the District. Ultimately, providing great care for our patents.			
Break	Board Chair Herrin called for a 5- minute break at 4:47 p.m. The Board returned to open session at 4:52 p.m.			

AGENDA	DISCUSSION	ACTION	OWNER	DUE DATE

Guest Speaker	The Board revisited the adaptive		
Kurt O'Brien	leadership-core principles and using		
Consulting-	the form. Plan to postpone training		
Part 4	until December which is after		
	elections and the new board will be		
	known for moving forward.		
Adjournment	Commissioner Coppock moved and		
	Commissioner McMahan seconded		
	to adjourn the meeting at 5:38 p.m.		
	The motion passed unanimously.		

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Olive, Secretary

Date



LEWIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1 Finance Committee Meeting October 18, 2023, at 12:00 p.m. Via Zoom

Mission Statement To foster trust and nurture a healthy community.

<u>Vision Statement</u> To provide every patient the best care and every employee the best place to work.

AGENDA	DISCUSSION	ACTION	OWNER	DUE DATE
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Call to Order	Commissioner McMahan called the	Excused: Craig		
Roll Call	meeting to order via Zoom at 12:00	Coppock (Hunting),		
Excused/ Unexcused	p.m.	Clint Scogin		
Absences		(Conference) & Julie		
Conflicts of Interest	Commissioner(s) Present in Person or via Zoom:	Taylor (Conferences)		
	□ Craig Coppock, Commissioner	Unexcused Absences:		
	⊠ Wes McMahan, Commissioner	None		
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	Committee Member(s) Present in			
	Person or via Zoom:			
	🛛 Shana Garcia, Executive			
	Assistant			
	Cheryl Cornwell, CFO			
	⊠ Robert Mach, Superintendent			
	Marc Fisher, Community			
	Member			
	□ Clint Scogin, Controller			
	Sherry Sofich, Revenue Cycle			
	Director			
	⊠ Barbara van Duren, CNO/CQO			
	☐ Julie Taylor, Ancillary Services			
	Director			
Approval or		Superintendent Mach		
Amendment of		made a motion to		
Agenda		approve the agenda and		
		CFO Cornwell.		
		seconded. The motion		
		passed unanimously.		

AGENDA	DISCUSSION	ACTION	OWNER	DUE DATE

Conflicts of Interest	Commissioner McMahan asked the	None were noted.	
	Committee to state any conflicts of		
	interest with today's agenda.		
Consent Agenda	Commissioner McMahan	Community Member	
	announced the following in consent	Fisher made a motion	
	agenda up for approval:	to approve the consent	
	1. Review of Finance Minutes	agenda and	
	-September 20, 2023	Superintendent Mach	
	2. Revenue Cycle	seconded. The motion	
	3. Board Oversight Activities	passed unanimously.	
	Community Member Fisher		
	commented on the revenue cycle		
	challenges. Revenue Cycle		
	Director Sofich shared payer		
	pushback is an ongoing battle, but		
	the department continues to have		
	monthly meetings to dispute issues.		
Old Business	Inpatient & ED Director Evans		
• Financial	shared patient admissions and		
Department	patient days are below budget for		
Spotlight-	skilled swing bed. The decrease		
Skilled	may be caused by discharge		
Swing Bed	challenges, covid issues and		
	insurance authorizations. Referral		
	challenges include the fact that the		
	hospital uses phone and fax, which		
	is not the preferred method of most		
	discharging facilities. Case		
	Management does have access to		
	AIDA which is one avenue to		
	patients and placement. The		
	discharging facility wants electronic		
	systems which means attaining access to EPIC for the referral		
	management system is critical to		
	grow. The other challenge entails		
	transportation to the hospital and		
	when possible, Adventure Medics is		
	utilized. Again, the discharging		
	facility drives the process. Case		
	Management is being proactive on		
	ED patient transfers who will need		
	post-acute care.		
CFO	CFO Cornwell shared the following		
Financial	highlights:		
Review	1. September was a difficult		
10000	month with Inpatient,		
	Swing bed, Outpatient were		
	all below budget. ED &		
	Surgery are the bright spots.		
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	2. Income Statement shows			
	revenue below budget.			
	Experienced larger claims			
	in benefits so added			
	expense for the month, but			
	overall expenses continue			
	to be contained. Showing a			
	loss of \$410,772 MTD and			
	\$623,906 YTD.			
	3. Cash decreased by			
	\$1,469,895 to 40 days cash			
	on hand. September			
	showed lower in collections			
	although AR continues to			
	be steady and there were			
	three payrolls in September.			
	The summer months are			
	proving to be slow.			
	Expecting some bounce			
	back in October.			
• 2024	CFO Cornwell highlighted the			
Budget &	budget process noting the initial			
Schedule	budget projection comes from			
	Multiview which reflects past			
	performance. The reports are then			
	further reviewed by Cheryl, Clint,			
	Rob and the manager to ensure			
	budgets reflects current			
	performance and projections for			
	2024. Presented an updated income			
	statement and explained the			
	variances with reasons for changes.			
	It is a conservative budget with the			
	main goal of improving. The			
	projected bottom line allows the			
	District the ability to reinvest in			
	equipment and stay current.			
	Presented the five-year capital			
	budget and will continue to work			
	with managers to priorize.			
New Business	CFO Cornwell noted the District is	Receive board support	Executive	10.25.23
Signing	looking to update the signature	to add Rodney	Assistant Garcia	
Authority	cards to include Robert Mach.	Reynolds as a signer on		
	Arny Davis, County Treasurer is	the District Banking		
	recommending we add Rodney	Accounts.		
	Reynolds, Investment & Banking			
	Officer as a backup signer. The			
	Finance Committee supports			
	Superintendent Mach in making this			
	update and will recommend to the			
	Board.			
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Surplus or Dispose of Certain Property	CFO Cornwell presented the list of assets for surplus. The Finance Committee supports the resolution and will recommend approval at the Board level in Consent Agenda.	The Finance Committee supported requesting the Board's approval of a resolution of the Surplus at the Regular Board Meeting.	Executive Assistant Garcia	10.25.23
Meeting Summary & Evaluation	CFO Cornwell highlighted the decisions made and action items that need to be taken to the entire board for approval. Commissioner McMahan noted there is evidence during this meeting	0		
Adjournment	that everyone is working as a team and he appreciates everyone answering his questions. Commissioner McMahan adjourned			
Aujourinnent	the meeting at 1:04 pm.			

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WARRANT & EFT LISTING NO. 2023-09

RECORD OF CLAIMS ALLOWED BY THE BOARD OF LEWIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The following vouchers have been audited, charged to the proper account, and are within the budget appropriation.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify, under penalty of perjury, that the materials have been furnished, as described herein, and that the claim is a just, due and unpaid obligation against LEWIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1 and that I am authorized to authenticate and certify said claim.

Signed:

We, the undersigned Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 Commissioners, do hereby certify that the merchandise or services hereinafter specified has been received and that total Warrants and EFT's are approved for payment in the amount of

<u>\$3,952,220.47</u> this <u>25th</u> day

of October 2023

Board Chair, Tom Herrin

Secretary, Kim Olive

Commissioner, Wes McMahan

Commissioner, Craig Coppock

Cheryl Cornwell, CFO

Commissioner, Patricia Frady

SEE WARRANT & EFT REGISTER in the amount of \$3,952,220.47 dated September 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023.

Sep-23 ARBOR HEALTH WARRANT REGISTER

Routine A/P Runs

Warrant No.	Date	Amount	Description
131367 - 131409	1-Sep-2023	226, 028. 50	CHECK RUN
131410	1-Sep-2023	7, 600. 00	CHECK RUN
131412 - 131428	5-Sep-2023	31, 135. 35	CHECK RUN
131429 - 131474	11-Sep-2023	245, 967. 55	CHECK RUN
131475 - 131490	12-Sep-2023	833, 986. 81	CHECK RUN
131491	11-Sep-2023	1, 312. 25	CHECK RUN
131492 - 131556	15-Sep-2023	191, 018. 33	CHECK RUN
131557 - 131586	18-Sep-2023	144, 944. 11	CHECK RUN
131587 - 131588	5-Sep-2023	237.24	CHECK RUN
131589	11-Sep-2023	1,000.00	CHECK RUN
131590	13-Sep-2023	42.92	CHECK RUN
131591	21-Sep-2023	1, 375. 00	CHECK RUN
131592	18-Sep-2023	3, 706. 31	CHECK RUN
161593	19-Sep-2023	63.59	CHECK RUN
131594 - 131622	22-Sep-2023	190, 667. 44	CHECK RUN
131623 - 131638	25-Sep-2023	1, 151, 051. 12	CHECK RUN
131639	15-Sep-2023	15, 270. 67	CHECK RUN
131640	25-Sep-2023	345.48	CHECK RUN
131641	26-Sep-2023	166.14	CHECK RUN
131642	28-Sep-2023	243.58	CHECK RUN
131643 - 131663	29-Sep-2023	4, 499. 97	CHECK RUN
131664 - 131716	29-Sep-2023	355, 990. 42	CHECK RUN
131717 - 131722	29-Sep-2023	4, 231. 49	CHECK RUN
131737	26-Sep-2023	30, 066. 61	CHECK RUN
Total - Check Runs		\$ 3,440,950.88	

Error Corrections - in Check Register Order

Warrant No.	Date Voided	Amount	Description
123260	1-Sep-23	55.80	VOID CHECK
128422	7-Sep-23	45.00	VOID CHECK
128741	14-Sep-23	337.51	VOID CHECK
131026	18-Sep-23	130.00	VOID CHECK
126370	22-Sep-23	58.40	VOID CHECK
129324	26-Sep-23	821.43	VOID CHECK
130086	25-Sep-23	2, 362.00	VOID CHECK
129958	26-Sep-23	11, 904. 00	VOID CHECK
125506	25-Sep-23	134.76	VOID CHECK
125355	25-Sep-23	16.19	VOID CHECK
123180	29-Sep-23	325.00	VOID CHECK
TOTAL - VOIDED CHEC	CKS	\$ 16,190.09	

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VOIDS		Э	3,424,760.79

Eft	Date	Amount	Description
4767	5-Sep-2023	43.31	TPSC
4768	11-Sep-2023	503.06	TPSC
4769	18-Sep-2023	282.43	TPSC
1207	1-Sep-2023	168, 319. 16	IRS
1208	15-Sep-2023	172, 248. 74	IRS
1209	29-Sep-2023	169, 099. 44	IRS
4770	25-Sep-2023	773.45	TPSC
TOTAL EFTS AT SECU	RITY STATE BANK	\$ 511,269.59	

TOTAL CHECKS, EFT'S, &TRANSFERS

\$ 3,952,220.47

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LEWIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1 MORTON, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION DECLARING TO SURPLUS OR DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY

RESOLUTION NO. 23-20

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 owns and operates Arbor Health, a 25-bed Critical Access Hospital located in Morton, Washington, and;

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 feel that this is worthy,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 as follows:

That the equipment and supplies listed on Exhibit A, attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein, are hereby determined to be no longer required for hospital purposes. The Administrator is hereby authorized to surplus, dispose and/or trade in of said property upon such terms and conditions as are in the best interest of the District.

ADOPTED and APPROVED by the Commissioners of Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 in an open public meeting thereof held in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act this <u>25th</u> day of <u>October 2023</u>, the following commissioners being present and voting in favor of this resolution.

Tom Herrin, Board Chair

Kim Olive, Secretary

Wes McMahan, Commissioner

Craig Coppock, Commissioner

Patricia Frady, Commissioner

DISPOSAL/SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY

EXHIBIT A

DATE	DESCRIPTION	DEPARTMENT	PROPERTY #	DISPOSITION	REASON
10/10/2023	Ice Machine	Kitchen	5376	Surplus	Obsolete
10/11/2023	Vent Stand	Maintenance	5664	Surplus	No longer useful or required for hospital purposes

OLD BUSINESS

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RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDED BOARD BYLAWS

RESOLUTION NO. 23-21

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 owns and operates Arbor Health, a 25-bed Critical Access Hospital located in Morton, Washington, and;

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 feel that this is worthy,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 as follows:

Approving the amended board bylaws (order of business and grammatical edits).

ADOPTED and APPROVED by the Commissioners of Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 in an open public meeting thereof held in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act this <u>25th</u> day of <u>October 2023</u>, the following commissioners being present and voting in favor of this resolution.

Tom Herrin, Board Chair

Kim Olive, Secretary

Wes McMahan, Commissioner

Craig Coppock, Commissioner

Patricia Frady, Commissioner



AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS OF LEWIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1 (Revision date – <u>107/285/243</u>)

MORTON, WASHINGTON

ARTICLE I

FORMATION AND PURPOSE

This public hospital district (the "District"), a municipal corporation, was created in 1978 to provide hospital services for the residents of the District and other persons. The activities of the District shall be conducted in conformity with the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington, including RCW 70.44 and RCW 42.30, as now in effect and hereafter amended. These bylaws are adopted to further the lawful purposes of the District, which include providing quality hospital and other health care services appropriate to the needs of the population served, and to facilitate the governing of the District's hospital, clinics, emergency care, swing beds and other health care facilities, which shall be operated in compliance with applicable law and regulations. These bylaws shall be reviewed by the District at least once every two years and revised as appropriate.

ARTICLE II

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

<u>Section 1.</u> <u>Qualification and Election</u>. No person shall be eligible to be elected to the office of public hospital district commissioner unless he or she is a registered voter residing within the boundaries of the district and, if applicable, within the commissioner district from which he or she is elected. All district commissioners shall be elected and serve, whether from a particular commissioner district or at large, in the manner and for the term prescribed by law. All members of the board of commissioners (the "Board" or the "Commission"), whether elected or appointed, shall be required to take an oath of office in the form prescribed by the laws of the State of Washington relating to public officials. RCW 29A.04.133; RCW 70.44.040(2).

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Organization and Offices of the Board of Commissioners</u>. The Board shall by its first regular meeting in each calendar year organize by the election of, from its own members, a president, who shall be referred to as the Chair, and the Secretary, such election to be by a majority vote of the commissioners in each case. The terms of both officers shall be for one year. RCW 70.44.050.



2.1 Board Chair. The Board Chair shall act as the presiding officer at meetings of the Board.

2.2 <u>Secretary</u>. The Secretary shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, minutes of all regular and special meetings of the board, shall sign the same and shall keep or cause them to be kept in document management system for that purpose. In the absence of the Board Chair, the Secretary or designee may preside at board meetings. RCW 42.30.035.

2.3 <u>Absence of Chairperson and Secretary</u>. If neither the Board Chair nor the Secretary are present, a designee will be appointed by the Board Chair.

2.4 <u>Officer Vacancy</u>. If a vacancy occurs in the office of either the Board Chair or the Secretary, an election of officers shall take place at the next regular meeting of the board to fill the unexpired term created by the vacancy.

2.5 <u>Commissioner Vacancy</u>. A vacant commissioner position may be filled by the board appointing a new member in the manner prescribed by law. RCW 42.12.070; RCW 70.44.045.

2.6 <u>Forfeiture</u>. A commissioner shall forfeit his or her office by nonattendance at meetings of the commission for 60 days, unless excused by the commission or as otherwise provided in RCW 42.12.010. RCW 70.44.045.

Section 3. <u>Meetings of the Board of Commissioners</u>.

3.1 <u>All Meetings</u>. All meetings of the Board shall be open and public in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 42.30 RCW, and all persons shall be permitted to attend any meeting of the Board, except as otherwise provided by law. RCW 42.30.030. In the event that any meeting is interrupted by a group or groups of persons so as to render the orderly conduct of such meeting unfeasible, and order cannot be restored by the removal of individuals who are interrupting the meeting, the board may order the meeting room cleared and continue in session or may adjourn the meeting and reconvene at another location selected by majority vote of the board. In such a session, final disposition may be taken only on matters appearing on the agenda. Representatives of the press or other news media, except those participating in the disturbance, shall be allowed to attend any session held pursuant to this section. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the board from establishing a procedure for readmitting an individual or individuals not responsible for disturbing the orderly conduct of the meeting. RCW 42.30.050.

3.2 <u>**Regular Meetings.**</u> The Board shall provide the time for holding regular meetings by resolution. Unless otherwise provided for by law, meetings of the board need



not be held within the boundaries of the district. If at any time any regular meeting falls on a holiday, such regular meeting shall be held on the next business day or as determined by a vote of the Board. RCW 42.30.070. For the purposes of this section "regular" meetings shall mean recurring meetings held in accordance with a periodic schedule declared by resolution of the Board from time to time. The Board must make the agenda of each regular meeting of the governing body available online no later than twenty-four hours in advance of the published start time of the meeting. RCW 42.30.077.

3.3 Special Meetings. A special meeting may be called at any time by the Board Chair or by a majority of the members of the Board by delivering written notice personally, face to face, by phone, by mail, by fax, or by electronic communication to each member of the governing body. Notice of the special meeting shall be completed by any of the following: emailed to newspapers of general circulation of the District or to local radio or television station which are on file with the governing body a request to be notified of such special meeting or of all special meetings; posted on the Board's website, displayed on hospital or clinic readerboards and the meeting site if not at the principal location. Such notice must be delivered personally, by mail, by fax, by phone or by electronic communication at least twenty-four hours before the time of such meeting as specified in the notice. The notice shall specify the time, place of the special meeting either in person or virtual and the business to be transacted. The Board shall not take final disposition on any other matter at such meetings. Such notice may be dispensed with as to any member who at or prior to the time the meeting convenes files with the Secretary a written waiver of notice. Such waiver may be given by fax or electronic communication. Such written notice may also be dispensed with (i) as to any member who is actually present at the meeting at the time it convenes or (ii) as to any member who, prior to the time the meeting convenes, receives notice of the meeting by email and files a written consent to receive meeting notices by email. RCW 42.30.080.

3.4 <u>Budget Hearing</u>. The Superintendent shall prepare a proposed budget for the ensuing year and file the same in the records of the commission on or before the first day of November. Notice of the date and time of the budget hearing must be published for at least two consecutive weeks at least one time each week in a newspaper printed and of general circulation of the District. On or before the 15th day of November of each year, the board shall hold a public hearing on the district's proposed budget for the following year at which hearing any taxpayer may appear and be heard against the whole or any part of the proposed budget. Upon conclusion of the hearing, the commission shall, by resolution, adopt the budget as finally determined and fix the final amount of expenditures for the ensuing year. RCW 70.44.060 (6).

3.5 <u>**Emergency Meetings.**</u> If by reason of fire, flood, earthquake or other emergency, there is a need for expedited action by the Board to meet the emergency, the Board Chair may provide for a meeting site other than the regular meeting site and the



notice requirements of these bylaws shall be suspended during such emergency. RCW 42.30.070. The meeting notices required by these bylaws and chapter 42.30 RCW may be dispensed with in the event a special meeting is called to deal with an emergency involving injury or damage to persons or property or the likelihood of such injury or damage, when time requirements of such notice would make notice impractical and increase the likelihood of such injury or damage. RCW 42.30.080.

3.6 The Order of Business. It is at the Board Chair's decretion to make edits to the order of business on the agenda. Meetings of the commission shall be as follows:

a. <u>Regular Meetings</u>

- Call to Order
- •___Roll Call
- Excused/Unexcused Absences (Board Member(s))
- Reading the Mission & Vision Statements
- Approval or Amendment of Agenda
- Conflicts of Interest
- Comments and Remarks
- Executive Session as necessary
- Guest Speaker as necessary
- Department Spotlight Update as necessary
- Board Committee Reports
- Consent Agenda The Consent Agenda may include minutes of regular and special board meetings, minutes of board committees, and monthly warrants. Any board member or the Superintendent may request an item be removed from the consent agenda and placed as a separate item.
- Old Business
- New Business
- Superintendent's Report
- Executive Session as Necessary
- Meeting Summary & Evaluation
- Next Meeting Dates and Times
- Adjournment

b. Special Meetings

- Call to Order
- •___Roll Call
- Excused/Unexcused Absences (Board Member(s))
- Reading the Mission & Vision Statements



- Conflicts of Interest
- <u>Comments & Remarks</u>
- Reading of the Notice of Special Meeting
- Executive Session or Sessions as necessary
- Public Comment as necessary
- Consideration of Matters Stated in the Notice
- Action as necessary
- Adjournment

Section 4. Action by the Board. "Action" means the transaction of the official business of the Board including but not limited to receipt of public testimony, deliberations, discussions, considerations, reviews, evaluations, and final actions. "Final action" means a collective positive or negative decision, or an actual vote by a majority of the members of the board sitting as a body or entity, upon a motion or resolution. RCW 42.30.020(3). All proceedings of the Board shall be by motion or resolution recorded in the District's document management system. RCW 70.44.050. Minutes of all regular and special meetings, except executive sessions thereof, shall be promptly recorded and shall be open to public inspection. RCW 42.32.030. The Board shall not adopt any motion, resolution, rule, regulation, or directive, except in a meeting open to the public and then only at a meeting, the date of which is fixed by law or rule, or at a meeting of which notice has been given. Any action taken at meetings failing to comply with the provisions of this section shall be null and void. RCW 42.30.060(1). The Board shall not vote by secret ballot. Any vote taken in violation of this section shall be null and void and shall be considered an "action" within the meaning of this section and the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 42.30 RCW. RCW 42.30.060(2).

It shall not be a violation of the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 42.30 RCW, or these bylaws for a majority of the members of the board to travel together or gather for purposes other than a "regular meeting" or a "special meeting" as these terms are defined in the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 42.30 RCW, and these bylaws; provided, that they take no "action" as defined in this in the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 42.30 RCW, and these bylaws. RCW 42.30.070.

<u>Section 5.</u> <u>Executive Sessions</u>. Nothing contained in these bylaws may be construed to prevent the Board from holding an executive session during a regular or special meeting. RCW 42.30.110(1).

Before convening in executive session, the Board Chair shall publicly announce the purpose for excluding the public from the meeting place, and the time when the executive session will be concluded. The executive session may be extended to a stated later time by announcement of the Board Chair or of a designee. RCW 42.30.110(2).



An executive session may be held only for one or more of the purposes identified below or as otherwise permitted by RCW 42.30.110(1) or other applicable law:

- a. To consider matters affecting national security;
- b. To consider, if in compliance with any required data security breach disclosure under RCW 19.255.010 and 42.56.590, and with legal counsel available, information regarding the infrastructure and security of computer and telecommunications networks, security and service recovery plans, security risk assessments and security test results to extent that they identify specific system vulnerabilities, and other information that if made public may increase the risk to the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of agency security or to information technology infrastructure or assets;
- c. To consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price;
- d. To consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of decreased price. However, final action selling or leasing public property shall be taken in a meeting open to the public;
- e. To review negotiations on the performance of publicly bid contracts when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased costs;
- f. To receive and evaluate complaints or charges brought against a public officer or employee. However, upon the request of such officer or employee, a public hearing or a meeting open to the public shall be conducted upon such complaint or charge;
- g. To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee. However, subject to RCW 42.30.140(4), discussion by a governing body of salaries, wages, and other conditions of employment to be generally applied within the agency shall occur in a meeting open to the public, and when a governing body elects to take final action hiring, setting the salary of an individual employee or class of employees, or discharging or disciplining an employee, that action shall be taken in a meeting open to the public;
- h. To evaluate the qualifications of a candidate for appointment to elective office. However, any interview of such candidate and final action appointing a candidate to elective office shall be in a meeting open to the public;



- i. To discuss, with legal counsel representing the district, litigation or potential litigation to which the district, the board, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the district; provided, however, this exception does not permit the board to hold an executive session solely because an attorney representing the district is present. For purposes of this exception, "potential litigation" means matters protected by RPC 1.6 or RCW 5.60.060(2)(a) concerning: (A) litigation that has been specifically threatened to which the district, the board, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party; (B) litigation that the district reasonably believes may be commenced by or against the district, the board, or a member acting in an official capacity; or C) litigation or legal risks of a proposed action or current practice that the district has identified when public discussion of the litigation or legal risks is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the district:
- j. To conduct meetings, proceedings, and deliberations of the board, its staff or agents, concerning the granting, denial, revocation, restriction, or other consideration of the status of the clinical or staff privileges of a physician or other health care provider as that term is defined in RCW 7.70.020, if such other providers at the discretion of the board is considered for such privileges; provided that the final action of the board as to the denial, revocation, or restriction of clinical or staff privileges of a physician or other health care provider as defined in RCW 7.70.020 shall be done in public session. RCW 42.30.110; RCW 70.44.062; and;
- k. To conduct collective bargaining sessions with employee organizations, including contract negotiations, grievance meetings, and discussions relating to the interpretation or application of a labor agreement; or to conduct that portion of a meeting during which the governing body is planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in the negotiations or proceedings while in progress.
- 1. To review the report or the activities of a quality improvement committee established under RCW 70.41.200.

Section 6. Quorum. A majority of the persons holding the office of district commissioner shall constitute a quorum of the Board for the transaction of business, but no resolution shall be adopted without a majority vote of the whole Board. RCW 70.44.050.



<u>Section 7.</u> <u>Committees and Representatives</u>. The Board may from time-totime act as a committee of the whole or appoint such other committees, as it may deem necessary or advisable in the conduct of its affairs. The Board may from time to time choose to change committee appointments as needed. The activities of any committees so appointed shall be conducted lawfully and be recorded in written minutes. The Board Chair shall recommend to the board a commissioner as Board Chair of such committees to serve for terms not to exceed one year. The Superintendent will appoint an administrative staff person to support each board committee. Committees of the Board shall meet periodically as provided in these bylaws or as provided by resolution of the Board.

7.1 <u>Board Committees</u>. The designation, membership and meeting schedule of the standing committees of the Board shall be as follows:

Finance Committee: Two commissioners; Superintendent; CFO; CNO/CQO and such other members as the committee chair deems appropriate. The finance committee shall meet monthly and as needed.

Quality Improvement Oversight Committee: Two commissioners; Superintendent; CNO/CQO, Quality Manager; CMO; Chief of M-Staff; Ancillary Services Director; Nursing Leadership; Facilities Director<u>CFMO</u>; and such other members as the committee chair deems appropriate. The QIO committee shall meet minimally quarterly or as needed.

Plant Planning: Two commissioners; Superintendent; <u>Facilities DirectorCFMO</u>; CFO; CNO/CQO and such other members as the committee chair deems appropriate. The Plant Planning Committee shall meet one time each year and as needed.

Strategic Planning Retreat: All members of the Board; Superintendent; and such other members as the Board deems appropriate. The whole board will have a Strategic Planning Retreat every three years, unless otherwise advised by the Strategic Planning Committee. The whole board will meet once a year to have a focused discussion about the current Strategic and Implementation Plans and the committee's recommendations. Such meeting(s) shall be conducted as a Special Meeting of the Board in compliance with these Bylaws and Chapter 42.30 RCW.

Strategic Planning Committee: Two commissioners; Superintendent; community member guests; and such other members as the Board deems appropriate. The Strategic Planning Committee shall meet as needed.

Governance Committee: Two commissioners; Superintendent; and such other members as the committee chair deems appropriate. The Governance Committee shall meet biannually and as needed.



Compliance Committee: Two commissioners; Compliance Officer; Superintendent; CFO; CNO/CQO; Revenue Cycle Director; CHRO; and such other members as the committee chair deems appropriate. The Compliance Committee shall meet minimally one time each year and as needed.

Values, Ethics or Conflict of Interest: Other adhoc committee will be appointed by the Board and meet as needed.

The Board may volunteer district constituents for membership on committees based upon experience, willingness, and ability to contribute to the committee objectives. Committees shall act within board approved job descriptions.

7.2 <u>Board Representatives</u>. The designation and reporting schedule of the representatives of the board shall be as follows:

State Legislative Representative: One commissioner; and such other members as the board deems appropriate. The representative to the state shall report to the board only as needed.

Foundation: One commissioner. The representative to the Foundation shall report to the board as needed.

<u>Section 8.</u> <u>Powers and Duties of the Board or Commission</u>. The Board shall be the governing body to which the Superintendent, other district employees and the medical staff ultimately are responsible to for all facilities, services and activities of the District, including the condition of the physical plant. While the authority of the Board may be delegated to the Superintendent and the Medical Staff by resolution, any delegation of authority by the Board may be rescinded in its sole discretion, as provided for by law. RCW 70.44.090 (a)

All of the powers authorized in Chapter 70.44 RCW may be exercised by the board in the performance of its duties prescribed therein. Among other things, the Board shall strive to:

- (i) Adopt and review bylaws, at least once every two years, that address legal accountabilities and responsibilities;
- Determine the policies of the district and the purposes of the hospital and other district health care facilities and services in proper relation to community needs;



- (iii) Establish a program for the ongoing management of a hospital quality improvement program and malpractice prevention program, including medical staff sanction and grievance procedures and information collection and reporting procedures. The quality improvement program will review the services rendered in the hospital and other district health care facilities and other services in order to improve the quality of medical care of patients and to prevent medical malpractice;
- (iv) Exercise proper care and judgment in the selection of a qualified superintendent who shall be responsible for implementing policies adopted by the board;
- (v) Promote planning and coordinate professional interests with administrative, financial, and community needs, the policies of the district, and the purposes of the hospital and other district health care facilities and services;
- (vi) Provide for the periodic evaluation of the Superintendent;
- (vii) Provide for the periodic evaluation of the Board and its members;
- (viii) Provide facilities, equipment, and personnel to meet the needs of patients within the purposes of the hospital and other district health care facilities and services and consistent with present and future community needs;
- (ix) Establish and appoint a medical staff;
- (x) Assure that an appropriate standard of professional care is maintained, requiring the medical staff of the hospital to be accountable to the board;
- (xi) Assure that the medical staff possess appropriate current qualifications, and determine, in its discretion, which kinds of health care providers shall be considered for clinical privileges or medical staff membership;
- (xii) Approve bylaws, rules, and regulations as adopted by the medical staff before they become effective;



- (xiii) Provide for the sound administration and application of public funds, adopting annual budgets for the district and the Hospital at the times and in the manner required by law; and
- (xiv) Maintain accurate records of district finances and all related activities.

RCW 70.41.200

<u>Section 9.</u> <u>Avoidance of Conflicts of Interest</u>. District commissioners, being aware of the fiduciary nature of their positions, shall avoid actions and relationships that result in a conflict between their private financial interests and their public responsibilities. Commissioners shall not violate the conflict of interest provisions of these Bylaws, Chapter 42.20 RCW, Chapter 42.23 RCW or any other applicable law.

Recognizing that even the appearance of impropriety should be avoided, no commissioner shall:

- Be beneficially interested in or otherwise expect to profit from, directly or indirectly, any contract, sale, lease, or purchase made by the district, except as specifically permitted under RCW 42.23.030 or RCW 42.23.040, as now in effect or hereafter amended, or under other applicable law;
- (ii) Accept, directly or indirectly, any compensation, gratuity, favor, or award from any party seeking to do business with the District, or in connection with any contract made by the District, other than (a) compensation and reimbursement for expenses as provided by law, or (b) compensation in connection with contracts permitted under RCW 42.23.030, as now in effect or hereafter amended, or under other applicable law;
- (iii) Employ, use, or appropriate any district employee, money, or property for his private benefit;
- (iv) Hold any office, engage in any employment, or occupy any position, public or private, which could create conflicts between the duties, interests, and opportunities inherent in such office, employment, or position and the commissioner's public responsibilities as a member of the board;



(v) Reveal or divulge to any other party unless authorized by the board, any confidential information received in the performance of his duties as a commissioner, nor use such information for personal gain.

Any commissioner, upon discovering or suspecting that he has or may have a conflict of interest contrary to the policies and standards set forth in this section, shall promptly report the same to the board. In such cases, a commissioner shall take such action as may be required to comply with the provisions of these bylaws and applicable law, including, if required, abstaining from voting on the matter.

ARTICLE III

OTHER OFFICERS

Section 1. Superintendent.

1.1 <u>Appointment</u>. The Board shall select and appoint as Superintendent a competent and experienced hospital administrator who shall be its direct representative in the management of the District. The Superintendent shall be appointed for an indefinite term, removable at the will of the Board, and shall receive such compensation as the Board shall establish by resolution. The appointment or removal of the Superintendent shall be by resolution of the Board, introduced at a regular meeting and adopted at a subsequent regular meeting by majority vote. RCW 70.44.070.

1.2 <u>Powers and Duties</u>. The Superintendent shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the District. In direct charge with full authority to act, as representative of the Board, and subject to its policies, shall be responsible for the efficient administration of all affairs of the District. RCW 70.44.080.

In the performance of the duties prescribed by law, all of which shall be faithfully discharged, and not by way of limitation of authority, the Superintendent shall:

- (i) Carry out the orders of the Board and see that all the laws of the state pertaining to matters within the functions of the district are duly enforced;
- (ii) Perfect and submit to the board for approval a plan of organization for the personnel concerned with the operation of the District, which shall be reviewed annually;



- Prepare annually a budget or budgets showing anticipated receipts and expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year which shall be submitted to the Board to allow timely filing and hearing thereon before adoption as required by law;
- (iv) Select, employ, control, and discharge all other employees;
- (v) Assure that all building, equipment, and other facilities are maintained in good repair;
- (vi) Furnish periodic recommendations to the Board with respect to the acquisition, development, and extension of desirable health care facilities, equipment, and services, including estimates for the above;
- (vii) Supervise all business affairs including the disbursement of funds, recording of financial transactions, collection of accounts, and purchase and issue of supplies;
- (viii) Certify to the Board all the bills, allowances and payrolls, including claims due contractors;
- (ix) Recommend to the Board a range of salaries to be paid to district employees;
- (x) Cooperate with the Medical Staff and secure like cooperation on the part of all those concerned with rendering professional services;
- (xi) Submit regularly to the Board reports regarding the health care services and financial activities of the District along with any special reports that may be requested by the Board;
- (xii) Prepare the agenda and attend all meetings of the Board to participate in the discussion of matters being considered;
- (xiii) Execute on behalf of the District all contracts, agreements, and other documents and papers that he may be authorized by resolution of the Board to sign;
- (xiv) Undertake own initiative the performance of such other duties, consistent with law and the policies of the board, as may be in the best interest of the District.



RCW 70.44.090.

Treasurer. The Board shall appoint a person having experience in Section 2. financial or fiscal matters as the Treasurer for the District. The Board shall require the Treasurer to obtain a surety bond, with a surety company authorized to do business in the state of Washington, in an amount under the terms and conditions which the Board by resolution from time to time finds will protect the District against loss. The premium on any such bond shall be paid by the District. All district funds shall be paid to the Treasurer and shall be disbursed by only on warrants issued by an auditor appointed by the commission, upon orders or vouchers approved by it. The Treasurer shall maintain such special funds as may be created by the commission, into which he shall place all money as the commission may, by resolution, direct. If the Treasurer of the District is some other person, all funds shall be deposited in such bank or banks authorized to do business in this state as the commission by resolution shall designate, and with surety bond to the District or securities in lieu thereof of the kind, no less in amount, as provided in RCW 36.48.020 for deposit of county funds. Such surety bond or securities in lieu thereof shall be filed or deposited with the treasurer of the district, and approved by resolution of the commission. RCW 70.44.171.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Auditor</u>. The Board shall appoint as auditor of the District a person experienced in accounting and business practices. The Auditor shall report in the performance of his duties directly to the Superintendent. The Auditor shall draw, sign, and issue all warrants for the disbursement of funds of the District upon the orders of, or vouchers approved by, the commission; and shall be responsible in the performance of such other duties relating to business affairs of the district including the recording of financial transactions, collection of accounts, and the routine purchase and issue of supplies, as are assigned by the Superintendent. RCW 70.44.171.

ARTICLE IV

MEDICAL STAFF

<u>Section 1.</u> <u>Appointment and Organization</u>. The Board shall appoint the members of the Medical Staff of the Hospital biennially after considering recommendations duly submitted in accordance with the medical staff bylaws; provided that all initial appointments shall be provisional and that all appointments to the provisional medical staff shall be for a period of six (6) months. A single reappointment to the provisional medical staff may be permitted for another three-month period. Such bylaws, rules and regulations governing the appointment, organization, liability insurance coverage and activities of the medical staff, including procedures for the granting, denial, reduction,



or termination of staff privileges and the identification of the kinds of health care providers eligible to be considered for such privileges or medical staff membership, shall be subject to approval and revision or modification by the board. The board shall assure that the requirements of due process of law are observed. RCW 70.43.010

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Powers and Duties</u>. Each person admitted to the hospital shall be under the care of a member of the medical staff possessing clinical privileges, such medical staff also shall have authority and responsibility in the manner prescribed by its bylaws, rules and regulations to:

- (i) Evaluate the professional competence of medical staff members and applications for clinical privileges;
- (ii) Make recommendations to the board concerning initial medical staff appointments, reappointments, and the granting, denial, reduction, or termination of clinical privileges;
- (iii) Establish procedures designed to promote the achievement and maintenance of an appropriate standard of ethical and professional practice, and the efficient use of district resources;
- (iv) Participate in and offer recommendations in the development of policies relative to the effective use of existing facilities, and provision for the improvement or extension thereof where appropriate, to assure adequate patient care, responsive to the needs of the population served now and in the future;
- (v) Supervise a medical education program in the hospital and render such other services as the board may consider desirable to enhance the standards of medical practice in the hospital;
- (vi) Be accountable to the board for the proper discharge of the duties set forth in this section.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Professional Liability Insurance Coverage</u>. All practitioners who are granted medical staff privileges to practice within the hospital shall maintain liability insurance with limits of one million dollars per occurrence and three million dollars annual aggregate. Proof of coverage shall be the responsibility of the practitioner. The practitioner shall give the hospital thirty (30) days prior written notice of cancellation or termination of any such policy. The practitioner's insurance company must be: a) acceptable to the district, and b) licensed to underwrite malpractice insurance in the State



of Washington. These policy limits will be reviewed by the board annually and revised as appropriate.

ARTICLE V

INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

Section 1. **Indemnification**. The District shall indemnify and hold harmless to the full extent permitted by applicable law each person who was or is made a party to or is threatened to be made a party to, or is involved (including, without limitation, as a witness) in an actual or threatened action, suit or other proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a commissioner, officer, employee or agent of the district, or having been such a commissioner, officer, employee or agent, he or she is or was serving at the request of the district as a director, officer, employee, agent, trustee or in any other capacity of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, whether the basis of such proceeding is alleged action or omission in an official capacity or in any other capacity while serving as a commissioner, officer, employee, agent, trustee or any other capacity, against all expense, liability, and loss (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, ERISA excise taxes or penalties in amounts to be paid in settlement) actually or reasonably incurred or suffered by such person in connection therewith. Such indemnification shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a commissioner, officer, employee or agent of the district and shall inure to the benefit of his or her heirs, and personal representatives.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Insurance</u>. The District may purchase and maintain insurance, at its expense, to protect itself and any commissioner, officer, employee, agent or trustee of the District or another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any expense, liability or loss to the full extent permitted by applicable law.

ARTICLE VI

CONSTRUCTION AND CONVENTIONS

<u>Section 1.</u> <u>Gender and Number</u>. As used in these bylaws, personal pronouns shall be interpreted to refer to persons of either gender and relative words whenever applicable to more than one person shall be read as if written in the plural.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Titles, Headings and Captions</u>. The titles, headings, and captions appearing in these bylaws are used and intended for convenience of description or reference only and shall not be construed or interpreted to limit, restrict, or define the scope or effect of any provision.



<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of these bylaws or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of these bylaws or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

ARTICLE VII

AMENDMENT

These bylaws may be amended by resolution of the Board introduced at a regular meeting and adopted at a subsequent regular meeting.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 20213

Board Chair

Board Secretary

NEW BUSINESS

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Mossyrock Clinic 745 WILLIAMS STREET 360-983-8990 Randle Clinic 108 KINDLE ROAD 360-497-3333

Morton Hospital 521 ADAMS AVENUE 360-496-5112 Morton Clinic 531 ADAMS AVENUE 360-496-5145

To: Finance Committee & Board of CommissionersFrom: Robert Mach, Superintendent/CEODate: 10.18.23Subject: Introduce Proposed Budget

Timeline and Requirements:

October 25, 2023, Regular Board Meeting-Introducing Proposed Budget.

 Per RCW 70.44.060(6) the Superintendent will present the proposed district budget with the board on or before November 1st.

November 13, 2023, Special Board Meeting-Public Hearing-2024 Budget & Adoption.

- Per RCW 70.44.060(6) the Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed budget that must be held on or before November 15th.
- Notice of the proposed budget will be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper printed and of general circulation in the county.
 - Week of October 30th
 - \circ Week of November 6th
- The Board must adopt a budget for the following calendar year on or before November 15th.

November 27, 2023, Special Board Meeting-Public Hearing-Setting of the Property Tax Levy.

• Per RCW 84.55.120 the Board will hold a public hearing that includes the consideration of possible increases in property tax revenues.

Certification to the County:

 Per RCW 84.52.020 all taxing districts certify to the county legislative authority, budgets or estimates of the amounts to be raised by taxation on the assessed valuation of the property in the District. The District must file its budget and/or levy request with the clerk of the county on or before November 30th.





Arbor Health

2024 Budget

C	YTD - Sept	YTD - Sept		CY 2023	YTD Sept	2024		
	Actual	Budget	Last 4 Quarters	Budget	Annualized	Budget	Incr/(Decr)	% Chg
Inpatient Revenues	6,241,560	9,115,331	7,423,806	12,161,942	8,322,080	8,862,251	540,171	6.5%
Outpatient Revenues	32,651,570	30,965,640	41,467,070	41,422,451	43,535,426	46,114,728	2,579,302	5.9%
Clinic Revenues	4,547,068	5,116,202	5,782,938	6,827,441	6,062,757	7,036,330	973,573	16.1%
Gross patient Revenue	43,440,197	45,197,174	54,673,815	60,411,834	57,920,263	62,013,309	4,093,046	7.1%
Contractual Allowances	15,164,919	16,313,865	17,865,198	21,264,378	20,219,892	21,730,370	1,510,477	7.5%
Bad Debt & Bankruptcy	612,542	180,262	854,125	242,545	816,722	751,523	(65,199)	-8.0%
Financial Aid	471,517	472,295	773,916	608,980	628,689	647,198	18,508	2.9%
Other Adjustments	606,977	876,292	684,548	1,142,654	809,303	830,818	21,515	2.7%
Total Deductions	16,855,955	17,842,715	20,177,786	23,258,557	22,474,607	23,959,908	1,485,301	6.6%
	39%	39%	37%	39%	39%	39%		
Net Patient Revenues	26,584,242	27,354,459	34,496,028	37,153,276	35,445,656	38,053,401	2,607,745	7.4%
Other Operating Revenue	694,129	930,859	2,532,160	1,241,145	925,506	901,546	(23,960)	-2.6%
Total Operating Revenues	27,278,371	28,285,318	37,028,188	38,394,421	36,371,162	38,954,947	2,583,785	7.1%
Salaries & Wages	16,662,548	17,276,963	22,372,512	23,053,472	22,216,731	23,760,163	1,543,433	6.9%
Benefits	3,338,163	3,560,856	3,671,650	4,747,575	4,450,885	4,695,393	244,508	5.5%
Professional Fees	1,188,110	1,254,576	1,616,093	1,640,308	1,584,147	1,699,893	115,745	7.3%
Supplies	2,124,869	2,083,127	2,895,734	2,784,239	2,833,158	2,877,994	44,835	1.6%
Purchase Services	3,153,194	3,657,131	3,961,449	4,897,842	4,204,259	4,093,533	(110,726)	-2.6%
Utilities	365,616	394,863	561,819	562,930	487,487	495,305	7,817	1.6%
Insurance	274,648	276,253	342,144	368,338	366,197	393,227	27,030	7.4%
Other Expenses	451,467	596,775	673,672	741,895	601,956	648,612	46,656	7.8%
Depreciation	1,131,157	1,008,806	1,693,264	1,333,070	1,508,210	1,782,496	274,286	18.2%
Interest Cost	285,162	260,899	419,419	347,865	380,216	328,101	(52,115)	-13.7%
Operating Expenses	28,974,934	30,370,249	38,207,755	40,477,535	38,633,246	40,774,716	2,141,470	5.5%
Operating Income	(1,696,563)	(2,084,932)	(1,179,567)	(2,083,113)	(2,262,084)	(1,819,769)	442,315	19.6%
Non-Operating Activity	1,072,657	701,537	1,860,926	935,383	1,430,210	1,014,357	(415,853)	-29.1%
Net Income	(623,906)	(1,383,394)	681,359	(1,147,730)	(831,874)	(805,413)	26,462	3.2%
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Less Depreciation	1,782,496
Net cash flow	977,083
Debt payment	435,000
	542,083

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Arbor Health

2024 Fixed Assets Budget

Department	Description	Cost	Notes
Acute	Recliner Chairs - 3 SNF & 2 Bariatric	25,000	Our recliners are not comfortable to the patient, difficult for the nursing staff to assist patients getting into and out of.
Acute	ED Stretchers w/scale (4)	60,000	Stretchers are outdated, replacement parts not available. The scale is important to stroke and trauma patients (for medication amounts).
Acute	IV Pumps and poles - 6 units	10,000	1) Shortage of pumps on nursing units, may cause delay in patient care. Trend of sicker patients, require more pumps/IV drugs. 2) IV fluids running without pumps (safety and quality issue), delay in medication administration.
Acute	Hill Rohm Bed replacement program - 3 units	20,000	Our current bed systems are outdating. New beds would help improve the skin integrity of our patients and allow for bariatric patients
Acute	Hill Rohm overhead patient lifts	22,700	patient and staff safety
Acute	Rapid response stretcher	15,000	
Acute	Rapid infuser	20,000	
Acute	Interface Cerner and EKG machine	15,000	
Acute	update EKG machines		
Administration	Versa badge ED Physician Tracking	50,000	Will provide Real-Time Tracking of Physician in ED improving Margin on Cost Report
Administration	Redesign MOB 2nd Floor	150,000	requested by CEO- service growth
Clinic-Morton	Waiting Room Furniture	15,000	

Clinic-Mossyrock	Parking Lot Resurface	20,000	patient safety along with safety. Parking lot needs repairs and reseal
Clinic-Randle	Security Card Readers on Doors - Randle Clinic	15,000	Expansion of organizational security profile. Card readers increase security in the clinics since there are not keys that can be misplaced or stolen, and the card can be turned off immediately if needed.
Clinic-Randle	New HVAC at clinic replace R22 Green Impact		Unit past its lifecycle. Causing interruption of services. needs replaced r-22 phase out/life cycle
Clinic-Randle	Office Furniture	25,000	2029
Dietary	Walk-in Cooler & Freezer	50,000	We have an issue with condensation that is causing the walls to separate from the frame and mold is grow on the inside and the outside. This is a safety, compliance and regulation issue
Dietary	Kitchen equipment	40,000	Gas range, convection oven, dishwasher,garbage disposal,ice machine
Dietary	Hood over stove	35,500	The equipment is old and will need to be replaced.
Emergency	Gurney - 2 units Stryker Big Wheel Stretcher	20,000	Our current gurneys are outdated and replacement parts are not available. At this point if another gurney breaks down we will not have a gurney for our 5th patient in the ED.
Emergency	Rapid Infuser	20,000	
Emergency	Remodel - expand		
Emergency	Tele SANE		
Emergency	Telehealth expansion - components	50,000	Telehealth in the ED would be beneficial to our community, it would expedite this care.
Environmental Svcs	Washers & Dryers	<mark>37,304</mark>	end of life

Environmental Svcs	Curtains for patient rooms	10,881	worn out
Imaging	General Ultrasound/Echo unit	180,000	age
Imaging	Portable Echo/US unit	50,000	additional services/revenue
Imaging	DEXA/	80,000	additional services/revenue
Imaging	Full size C-Arm	200,000	additional services/revenue
Imaging	ISTAT - creatinine POC	5,000	convenience
Imaging	Mammo unit	350,000	within 5 years, replacement
Imaging	MEDRAD P3T injector for PE/General/Mammo	15,000	additional services/revenue
ΙΤ	Mossyrock re-wire	65,000	Mossyrock Wiring closet is exterior to building and in unconditioned space. Organizational security risk. Need to create internal IT closet and repull cable to new point.
IT	Randle re-wire	25,000	
IT	Security Camera - wireless		Expansion of organizational security profile. Risk mitigation and improvement of system. Current system is approaching end of life
ΙΤ	FM 200 Fire Suppression	50,000	Risk mitigation issue. Protection of current equipment preventing down time.
IT	Server replacement	250,000	Virtual Host Hardware is end of life
п	Server licensing		Microsoft Data Center edition from CDWG
IT	Workstation replacements	270,000	rolling replacement of workstations in preparation for Wn11, over two year period
IT	Desktop OS Licensing	25,000	keeps desktop operating systems current 2025
ΙΤ	Copy machine replacements		replace Xerox with Sharp, reduce monthly lease costs
ІТ	Monitoring/Support software	10,000	added to anticipate offset with Intrinium contract negotiation

IT	Phone system call recording capability	12,000	Regulatory concern for staff functioning in call
			center roles. Can be expanded to devices.
			Will require expansion of phone system
			storage in future.
IT	Wireless Network Upgrade	75,625	replace all wireless infrastructure
Lab	Hematology analyzer and blood bank centrifuge		nearing end of life
Maintenance	Fire Alarm Panel	41,504	parts obsolete for panel. Life safety issue
			along with compliance.
Maintenance	Hospital Parking lots resurface	57,135	patient safety along with safety. Parking lot
			needs repairs and reseal
Maintenance	HVAC units to replace	100,000	51 units, most are 15 yo, some are much older
			replace over 4 yrs, 100k per year
Maintenance	Acute Flooring	150,000	flooring needed due to flooring lifecycle and
			flooring starting to deteriorate
Maintenance	New Sign for Hospital	25,500	standardization of organization profile
Maintenance	New Sign for Mossyrock Clinic	12,500	no sign now
Maintenance	Flooring throughout hospital		to do in phases
Maintenance	MOB and hospital flat roof		
Maintenance	Chiller		within next 5 years
Maintenance	Pool Pak, heat pump, re-tile	60,000	
Maintenance	Boiler		
Maintenance	Handrail and bench to PT entrance		
Maintenance	backhoe or skid steer for snow		
Maintenance	Storage shed for Randle Clinic		
Maintenance	replace non Ford vehicles with Fords		in town parts and maintenance
Maintenance	Negative pressure rooms		
Maintenance	remove yellow trailer, create parking		
Maintenance	Demolish 6th st hourse, bld storage building		
Pharmacy	Pixis		future of compounding, is immediate use, not
			using hood
Purchasing	Cargo van for deliveries	40,000	replace ageing vehicle, more space

Rehabilitation	Solo step, overhead patient harness system	17,000	This item assists with rehabilitation by providing a significant enhancement to or rehab program esp. our swing bed neuro program. It will help provide a much safer environment for our staff and our patients to prevent falls and injuries when performing therapeutic functional activities.
Rehabilitation Rehabilitation	Remodel department Overhead patient safety harness system		long term
Rehabilitation	3 to 5 treatment tables	15,000	
Rehabilitation	Treadmill - clinic grade	9,500	
Rehabilitation	Motion analysis system		video for patient analysis, could be longer term
Respiratory	Trilogy v60 Ventilator - 1 units	18,000	We currently have one Trilogy Ventilator and with the increase of respiratory patients a second trilogy would help us properly ventilate our patients. At this time we have the one Trilogy and when it's in use we are unable to place another patient on CPAP/BiPAP.
Sterile Processing Sterile Processing Sterile Processing	Steric Endoscopy processing machine instrument washer/ with dryer update plumbing		if ortho need dedicated source and heating of water
Surgery Surgery Surgery Surgery	Neptunes OR lights OR bed Ultrasound		fluid safety and removal in next 5 years will need to be replaced in next 5 years will need to be replaced for anesthesia providers to use, if the ER unit
			goes down, we will have to quickly replace

Surgery	Endoscopy Dilators	7,500 Currently the dilators we have are at end of useful life and need to be replaced. If do not replace them our Dr.'s will not be able to perform Esophageal dilations.
	Total	3,151,699
All	Critical for 2024	647,010



<u>LEWIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1</u> <u>MORTON, WASHINGTON</u>

RESOLUTION DELEGATING OPERATIONAL AUTHORITY TO SUPERINTENDENT TO MANAGE SIGNING AUTHORITY ON DISTRICT ACCOUNTS

RESOLUTION NO. 21-27

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 owns and operates Arbor Health, a 25-bed Critical Access Hospital located in Morton, Washington, and;

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 feel that this is worthy,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 as follows:

Delegating operational authority to the Superintendent to manage signing authority by position on District bank account(s). RCW 70.44.171

This Resolution supersedes RES-20-04, RES-20-05 & RES-20-06.

ADOPTED and APPROVED by the Commissioners of Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 in an open public meeting thereof held in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act this <u>28th</u> day of <u>July 2021</u>, the following commissioners being present and voting in favor of this resolution.

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Trish Frady, Board Chair

Craig Coppock Craig Coppock (Aug 11, 2021 07:02 PDT)

Craig Coppock, Commissioner

Tom Herrin Tom Herrin (Aug 9, 2021 17:29 PDT)

Tom Herrin, Secretary

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Wes McMahan, Commissioner

Chris Schumaker (Aug 11, 2021 07:15 PDT)

Chris Schumaker, Commissioner



MEMORANDUM

From: Richard Boggess

Date: July 14, 2021

Re: Bank Account Signers

On a regular basis Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 reviews the signers on the banking accounts. Historically, the signers have consisted of one or more board members, Superintendent/Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and the lead nurse executive. RCW 70.44.171 provides that "all district funds shall be paid to the treasurer and shall be disbursed by him or her only on warrants issued by an auditor appointed by the commission, upon orders or vouchers approved by it." Our attorney has indicated that in his experience one or more members of the finance department are designated as auditor and have signing authority. Our current Treasurer is Arny Davis. Our current Auditor is Clint Scogin, Controller.

The District's main account is located at Columbia Bank and is managed by the Lewis County finance team lead by Treasure Arny Davis. There is no local branch of Columbia Bank in the District, therefore, the District uses Security State Bank as an intermediate bank from which funds are transferred to Columbia on a regular basis. There are five accounts at this bank for various purposes.

The purpose of this document is to affirm in Committee and by Board resolution that the signers on the account are the following based on role:

Role	<u>Current held by</u>
Superintendent	Leianne Everett
Chief Financial Officer	Richard Boggess
Controller	Clint Scogin - new
Treasurer	Voted position in Lewis County
	Arny Davis

Columbia Bank

• Account #1234 – Main Operating Account

Security State Bank

• Deposit Account #4501289170







360-496-5112

360-496-5145

- Payroll Account #4501289171 ٠
- Custodial Trust Account #4501289172
- Prescription Account #4501289173
- Outsource Collection Account #4501289174

It recommendation to the Board to delegate operational authority to manage the signers on the banking account to the Superintendent. Resolution to follow with recommendation.







RESOLUTION APPROVING TO ADD CCO & REMOVE CNO SIGNATURES ON ACCOUNTS ESTABLISHED FOR LEWIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1

RESOLUTION NO. 20-04

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 owns and operates Arbor Health, a 25-bed Critical Access Hospital located in Morton, Washington, and;

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 feel that this is worthy,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Lewis County Hospital District No. 1

as follows:

WHEREAS, Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 has established certain accounts for Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 and,

WHEREAS, the following named positions will be added as authorized signatures on accounts: 4501289170 Transfer, 4501289171 Payroll & 4501289174 HRG. In addition, checks will require two signatures to be approved, as an internal policy only. The Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 recognizes that banks do not monitor nor offer two signature required accounts.

- 1. Chief Executive Officer
- 2. **Chief Financial Officer**
- 3. Chief Clinical Officer
- 4. Board Chair
- 5. **Board Secretary**
- Lewis County Treasurer or Assignee 6.

That the positions listed below are hereby authorized to open new accounts, close existing accounts and make changes as needed to existing accounts. Such changes to the accounts shall require two of the four listed below to open, close or make changes to accounts.

- 1. Chief Executive Officer
- 2. **Chief Financial Officer**
- 3. **Chief Clinical Officer**
- 4. **Board Chair**

ADOPTED and APPROVED by the Commissioners of Lewis County Hospital District Np. 1 in an open public meeting thereof held in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act this 22nd day of January 2020, the following commissioners being present and voting in favor of this resolution.

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Wes McMahan, Commissioner

Tom Herrin, Commissioner

enton Smith, Secretary

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RESOLUTION APPROVING TO ADD CCO & BOARD CHAIR & REMOVE CNO SIGNATURES ON TRUST & PRESCRIPTION ACCOUNTS ESTABLISHED FOR LEWIS COUNTY HOSPITAL **DISTRICT NO. 1**

RESOLUTION NO. 20-05

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 owns and operates Arbor Health, a 25-bed Critical Access Hospital located in Morton, Washington, and;

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 feel that this is worthy,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Lewis County Hospital District No. 1

as follows:

WHEREAS, Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 has established certain accounts for Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 and,

WHEREAS, the following named positions will be added as authorized agents on the Trust account #4501289172 with powers to endorse checks:

- 1. Accountant
- 2. Controller

The following named positions will be added as authorized agents on the Prescription Drug account #4501289173 with powers to withdraw via check or debit card:

- 1. Accountant
- 2. Case Manager(s)

Two of the four named positions will be required to open, close or make changes to the accounts:

- 1. **Chief Executive Officer**
- 2. **Chief Financial Officer**
- **Chief Clinical Officer** 3.
- 4. Board Chair

ADOPTED and APPROVED by the Commissioners of Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 in an open public meeting thereof held in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act this 22nd day of January 2020, the following commissioners being present and votine in favor of this resolution.

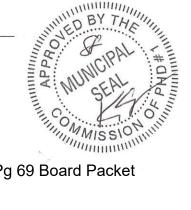
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Wes McMahan, Commissioner

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RESOLUTION APPROVING TO ADD CCO & BOARD CHAIR & REMOVE CNO SIGNATURES ON INTERNET BANKING ACCOUNTS ESTABLISHED FOR LEWIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1

RESOLUTION NO. 20-06

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 owns and operates Arbor Health, a 25-bed Critical Access Hospital located in Morton, Washington, and;

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 feel that this is worthy,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Lewis County Hospital District No. 1

as follows:

WHEREAS, Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 has established certain accounts for Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 and,

WHEREAS, the following named persons will be added as authorized supervisors of the Internet banking accounts; 4501289170 Transfer, 4501289171 Payroll, 4501289174 HRG 4501289172 Trust & 4501289173 Prescription:

- 1. Chief Executive Officer
- 2. **Chief Financial Officer**
- **Chief Clinical Officer** 3.
- **Board Chair** 4.
- 5. Controller

Such changes to the Internet banking accounts shall require two of the four listed above to

make changes.

ADOPTED and APPROVED by the Commissioners of Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 in an open public meeting thereof held in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act this 22nd day of January 2020, the following commissioners being present and voling in favor of this resolution.

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Wes McMahan, Commissioner

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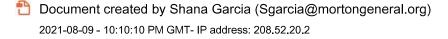
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Final Audit Report

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Policy : Commissioner Compensation for Meetings and Other Services

Policy:

The Board created a policy for Commissioner Compensation for meetings and other services.

Purpose:

The purpose is to provide understanding in the compensation for Commissioners services rendered to the District.

Procedure:

A Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 Commissioner will be compensated, under RCW.70.44.050, for the following meetings and services:

- 1. Each commissioner shall document their time with a (1) in the time and attendance system for each day or portion of a day spent in attendance doing official district business.
- 2. All regular, special and adhoc meetings of the Board.
- 3. All committee meetings of committees set forth in the Hospital District By-laws.
- 4. All administration meetings requiring commissioner participation, ie. audits, consultants.
- 5. Educational meetings in person or virtual will be paid and one travel stipend day per conference. Education will be approved by the Board Chair.
- 6. A meeting per month either in person or remotely to set either Special or Regular board meeting agenda(s) with Superintendent and/or Executive Assistant.
- 7. A maximum of two meetings per month either in person or remotely between the Board Chair and the Superintendent to conduct hospital business.
- 8. Any day of service to the District not included in this policy may be compensated with approval of the Board.

- Committees: - Signers: Herrin, Tom

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Policy & Procedure : Board E-Mail Communication

Purpose:

The following communication policy is adopted to enhance and improve communications by and between Board members and Administration.

Policy:

The Board of Commissioners of Lewis County Hospital District No.1 shall maintain a district email communication policy.

Procedure:

- 1. All email to and from board members shall be subject to Arbor Health's Electronic Mail Usage Policy, Document ID: 10115.
- 2. All board members will refrain from including any response or opinion in emails that may be construed as a serial board meeting.
- 3. All board member emails will be maintained on the district servers for the duration required by the Public Records Act.

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Policy & Procedure : Board Meeting Teleconference

Policy:

It is the policy of Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 that the Board can participate virtually or by teleconference for board meetings.

Procedure:

The Board may attend Regular, Special and/or Committee Meetings via the following guidelines:

- 1. The Board will comply with the OPMA regulations.
- 2. Virtual and/or teleconference meetings will be permitted when at least one Board Member or the Superintendent are present at the established meeting place.
- 3. The Board is able to conduct board business i.e., motions and votes.
- 4. The Board Chair will conduct the meeting ensuring that each board member can hear and be heard.
- 5. The Board meeting access information will be distributed via any of the following:
 - a. Board Notices
 - b. Board Agendas
 - c. Board Packets
 - d. Arbor Health Website
 - e. Arbor Health Facebook Page

In a state of emergency, the Board will adhere to the Governor's Proclamations.

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Policy & Procedure : Board Mobile Device Management

Policy:

It is the policy of Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 that the Board of Commissioners shall not send or receive electronic communications during a board meeting concerning any matter pending before the board.

Procedure:

Commissioners should:

- 1. Not use electronic communcation devices to review or access information regarding matters not in consideration before the board during a board meeting.
- Only use the internet during meetings to access the board agenda packet information, board resource documents, including but not limited to board policies, the bylaws, Robert's Rules of Order or other research relevant to the discussion.
- Make every effort to refrain from sending or receiving electronic communication of a personal nature during board meetings. It may sometimes be neccessary to send or receive urgent/emergency family or business communications during meetings.

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SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

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Lewis County Hospital District #1 – Superintendent's Report – October 25, 2023

- 272 Flu shots given out at our Flu clinic on 10/04/2023.
- Annual Foundation auction on 10/7/2023 was a great success.
- Met with Lewis County treasury department on 10/4/2023 as a meet and greet and discuss collaboration.
- Attended Packwood 6-month checkup community event.
- WSHA suing the state regarding elimination of Geographic restrictions removal from policy.
- Kick off with CPS on getting our 340B program.
 - Morton Clinic was not signed up as participating.
- Continuing to fine tune 2024 budget for presentation in November
- CEO and CNO attended WSHA annual meeting 10/22-10/24.
- Dr. Ho started 10/10/2023 and already has patients.
- Met with Olympia Orthopedics on 10/13; we continue to make progress on Orthopedic Coverage for our community.
 - OOA is putting together a contract for our review.
 - Working out details as a referral site for Neurosurgery (Call planned with Dr. McCurry).
- Attended the Centralia College East Advisory Committee meeting on 10/18
 - Discussed opportunities to partner with us in educating future Health care professionals.
 - Nursing, Lab, X-ray, Facilities, Respiratory, food and nutrition, Rehab, Business office, Coding, Medical assisting, IT, etc...

Strategic Initiative	Executive Owner	Leader	Team	Due Date	Ideas/action items	Completion Date
Identify and Implement new expanded services to attract patients	Rob Mach	Rob Mach		4Q 2023	MRI	
					Dialysis (Not financially Feasable)	
					Wound care expansion	
					Chronic care management	

Increase Swing Bed ADC by 1	Sara Williamson	Sara Williamson	LeeAnn Evans Jen Neely	4Q 2023	August - Jen and Rob visit to Providence Chehalis
					June: Case Manager established first name relationships with Wellcare and
					UHC thus expediting payor authorizations.
					July: Case Manager Jen Neely consistently following up on Home Health
					referrals for continued communications.
					August: Case Manager Jen Neely, aggressively pursuing personal relationships
					with referral agencies/hospitals
					August: Case Manager focus at IDT meetings to convert inpatients to skilled
					status for ongoing rehab needs.

Recruit Surgeon	Rob Mach	Rob Mach	4Q 2025	Engage with recruitment agency (Curative)	

Expand rapid care to 6 days	Dr McCurry	Dr. McCurry	4Q 2023	Recruit Mid-level provider	
				Engaged with Curative	
				August - Interviewing candidate	

Implement Labor productivity	Shannon Kelly	Shannon Kelly	Cheryl Cornwell Shannon Kelly Clint Scogin	4Q 2023	Working on tool now
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		Planned go live by Jan 2024	

Develop and maintain 5 year Capital plan	Cheryl Cornwell	Clint Scogin Teresa Thornton	4Q 2023	Contingency capital purchase <20% of capital budget	

Complete facility master plan	Matthew Lindstrom	Matthew Lindstrom	C-Suite Will Sullivan	4Q 2024	Mathew met with company on 10/12	
			Rob Mach			

Establish 3 year IT infrastructure plan	Rob Mach	Jim Frey	4Q 2023		
				August developed plan	

Ensure continuous compliance with federal interoperability requirements	Rob Mach	Jim Frey	Open	Multi-factor authentication	
				self-service password reset	
				Strengthen cybersecurity policy	

Strategic Initiative	Executive Owner	Leader	Team	Due Date	Ideas/Action items	Completion date
Reduce traveler/contracted staff usage by 50%	Shannon	Shannon	Managers	Q4 2024	August - Working with Indeed to increase visibility	
					September - Hiring 3 permanent RN's	

Become Employer of Choice in East Lewis County	Shannon	Shannon	Katelin Forrest	Q2 2023	September - Rolling out Emloyalty program	
			leadership team			
			managers			

Partner with local high schools to promote healthcare careers	Shannon	Katelin	Mangers	Q2 2024	Patipate in career days at local high schools	

Partner with colleges to provide alternative education paths for healthcare careers	Shannon	Shannon	Laura Glass	Q4 2024	
			Katelin Forrest		
			LeeAnn Evans		
			CNO		

Establish discount programs for employees	Cheryl	Cheryl	Shannon	03 2024	Contracted with Solv as our new insurance added discount programs for employees

e Broker which has	

Establish an employee recruitment and retention committee to identify retention and engagement opportunities	Shannon	Shannon	Cheryl	Q4 2023	
			Diane Markham		
			Katelin		
			Mangers		

Develop a wage and benefit structure that is competitive with the local market and competition	Shannon	Shannon	CEO & CFO	Q2 2024	

Strategic Initiative	Executive Owner	Leader	Team	Due Date	Ideas/Action items	Completion date
Recruit psychiatrist	Rob Mach	Rob Mach		1Q 2025		

Expand LICSW/Therapy services	Rob Mach	Rob Mach		August - Discussions with CIHS to bring services to entire east Lewis community	
				moving PT LICWS to full time	

Develop regional partnerships with behavioral care facilities	Rob Mach	Rob Mach	4Q 2024	Investigating collaboration with Cascade Community Healthcare & their HRSA grant (RCORP Partnership) for Medication Assisted Therapy (MAT) access points and Substance Use Disorder issues.	
				Cascade Crisis Stabilization/Triage Unit for voluntary patients in need of crisis stabilization behavioral essives. Information to access services shared with medical staff and ED.	
				Contracts signed with CHIS and Cascade	

Implement streamlined check-in/registration system for all patient encounters (Phreesia)	Cheryl Cornwell	Sherry Sofich	1Q 2024	August - IT working with Phreesia to implement streamline check- in/registration	

Implement Medicare Coordination program	Julie Taylor	Julie Taylor	Char Hancock, Jamie Brazil, Tiffany Transue	2Q 2024	Staff hired and working on Care coordination	
Go live planned for September 4th, 2023						

Employ 2 measures for improved clinic access	lulie lavior	Char Hancock	Char Hancock, Jamie Brazil, Tiffany Transue	1Q 2024	Hired Dr. Ho and is onsite and working October	

Develop and implement 4 improvement strategies from patient experience surveys	Sara Williamson	Julie Johnson	Julie Johnson LeeAnn Evans Nicholas Tyler Char Hancock Jamie Brazil Julie Taylor	40 2023	Review 2Q 2023 Data for improvement opportunities & establish baseline	Ongoing
					Focus on allowing patient family members to be with the patient in ED	
					Improve Pharmacy Discharge Patient Medication Education	

Achieve successful NIAHO reaccreditation and maintain acute stroke ready certification annually	Sara Williamson	Julie Johnson	Julie Johnson LeeAnn Evans Nicholas Tyler Laura Glass	4Q 2023 & 4Q 2024		
					Continued focus on improving door to CT, Lab, etc. metrics	

		Updating our metrics to newly released DNV standards	

Partner or develop a regional OP transportation service	Julie Taylor		2Q 2024	August - Reginal meeting held to discuss Transportation	

Initiate and complete management review for initial ISO project	Sara Williamson	Julie Johnson	C-Suite QIO Committee Internal Audit Team	4Q 2024	August - ISO 9001 In the works	
					Standardized Workflows and Internal Audits on track for year-end goal.	
					Medical Staff and Hospital Committee structures refined so that Pl and projects now flow to Senior Leadership, QIO, and Medical Staff Leadership consistently.	
					DNV Nonconformities and OFI's, along with DOH Survey findings, are consistently being resolved/closed.	

Complete 2 internal audits	Sara Williamson	Julie Johnson	Internal Audit Team	2Q 2024	Internal Audit Team Training	2/14-16/2023
					02/27/23: Code Red Process Started	4/20/2023
					05/22/23: IT - Standardizing New Hire Software Access Started	
					07/26/23: Lab Resulting to Non-Arbor Providers Started	

Receive ISO 9001 stage 2 certification	Sara Williamson	C-Suite QIO Committee Internal Audit Team	4Q 2024	August - ISO 9001 In the works	
				Standardized Workflows and Internal Audits on track for year end	

Implement 2 new service lines for the community	Julie Taylor	Julie Taylor	Char Hancock Jamie Brazil	1Q 2025		
		Julie Taylor	Robert Hauser		Full time MRI	
			Char Hancock			
		Julie Taylor	Jamie Brazil			
			Dr. Park-Hwang			
					Chronic care management	

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Strategic Initiative	Executive Owner	Leader	Team	Due Date	Ideas/Action items	Completion date
Identify and partner with external groups to support youth based outreach	Rob Mach				August - Discussions with CIHS to bring services to entire east Lewis community	

Implement school based school physicals	Julie Taylor	Jamie Brazil	Char Hancock Jamie Brazil Dr. Podbilski	4Q 2023	Completed/Hardwired	2Q 2023

Develop annual youth safety events for schools	Rob Mach		2Q 2024	

Partner with Lewis county early childhood education and other wellness groups to create ongoing connections with providers	Rob Mach		Q2 2024	

Identify and align with external groups to support wellness focused outreach	Rob Mach		Open	Sep - meeting with veterans group to promote hospital and clinic and how we can work together to provide care	

Organize community education opportunities to enhance community awareness of Arbor health	Rob Mach		Open	Mossyrock run	
				Kickball game	
				Wellness Week events	
				Color run	

Continue senior fitness program	Rob Mach	Edwin Mil Hausen	Open	Starts August 23	

Sponsor Packwood 5K, Mossyrock 5k, 5k color run, wellness week	Rob Mach	Edwin Milhausen	Open	Completed	
		Diane Markham			
		Jessica Scoggin			

Include health literacy focus at community resource fairs	Rob Mach	Diane Markham	Open	Mossyrock 5K	
				Wellness week discussions/Ted talks	

Develop educational programs and partner with Molina on medical literacy	Rob Mach		Open	working thru Rural collabrative in MCO with

Participate in annual Latino community event in Mossyrock	Rob Mach		Open	

Implement a diabetes education and outreach program	Julie Taylor	Tiffany Transue	1Q 2025	RN hired, needs to get 1000 hours to achieve certification	

Mollina	

Partner with area organizations to address district food insecurity and homelessness programs	Rob Mach		2Q 2024	

Implement a community cardiac and/or pulmonary disease program	Sara Williamson	LeeAnn Evans	LeeAnn Evans Janice Kelly	4Q 2024	

The Role of Advocacy in Hospital Board Governance

By DOUG FLORKOWSKI

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All too often hospital board members are so caught up with the day-to-day challenges of trying to survive in today's healthcare environment that they lose sight of their ability to personally impact their hospital at a local, state, and federal level.

Advocating for your hospital is not an option: it's a necessity. We expect hospital administration and employees to be able to speak of their commitment to the community, the quality of healthcare that is being delivered, and the overall impact we have on our community economically. The same holds true for the board of trustees. Being able to communicate what's right with your hospital builds trust and understanding within your community. Bottom line – this doesn't happen enough.

Doug FLORKOWSKI CEO

In their book *The Source: Twelve Principles of Governance that Power Exceptional Boards*, Board Source explains that "members of an exceptional board extend the reach of the organization by actively using their own reputations and networks to secure funds, expertise, and access. They bring social and political capital to the organization, thereby enhancing its reputation and capacity. They use their personal and business relationships to expand awareness of the organization and actively participate in cultivating partnerships and collaborations. Serving as the community face of the organization, they advocate on behalf of the organization in appropriate public contexts."

Never underestimate your impact locally

When advocating locally, more is better. As it pertains to the general public, one of the biggest challenges facing critical access hospitals today is that too few people know our story. We don't do a great job in tooting our own horn.

Repeatedly spreading the word of the incredible care being provided by your hospital is so impactful coming from a board member. Everyone in your community expects the CEO to carry this message. It's their job. When a board member carries that same message: *it's powerful*. It's the message of a volunteer advocating for something they believe in. Community members recognize unbiased opinion when there is no personal gain. Advocacy for the greater good of your community is the best kind.

This is certainly true when discussing the delivery of high quality healthcare. As a hospital board member, you are a leader within your community. A board member's perspective may explain in a way that your community can better relate. Oftentimes, it takes hearing the same message a number of different ways to understand the impact of decisions or to effectively communicate the benefits of your hospital to your community. A board member has the ability to personalize the care that is being provided because it is usually being provided to family, friends, or neighbors. Your connection to the community is one of the best ways to influence loyalty, gain trust, and understanding.

Priority over quantity, politically-speaking

Many of the end results of advocating in your community apply politically but with a little bit different approach. As it pertains to legislators, board members should be a bit more measured in how much they communicate. It is imperative to collectively prioritize what is important to your hospital and to focus on specific issues instead of focusing on all of your challenges. The last thing you wish to see happen is your message falling on deaf ears.

Legislators are inundated with requests from their constituents and, right or wrong, they will make their own opinions whether we have gone to the well one too many times. This holds true for all levels of government. Whether it is advocating for changes in policy/regulations or seeking support at the local, state, or federal level, it is important to have an informed, laser focus when speaking to legislators and their staff. They should be able recognize the sincerity of your message and the priority that you have placed on it. This will always make a more significant impression. This is the heart of grassroots advocacy, and this is how a meaningful impact occurs.

If it was easy, everybody would do it

The hardest part of advocacy is stepping outside of your comfort zone and putting yourself out there when the opportunity arises. But the more you do it, the easier it gets. When you are well informed on a specific message you are communicating, it really becomes second nature. Whether it's setting up a meeting with legislators, speaking to civic groups, at public forums or community events, being willing to say 'yes' to these opportunities is the first step to being an effective advocate for your hospital.

Advocacy is about building relationships. Advocacy is about passionately supporting the hospital that you believe in. Whether it involves a member of Congress, a state senator, or your neighbor down the street, advocacy can produce a positive influence on behalf of your hospital, instill confidence in your community, and be incredibly rewarding at the same time.

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The ABCs of Hospital Finance for Critical Access Hospital Board Members

By RALPH LLEWELLYN, Partner-in-Charge of CAHs Partner, Eide Bailly LLP

"How different can hospital finances be from the other organizations I have either owned, operated, or been a part of the board?"

Not an uncommon question to hear from a board member as they begin the journey as a critical access hospital board member. The answer, unfortunately, is "very different."

No other industry operates in the same manner as healthcare. And within healthcare, no other healthcare entities operate like a critical access hospital. The differences begin in how critical access hospitals are reimbursed by the various payors. The most common methodologies of reimbursement are: fee schedules, charge-based, and cost-based.

Fee Schedules

Payors that reimburse under fee schedules are usually commercial insurance companies and worker's compensation. Most physician services are also reimbursed under fee schedules, except for Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement for services in the rural health clinic setting.

There are a variety of forms of fee schedule reimbursement models. Inpatient services are often reimbursed based on diagnostic related groups (DRGs). This is a fixed payment based on the reported diagnoses of the patient. This reimbursement is made without regard to the length of stay or the cost incurred by, or charges submitted by, the hospital. This reimbursement methodology promotes the efficient provision of services.

Fee sched-

ule reimbursement for outpatient and physician services is based on the reporting of Common Ralph LLEWELLYN Partner

Procedure Terminology (CPT) and Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes. These alpha numeric codes provide a

 common language to report the various services provided to patients.

The reimbursement services under this methodology are typically based on the lower of the charge or the assigned fee schedule. In this model, it is most important to focus on proper capture and reporting of services with CPT and HCPCS to allow for the proper capture of payment.

Since payment is limited to the lower of the fee schedule or charge, it is important to monitor all fee schedules to ensure charges are above the highest fee schedule payments. Some payors have expanded the use of this form of reimbursement to bundle various CPT/HCPCS code combinations into payment groups or bundles. In these models, the fee schedule reimbursement includes the payment for multiple CPT and/or HCPCS codes. It is often possible for a provider to receive multiple group/bundle payments during a single patient encounter.

Charge-based reimbursement

Payment under a charge-based payor can either be based on 100% of the charge or on a contracted percent of charge. These payors are often more desirable as they allow the hospital to control their reimbursement levels to a greater extent through the monitoring and setting of charges.

While these types of payors are rare in larger markets, they can be more prevalent in many rural markets. And while there can be greater freedom in the setting of charges/reimbursement under these models, the contracts may limit the annual increase in charges. This emphasizes the need to look at pricing adjustments each year versus larger increases every couple of years. Essentially, self-pay patients fallunder this methodology as their charges and payment expectations originate based on gross charges. However, the payment that is actually received may be adjusted based on charity care or other financially-based discounting.

Cost-based reimbursement

Cost-based reimbursement is the underlying basis of reimbursement from Medicar e for the critical access hospital. This payment methodology relies on the submission of an annual cost report (similar to a tax return) to reconcile interim estimated payments to a final settlement. While the submission of a cost report would seem to imply the critical access hospital receives full-cost reimbursement, that is not the case. First, the cost-based reimbursement methodology only applies to hospital-based services under the critical access hospital provider number. This would include inpatient, swing bed, outpatient ancillaries, and rural health clinics. It excludes nursing homes, home health agencies, most ambulance services, hospice, psychiatric and rehabilitation sub-units, and professional services not billed under the rural health clinic methodology. These other services are typically reimbursed under a fee schedule or other bundled payment methodology by Medicare and other payors.

For services provided under the critical access hospital provider number, Medicare will

reimburse the facility for allowable costs based on the Medicare percentage of volume on a department by department basis. Direct costs in patient care areas are reimbursed in addition to the allocated overhead costs to the individual departments for items such as depreciation, benefits, administrative and general, maintenance, utilities, housekeeping, laundry, dietary, nursing

administration, and health information management. Since there are many allowed methodologies that can be approved for the allocation of overhead expenses, providers must periodically review these allocations for appropriateness.

It is important to note that only allowable costs are included in the reimbursement calculation. Medicare rules require the offset of any costs determined not to be related to patient care or for miscellaneous non-patient revenues that are considered to be recoupments of expense. Examples of unallowable costs include phones and televisions in patient rooms, advertising to influence patient selection of service providers, physician recruitment (except for rural health clinic physicians) and lobbying. Examples of miscellaneous revenue offsets include charges for medical record copies, miscellaneous supply sales, and rebates.

To complicate matters, the Medicare Administrative Contractors (MAC) and Medicare frequently issue changes in interpretations to existing regulations that can result in the disallowance of previously accepted costs. These changes in interpretation can lead to significant recoupment of previously made payments and can apply to several outstanding years of cost reports open to audit.

As previously noted, the payments throughout the cost report year are made based on estimates with a year end settlement. These estimates are based on prior year submitted cost reports with periodic adjustments for known changes in volumes and costs.

However, they are estimates, and the actual final determination of payment can lead to significant receivables or payables for the critical access hospital.

To assist in better estimating the receivables or payables, many critical access hospitals utilize an interim settlement estimator model. These models allow the facility to input year-to-date information into the model to better estimate settlements and provide for improved financial management and planning. Since this is a cost-based model, changes in costs will change reimbursement. In difficult financial times, facilities may find it discouraging to decrease costs when a portion of the decrease will also result in a reduction in Medicare cost-based reimburs ement. Cost control is still very critical, but it may take a significant reduction in costs to result in a sizable change in the financial performance of the organization.

The Challenge

The big challenge for critical access hospitals is that all of these reimbursement models occur at the same time and require different strategies to maximize financial performance.

So,.."how different can hospital finances be from the other organizations I have either owned, operated, or been a part of the board?" *Different, very different.*

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Rite Aid files for bankruptcy, names new CEO

Rite Aid is filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection and has a new CEO to lead it through the turnaround, the U.S. drugstore chain <u>announced</u> Oct. 15.

The Philadelphia-based company, which has 2,100 stores across the U.S., named Jeffrey Stein as its CEO, chief restructuring officer and a member of its board of directors, effective immediately. He replaces Elizabeth Burr, who has <u>served as interim CEO</u> since January 2023 after Heyward Donigan abruptly resigned. Ms. Burr will remain director of the Rite Aid board.

Rite Aid is reporting that it has secured \$3.45 billion from lenders to fund operations throughout the bankruptcy process. The largest creditor is McKesson Corp. with trade-payable claims of approximately \$667.6 million, according to <u>*Bloomberg*</u>.

Rite Aid also said it plans to close "underperforming" brick-and-mortar stores, a plan that has <u>previously been</u> <u>reported</u>, without further detail. It is working with A&G Realty Partners on its store closure and lease restructuring program.

Days before the bankruptcy announcement, the New York Stock Exchange notified Rite Aid in October that it is no longer in compliance with minimum listing requirements. NYSE has a minimum stock price of \$4; Rite Aid shares were priced at 53 cents as of Oct. 5 and 65 cents Oct. 15.

It was reported in August that Rite Aid was <u>preparing</u> for bankruptcy. S&P Global Ratings followed that news with a downgrade to CCC- from CCC+. The company said Oct. 5 that it was reviewing strategic alternatives to recapitalize, refinance or "otherwise optimize" its capital structure.

In March, the Justice Department filed a lawsuit against Rite Aid claiming it violated the Controlled Substances Act, alleging that the company filled hundreds of thousands of prescriptions that did not meet legal requirements from May 2014 through June 2019. Rite Aid said that the bankruptcy filing will allow it to "resolve litigation claims in an equitable manner."

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