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Board of Commissioners Priority Setting



of Henderson County Public Library, Inc. 301 North Washington Street Hendersonville, North Carolina 28739 cc. Bo.c Seleva Seleva

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Mr. Bill Moyers, Chairman. Henderson County Board of Commissioners, 100 N. King Street, Hendersonville, NC 28792. November 16, 2008

Mr. Chairman,

At the Library Board of Trustees meeting held on November 13, 2008 we again discussed the proposal to return the old library building on King Street back to it's original purpose as part of the Henderson County Public Library. During the discussion Stan Shelley pointed out that, while the land was donated, the original construction costs were paid for by a personal check from Andrew Carnegie rather than by the Carnegie Foundation. This alone appears to be a good reason to make this change and to let this building return to library usage. To use this building as an extension of the main library would allow the library director to move certain "stand alone" functions into the building thus freeing up space in the main library.

As I am sure you are aware the Henderson County Public Library is rated second only to the University Library at Chapel Hill. Shortly the library will pass a milestone of one million transactions in a single year. The quality of the library and the service provided by the staff is an added attraction to new comers to the county while the popularity of the library in these current tough times puts addition pressure on the library facilities. This additional pressure would be mitigated by your approval of the proposal.

As president of the Friends of Henderson County Public Library I urge you to give this proposal strong favorable consideration. I renew the offer, originally made in a telephone conversation with County Manager, Steve Wyatt, that the Friends will pay all renovation costs for the building should it be returned to library usage. To me this seems to be a win/win situation for the library, the county commissioners and the community at large. Thanking you for you favorable consideration.

Ray McKenzie-Wilson President FoL 2008

HENDERSON COUNTY HOSPITAL CORPORATION

APPROVED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2009

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2009

HENDERSON COUNTY HOSPITAL CORPORATION

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1 Patient Volumes, Average Length of Stay (ALOS) & Case Mix Index (CMI)

Increased volumes are primarily driven by the addition of the OB/GYN physicians and surgeons.

Admissions		Patient D	Patient Days		<u>s</u>	CMI		
2005	8,348		35,784		4.329		1.1520	
2006	8,233	-1.4%	34,992	-2.2%	4.261	-1.6%	1.1209	-2.7%
2007	8,634	4.9%	35,793	2.3%	4.148	-2.7%	1.0777	-3.9%
2008	8,212	-4.9%	33,711	-5.8%	4.106	-1.0%	1.1436	6.1%
2009	8,452	2.9%	34,702	2.9%	4.106	0.0%	1.1692	2.2%
	IP Surge	eries	OP Surge	eries	Total Sur	geries	Endosco	pies
2005	2,345		4,333		6,678		4,682	
2006	2,087	-11.0%	4,580	5.7%	6,667	-0.2%	4,984	6.5%
2007	1,949	-6.6%	4,786	4.5%	6,735	1.0%	3,887	-22.0%
2008	1,905	-2.3%	4,758	-0.6%	6,663	-1.1%	4,167	7.2%
2009	1,930	1.3%	4,940	3.8%	6,870	3.1%	4,110	-1.4%
	ED Vis	its	Lab Proced	dures	MRI Proc	edures		
2005	29,508		360,629		7,025			
2006	30,558	3.6%	358,220	-0.7%	6,993	-0.5%		
2007	31,817	4.1%	367,960	2.7%	6,901	-1.3%		
2008	30,869	-3.0%	372,359	1.2%	6,343	-8.1%		
2009	30,980	0.4%	377,000	1.2%	6,901	8.8%		

2 Price Increase:

Overall average of 5% price increase, effective 10/1/08, which is within the 5% to 7% increase authorized by the Board in August 2008. Gross patient revenues for the hospital will increase \$22.7 million or 7.5% over the projected 2008, of which \$15.2 million or 5% is attributable to the price increase and \$7.5 million or 2.5% is attributable to volume increases.

The price increase contributes approximately \$1,300,000 to the bottom line from Managed Care and Commercial Payors.

Medicare: Inpatient increase of \$493,000 or 1.71%; Outpatient: Increase of \$421,000 or 3.00% Medicaid: Inpatient assumed to increase by \$40,000, or 1.4%; Outpatient: No change in payment.

3 Assumes Medicaid Reimbursement Initiative (MRI) net payment of \$2,240,000 (a full year's anticipated payment).

	Payment Reserved		 Net	Change	
2005	\$	1,736,521	\$ (173,655)	\$ 1,562,866	
2006		1,998,926	(399,785)	1,599,141	2.3%
2007		2,849,000	(570,000)	2,279,000	42.5%
2008		2,795,000	(559,000)	2,236,000	-1.9%
2009		2,800,000	(560,000)	2,240,000	0.2%

Pardee Hospital has received an approximate \$2,800,000 payment (of which we reserve 20%) for the past two years. This payment is guaranteed proportionately through April 2009, after which the NCHA will discuss with the state and federal governments to extend the program as is or develop a new assessment based program.

4 Bad debt expense is projected to be 7.21% of total gross revenues.

In FY 2008, Pardee Hospital embarked upon strategies to achieve a \$3.6 million reduction in projected bad debt expense, including a complete re-structuring of the scheduling and registration process in order to provide financial counseling efforts up-front when interacting with patient prior to scheduled services; use of a new system (Passport) to better identify patient co-pays and deductibles at time of scheduling; collecting co-pays and deductibles at time of service; and collecting deposits from "true self pay" (i.e., no form of 3rd party coverage) patients in advance of services. These efforts were successful in 2008, with \$1.7 million collected up-front through the first eleven months of the year, in spite of these efforts only being effective from 1/1/08. These efforts will continue in FY 2009, and the proportion of bad debt expense to gross revenues has been held consistent to the level achieved in 2008 of 7.21%. The increase of 7.5% from 2008 to 2009 is caused by the volume increases and the average price increase, which together increased total charges by 7.5%.

5 FTEs, Salaries & Wages:

Hospital FTEs						
FTEs	Change	% Change				
940.4						
958.4	18.0	1.9%				
1,004.8	46.4	4.8%				
985.3	(19.5)	-1.9%				
990.3	5.0	0.5%				
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The increase of 5.0 FTEs in 2009 includes the following:

Add Pardee OB/GYN Associates (New Program)	6.0
Add WCMA Fletcher (1 MD, 1 FNP, 1 Med Asst) (Expanded Program)	3.0
Add Info Tech CIO (contract fee in 2008) and Clinical Informatics SpcIst	2.0
Add Trauma Level III Program (New Program)	1.8
Add Sleep Lab Tech (Expanded Program)	1.0
Move Employee Health to Urgent Care (Tfr for increased efficiency)	(2.4)
Move Insurance Billers to Urgent Care (Tfr for Increased efficiency)	(2.0)
Less Medical Transcriptionists to Contract Fee (reduces expenses)	(4.0)
Other Changes	(0.4)
Net Change	5.0

An average merit increase of 3.25% has been assumed for 2009.

6 Benefits / Employee Health Expenses

Premium increases assumed effective 1/1/09 will reduce the hospital's employee health costs by approximately \$100,000.

7 Subsidized Programs

The subsidized programs that were a focus during FY 2008 (Mental Health Unit, Detox and WCMA) have shown improvement in their financial performance in 2008 and/or in the FY 2009 budget, as shown below.

During FY 2009, the financial performance of these, and all other programs and services provided by the Hospital and the Urgent Care Center, will continue to be monitored.

		FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Mental Health	Net Revenues	2,750,113	2,897,923	3,387,716
	Direct Expenses	2,976,861	3,177,219	3,410,729
	Contribution Margin	(226,748)	(279,296)	(23,013)
	Overhead Allocation	(1,067,870)	(1,091,145)	(1,227,862)
	Fully Allocated Margin	(1,294,618)	(1,370,441)	(1,250,875)
Detox	Net Revenues	1,143,933	1,391,798	1,376,123
	Direct Expenses	1,381,608	1,073,450	1,119,459
	Contribution Margin	(237,675)	318,348	256,664
	Overhead Allocation	(411,590)	(319,341)	(333,138)
	Fully Allocated Margin	(649,265)	(993)	(76,474)
WCMA	Net Revenues	1,141,289	1,653,991	1,756,013
	Direct Expenses	1,623,938	2,010,021	1,578,045
	Contribution Margin	(482,649)	(356,030)	177,968
	Overhead Allocation	-		(473,414)
	Fully Allocated Margin	(482,649)	(356,030)	(295,446)

8 New Programs/Initiatives:

Pardee OB/GYN Associates

The hospital's recruitment efforts were realized in August 2008 with the opening of Pardee OB/GYN Associates. The volumes, revenues and expenses associated with the employment of two physicians and their related staff have been included in the 2009 budget.

Emergency Department Level III Trauma

1.80 additional FTE's have been added to the budget to begin the Level III Trauma data gathering phase of the certification.

WCMA Fletcher

Added one physician, one family nurse practitioner and a medical assistant.

CT Scan - 64-slice

A new 64 slice CT Scanner will be replacing an older unit. The entire project is expected to take 45 weeks and will require use of a mobile CT for four months at \$60,000 per month, which has been included in the operating budget. The completion of the project is scheduled for the last quarter of FY 2009. No change in volumes has been assumed in the FY2009 budget. Increased funcitionality, including cardiac and vascular applications, is projected to result in a volume increase of at least 5% in 2010.

Medical Staff Support

The hospital continues its efforts to attract new physicians.

9 Urgent Care Center

	UCC Vis	its	Employee Health Visits
2005 Actual	22,275		
2006 Actual	23,117	3.8%	
2007 Actual	24,736	7.0%	
2008 Projection	23,954	-3.2%	
2009 Budget	24,000	0.2%	3,800

FTEs, Salaries & Wages:

To improve operational efficiencies and to permit staff to move more easily between areas of responsibility, the Employee Health staff consisting of 2.4 FTEs and associated expesnes are being moved from the hospital to Urgent Care. The staff involved with employee health have been physically located at UCC for the past several years. The UCC will charge the hospital for services at cost. The billing staff are moving to UCC from the hospital Patient Financial Services as of FY 2009, or 2 FTE's. An average merit increase of 3.25% has been assumed for 2008.

Overhead Allocation was new for FY2008 and reflects the allocated cost of corporate support

A corporate allocation of \$178,800 will be reflected as expense within the income statement of Urgent Care with an equal amount to be reflected as a reduction in expense within the hospital income statement. The affect of this allocation on the consolidated financial statements is \$0.

HENDERSON COUNTY HOSPITAL CORPORATION 2009 OPERATING BUDGET VERSUS 2008 PROJECTION and 2007 ACTUAL

		FY 2007 Actual	FY 2008 Budget	FY 2008 Projection	FY 2009 Budget	FY09 Budget to FY08 Proj	FY09 Budget to FY08 Proj
	GROSS PATIENT REVENUE						
1	Inpatient Revenue	\$ 137,295,499 \$		\$ 141,995,443	\$ 139,326,299	\$ (2,669,144)	-1.88%
2	Outpatient Revenue	159,301,966	173,428,057	174,140,735	189,756,770	15,616,035	8.97%
3	Total Gross Patient Revenue	296,597,465	316,375,953	316,136,178	329,083,069	12,946,891	4.10%
	REVENUE DEDUCTIONS						
4	Bad Debt	20,626,044	22,730,801	22,143,888	23,711,493	1,567,605	7.08%
5	Medicare/Medicaid	117,813,306	132,764,010	135,103,221	142,646,426	7,543,205	5.58%
6	Managed Care/Comm'l	28,842,525	27,944,013	30,664,966	35,487,203	4,822,237	15.73%
7	Charity	3,186,323	3,492,091	3,244,652	3,442,076	197,424	6.08%
8	Other Deductions	960,734	800,000	976,958	762,498	(214,460)	-21.95%
9	Total Revenue Deductions	171,428,932	187,730,915	192,133,685	206,049,696	13,916,011	7.24%
10	Rev Deduct as a % of Gross Rev	57.8%	59.3%	60.8%	62.6%		
11	Net Patient Service Revenue	125,168,533	128,645,038	124,002,493	123,033,373	(969,120)	-0.78%
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12	Other Operating Income	2,591,888	2,448,565	2,173,351	2,556,085	382,734	17.61% -0.46%
13	Total Operating Revenue	127,760,421	131,093,603	126,175,844	125,589,458	(586,386)	-0.4076
	OPERATING EXPENSES					/= AAA AAA	
14	Salaries and Wages	53,098,698	52,189,198	51,386,581	49,052,652	(2,333,929)	-4.54%
15	Employee Benefits	15,774,863	15,348,293	14,540,410	14,417,522	(122,888)	
16	Contract Labor	1,364,468	1,220,766	2,203,839	1,307,407	(896,432)	
17	Physician Fees	1,555,298	1,423,900	1,698,432	1,615,965	(82,467)	
18	Contract Fees	7,825,612	8,007,855	8,421,845	8,137,211	(284,634)	
19	Billable Supplies	16,943,926	16,966,015	16,772,622	16,817,352	44,730	0.27%
20	Miscellaneous Supplies	6,987,789	7,015,462	6,568,252	6,417,163	(151,089)	
21	Minor Equipment	459,888	410,592	278,213	304,300	26,087	9.38%
22	Training & Travel	441,012	434,265	347,378	374,228	26,850	7.73%
23	Utilities	2,524,290	2,371,716	2,501,169	2,376,656	(124,513)	
24	Maintenance & Repairs	5,084,492	5,579,899	5,263,999	5,692,661	428,662	8.14%
25	Insurance	2,057,460	1,699,454	1,604,772	1,756,929	152,157	9.48%
26	Rentals & Leases	1,503,908	1,796,005	1,843,235	1,891,469	48,234	2.62%
27	Other Expense	1,710,507	1,966,215	1,646,768	1,845,244	198,476	12.05%
28	Total Operating Expenses	117,332,211	116,429,635	115,077,515	112,006,759	(3,070,756)	-2.67%
29	Gross Operating Margin	10,428,210	14,663,968	11,098,329	13,582,699	2,484,370	22.39%
30	Depreciation	11,991,012	11,374,679	11,264,494	10.503.856	(760,638)	-6.75%
31	Interest	599,909	650,000	445,295	566,200	120,905	27.15%
32	Net Operating Margin	(2,162,711)	2,639,289	(611,460)	2,512,643	3,124,103	510.93%
32	Net Operating Marghi	(2,102,711)	2,000,200				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
33	Investment Activity	1,293,354	872,960	133,724	1,116,566	982,842	
34	Grants and Donations	1,731,711	2,070,000	1,800,000	1,643,227	(156,773)	
35	Contributions to Foundation	(533,914)	(554,000)	(555,000)	(580,000)	(25,000)	
36	Other Non-Operating	437,797	-	5,360,000	-	(5,360,000	
37	Total Non-Operating Income	2,928,948	2,388,960	6,738,724	2,179,793	(4,558,931) -67.65%
38	Net Income (Loss)	\$ 766,237	5,028,249	\$ 6,127,265	\$ 4,692,436	\$ (1,434,829) -23.42%
39 40	Net Oper Margin to Total Oper Rev Net Income to Total Operating Rev	-1.69% 0.60%	2.01% 3.84%	-0.48% 4.86%			
41	Avg FTE's (Employee and Contract)	1,186.7	1,119.0	1,005.3	1,014.6	9.3	0.92%

HENDERSON COUNTY HOSPITAL CORPORATION 2009 OPERATING BUDGET LINE ITEM PERCENTAGE ANALYSIS

		"A"	FY 2007 Actual	"B"	"A"	FY 2008 Projection	"B"	"A"	FY 2009 Budget	"B"
	GROSS PATIENT REVENUE							40.004.0	100 000 000	
1	Inpatient Revenue	46.3% \$			44.9% \$			42.3% \$		
2	Outpatient Revenue	53.7%	159,301,966		55.1%	174,140,735		57.7%	189,756,770	
3	Total Gross Patient Revenue	100.0%	296,597,465	•	100.0%	316,136,178		100.0%	329,083,069	
	REVENUE DEDUCTIONS									
4	Bad Debt	7.0%	20,626,044		7.0%	22,143,888		7.2%	23,711,493	
5	Medicare/Medicaid	39.7%	117,813,306		42.7%	135,103,221		43.3%	142,646,426	
6	Managed Care/Comm'l	9.7%	28,842,525		9.7%	30,664,966		10.8%	35,487,203	
7	Charity	1.1%	3,186,323		1.0%	3,244,652		1.0%	3,442,076	
8	Other Deductions	0.3%	960,734		0.3%	976,958		0.2%	762,498	
9	Total Revenue Deductions	57.8%	171,428,932		60.8%	192,133,685		62.6%	206,049,696	
11	Net Patient Service Revenue	42.2%	125,168,533		39.2%	124,002,493		37.4%	123,033,373	
12	Other Operating Income	0.9%	2,591,888		0.7%	2,173,351		0.8%	2,556,085	
13	• **	43.1%	127,760,421	100.0%	39.9%	126,175,844	100.0%	38.2%	125,589,458	100.0%
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	OPERATING EXPENSES									
14	Salaries and Wages	17.9%	53,098,698		16.3%	51,386,581		14.9%	49,052,652	
15	Employee Benefits	5.3%	15,774,863		4.6%		11.5%	4.4%	14,417,522	
16	Contract Labor	0.5%	1,364,468		0.7%	2,203,839		0.4%	1,307,407	
17	Physician Fees	0.5%	1,555,298		0.5%	1,698,432		0.5%	1,615,965	
18	Contract Fees	2.6%	7,825,612		2.7%	8,421,845		2.5% 5.1%	8,137,211 16,817,352	
19	Billable Supplies Miscellaneous Supplies	5.7%	16,943,926		5.3%	16,772,622 6,568,252		2.0%	6,417,163	
20 21	Minor Equipment	2.4% 0.2%	6,987,789 459,888		2.1% 0.1%	278,213		0.1%	304,300	
22	Training & Travel	0.2%	441,012		0.1%	347,378		0.1%	374,228	
23	Utilities	0.1%	2,524,290		0.1%	2,501,169		0.7%	2,376,656	
24	Maintenance & Repairs	1.7%	5,084,492		1.7%	5,263,999		1.7%	5,692,661	
25	Insurance	0.7%	2,057,460		0.5%	1,604,772		0.5%	1,756,929	
26	Rentals & Leases	0.5%	1,503,908		0.6%	1,843,235		0.6%	1,891,469	
27	Other Expense	0.6%	1,710,507		0.5%	1,646,768		0.6%	1,845,244	
28	Total Operating Expenses	39.6%	117,332,211		36.4%	115,077,515		34.0%	112,006,759	-
29	Gross Operating Margin	3.5%	10,428,210	8.2%	3.5%	11,098,329	8.8%	4.1%	13,582,699	10.8%
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30	Depreciation	4.0%	11,991,012		3.6%	11,264,494		3.2%	10,503,856	
31	Interest	0.2%	599,909		0.1% _	445,295	,	0.2% _	566,200	_
32	Net Operating Margin	-0.7%	(2,162,711)	-1.7%	-0.2%	(611,460)	-0.5%	0.8% _	2,512,643	_2.0%
33	Investment Activity	0.4%	1,293,354	1.0%	0.0%	133,724	0.1%	0.3%	1,116,566	0.9%
34	Grants and Donations	0.6%	1,731,711		0.6%	1,800,000		0.5%	1,643,227	1.3%
35	Contributions to Foundation	-0.2%	(533,914)	-0.4%	-0.2%	(555,000)		-0.2%	(580,000)	
36	Gain on Sale of Asset	0.1%	437,797		1.7%	5,360,000	4.2%	0.0%	-	
37	Total Non-Operating Income	1.0%	2,928,948	2.3%	2.1%	6,738,724	5.3%	0.7% _	2,179,793	1.7%
38	Net Income (Loss)	0.3% \$	766,237	0.6%	1.9%	6,127,265	4.9%	1.4%	4,692,436	3.7%
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39	Net Oper Margin to Total Oper Re		-1.69%		÷	-0.48%			2.00%	
40	Net Income to Total Operating Re-	V	0.60%			4.86%			3.74%	•
41	Avg FTE's (Employee and Contrac	ot)	1,186.7			1,005.3			1,014.6	

[&]quot;A" Percentage of item as compared to Total Gross Patient Revenues "B" Percentage of item as compared to Total Operating Revenues

MARGARET R PARDEE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL 2009 OPERATING BUDGET VERSUS 2008 PROJECTION and 2007 ACTUAL

		FY 2007 Actual	FY 2008 Budget	FY 2008 Projection	FY 2009 Budget	FY09 Budget to FY08 Proi	FY09 Budget to FY08 Proj
	GROSS PATIENT REVENUE	Actual	Duuget	riojection	Duaget	(0.100110)	101100110,
1	Inpatient Revenue	\$ 126,501,369	\$ 137,328,621	\$ 132,596,618	\$ 139,326,299	\$ 6,729,681	5.08%
2	Outpatient Revenue	153,835,515	169,577,799	170,348,533	186.342.914	15,994,381	9.39%
3	Total Gross Patient Revenue	280,336,884	306,906,420	302,945,151	325,669,213	22,724,062	7.50%
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	REVENUE DEDUCTIONS						
4	Bad Debt	20,384,398	22,501,616	21,844,286	23,483,420	1,639,134	7.50%
5	Medicare/Medicaid	114,628,850	130,099,841	132,304,094	142,264,912	9,960,818	7.53%
6	Managed Care/Comm'l	27,892,927	27,873,349	29,860,186	34,746,615	4,886,429	16.36%
7	Charity	3,159,275	3,457,091	3,244,652	3,442,076	197,424	6.08%
8	Other Deductions	960,734	800,000	976,958	762,498	(214,460)	-21.95%
9	Total Revenue Deductions	167,026,184	184,731,897	188,230,176	204,699,521	16,469,345	8.75%
10	Rev Deduct as a % of Gross Rev	59.6%	60.2%	62.1%	62.9%		
11	Net Patient Service Revenue	113,310,700	122,174,523	114,714,975	120,969,692	6,254,717	5.45%
12	Other Operating Income	2,476,257	2,378,565	2,085,130	2,303,195	218,065	10.46%
13	Total Operating Revenue	115,786,957	124,553,088	116,800,105	123,272,887	6,472,782	5.54%
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	OPERATING EXPENSES						
14	Salaries and Wages	45,629,638	47,900,703	45,885,646	47,541,940	1,656,294	3.61%
15	Employee Benefits	13,574,389	14,118,221	13,004,526	14,016,478	1,011,952	7.78%
16	Contract Labor	1,136,722	1,119,016	1,572,492	1,307,407	(265,085)	-16.86%
17	Physician Fees	1,479,251	1,353,600	1,647,431	1,555,965	(91,466)	-5.55%
18	Contract Fees	7,407,333	7,799,952	8,221,446	8,108,066	(113,380)	
19	Billable Supplies	16,129,608	16,492,190	16,133,712	16,617,723	484,011	3.00%
20	Miscellaneous Supplies	6,385,579	6,682,998	6,034,813	6,363,638	328,825	5.45%
21	Minor Equipment	438,384	395,492	255,433	300,000	44,567	17.45%
22	Training & Travel	393,976	401,215	318,107	350,000	31,893	10.03%
23	Utilities	2,241,127	2,232,875	2,293,825	2,361,956	68,131	2.97%
24	Maintenance & Repairs	4,973,330	5,525,220	5,192,035	5,678,111	486,076	9.36%
25	Insurance	2,001,065	1,669,078	1,574,080	1,697,700	123,620	7.85%
26	Rentals & Leases	1,273,947	1,701,651	1,747,352	1,846,408	99,056	5.67%
27	Other Expense	1,675,213	1,791,029	1,474,636	1,677,044	202,408	13.73%
28	Total Operating Expenses	104,739,562	109,183,240	105,355,534	109,422,436	4,066,902	3.86%
29	Gross Operating Margin	11,047,395	15,369,848	11,444,571	13,850,451	2,405,880	21.02%
30	Depreciation	11,683,258	11,175,984	10,991,494	10,431,501	(559,993)	-5.09%
31	Interest	599,909	650,000	445,295	566,200	120,905	27.15%
32	Net Operating Margin	(1,235,772)	3,543,864	7,782	2,852,750	2,844,968	36557.37%
33	Investment Activity	1,293,354	872,960	133,724	1,116,566	982,842	
34	Grants and Donations	1,731,711	2,070,000	1,800,000	1,643,227	(156,773)	
35	Contributions to Foundation	(533,914)	(554,000)	(555,000)	(580,000)		
36	Other Non-Operating	437,797	-	5,360,000	*	(5,360,000	
37	Total Non-Operating Income	2,928,948	2,388,960	6,738,724	2,179,793	(4,558,931	-67.65%
38	Net Income (Loss)	\$ 1,693,176	\$ 5,932,824	\$ 6,746,507	\$ 5,032,543	\$ (1,713,964	-25.41%
39	Net Oper Margin to Total Oper Rev	-1.07%	2.85%				
40	Net Income to Total Operating Rev	1.46%	4.76%	5.78%	4.08%	•	
41	Avg FTE's (Employee and Contract)	1,004.8	1,007.2	985.3	990.3	5.0	0.50%
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MARGARET R PARDEE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL 2009 OPERATING BUDGET LINE ITEM PERCENTAGE ANALYSIS

		"A"	FY 2007 Actual	"B"	"A"	FY 2008 Projection	"B"	"A"	FY 2009 Budget	"B"
	GROSS PATIENT REVENUE									
1	Inpatient Revenue	45.1%			43.8% \$			42.8% \$	139,326,299	
2	Outpatient Revenue	54.9%	153,835,515		56.2%	170,348,533		57.2%	186,342,914	
3	Total Gross Patient Revenue	100.0%_	280,336,884		100.0%	302,945,151		100.0%	325,669,213	
	REVENUE DEDUCTIONS									
4	Bad Debt	7.3%	20,384,398		7.2%	21,844,286		7.2%	23,483,420	
5	Medicare/Medicaid	40.9%	114,628,850		43.7%	132,304,094		43.7%	142,264,912	
6	Managed Care/Comm'l	9.9%	27,892,927		9.9%	29,860,186		10.7%	34,746,615	
7	Charity	1.1%	3,159,275		1.1%	3,244,652		1.1%	3,442,076	
8	Other Deductions	0.3%_	960,734		0.3%	976,958		0.2%	762,498	
9	Total Revenue Deductions	59.6% _	167,026,184	-	62.1%	188,230,176		62.9%	204,699,521	-
11	Net Patient Service Revenue	40.4%	113,310,700	•	37.9%	114,714,975		37.1%	120,969,692	
12	Other Operating Income	0.9%	2,476,257		0.7%	2,085,130		0.7%	2,303,195	•
13	Total Operating Revenue	41.3%	115,786,957	100.0%	38.6%	116,800,105	100.0%	37.9%	123,272,887	100.0%
	OPERATING EXPENSES									
14	Salaries and Wages	16.3%	45,629,638		15.1%	45,885,646		14.6%	47,541,940	
15	Employee Benefits	4.8%	13,574,389		4.3%	13,004,526		4.3%	14,016,478	
16	Contract Labor	0.4%	1,136,722		0.5%	1,572,492		0.4%	1,307,407	
17	Physician Fees	0.5%	1,479,251		0.5%	1,647,431		0.5%	1,555,965	
18	Contract Fees	2.6%	7,407,333		2.7%	8,221,446		2.5%	8,108,066	
19	Billable Supplies	5.8%	16,129,608		5.3%	16,133,712		5.1%	16,617,723	
20	Miscellaneous Supplies	2.3%	6,385,579		2.0%	6,034,813		2.0%	6,363,638	
21	Minor Equipment	0.2%	438,384		0.1%	255,433		0.1%	300,000 350,000	
22	Training & Travel	0.1%	393,976		0.1%	318,107		0.1% 0.7%	2,361,956	
23	Utilities	0.8%	2,241,127		0.8%	2,293,825 5,192,035		1.7%	5,678,111	
24	Maintenance & Repairs	1.8%	4,973,330 2,001,065		1.7% 0.5%	1,574,080		0.5%	1,697,700	
25 26	Insurance Rentals & Leases	0.7% 0.5%	1,273,947		0.5%	1,747,352		0.6%	1,846,408	
27	Other Expense	0.5%	1,675,213		0.5%	1,474,636		0.5%	1,677,044	
28	Total Operating Expenses	37.4%	104,739,562		34.8%	105,355,534		33.6%	109,422,436	
29	Gross Operating Margin	3.9%	11,047,395	9.5%	3.8%	11,444,571	9.8%	4.3%	13,850,451	11.2%
30	Depreciation	4.2%	11,683,258	10.1%	3.6%	10,991,494	9.4%	3.2%	10,431,501	8.5%
31	Interest	0.2%	599,909	0.5%	0.1%	445,295	0.4%	0.2% _	566,200	
32	Net Operating Margin	-0.4%	(1,235,772)	-1.1%	0.0%	7,782	0.0%	0.9%	2,852,750	_2.3%
33	Investment Activity	0.5%	1,293,354	1.1%	0.0%	133,724		0.3%	1,116,566	
34	Grants and Donations	0.6%	1,731,711		0.6%	1,800,000	1.5%	0.5%	1,643,227	1.3%
35	Contributions to Foundation	-0.2%	(533,914)		-0.2%	(555,000)	-0.5%	-0.2%	(580,000) -0.5%
36	Gain on Sale of Asset	0.2%	437,797	0.4%	1.8%	5,360,000	4.6%	0.0% _		0.0%
37	Total Non-Operating Income	1.0%	2,928,948	2.5%	2.2%	6,738,724	5.8%	0.7% _	2,179,793	1.8%
38	Net Income (Loss)	0.6%	1,693,176	1.5%	2.2%\$	6,746,507	5.8%	1.5%	5,032,543	4.1%
39	Net Oper Margin to Total Oper Re		-1.07%			0.01% 5.78%			2.31% 4.08%	
40	Net Income to Total Operating Ro		1.46%				,			
41	Avg FTE's (Employee and Contra	act)	1,004.8			985.3			990.3	;

[&]quot;A" Percentage of item as compared to Total Gross Patient Revenues "B" Percentage of item as compared to Total Operating Revenues

MARGARET R PARDEE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

2009 OPERATING BUDGET ROLL FORWARD FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)

1	Projected 2008 Excess of Revenues Over Expenses	\$ 6,746,507
2	Net Patient Revenue: 5% rate increase	1,300,000
3	Net Patient Revenue: Volume growth and new business	4,903,000
4	Net Patient Revenue: Increased payor payments, primarily Medicare	1,889,000
5	Net Revenue Decrease: Bad Debt Increase	(1,639,000)
6	Net Revenue Decrease: Charity Care Increase	(198,000)
7	Salaries: average wage increase of 3.25%	(745,000)
8	Salaries and Benefit expense: New Positions and restructures Net Increase of 5.0 FTEs (See FTE Salaries and Wages Assumption)	(911,000)
9	Health insurance and other employee benefits Increase for salary increase and new positions, (\$460,000) Net increase in health insurance and other employee benefits (\$552,000)	(1,012,000)
10	Contract Labor - Reduced use of contract labor	265,000
11	Contract Fees Consulting Fees reduction for medical documentation assistance \$400,000 Cardiac Cath program cost reduction \$280,000 Resident physician contract increase (\$360,000) Medical transcription contract fee (\$226,000)	113,000
12	Supplies - Average of 4% price increase and 3% volume increase	(813,000)
13	Maintenance and Repairs Radiology Maintenance (\$200,000), Info Tech (\$200,000)	(486,000)
14	Other - Minor Equipment (\$45,000) Training and Travel (\$32,000) Utilities (\$68,000) 5% increase anticipated by Engineering Community Awareness/Marketing increase (\$200,000) Rentals and Leases (\$100,000) Insurance (\$124,000)	(569,000)
15	Depreciation and Interest Expense Primarily due to PACS Radiology System depreciation ending during FY2009	439,000
16	Investment income change	983,000
17	Gain for sale of Pardee Care Center and insurance settlements in 2008	(5,360,000)
18	Miscellaneous/Other	127,036
19	Budgeted 2009 Excess of Revenues Over Expenses	\$ 5,032,543

PARDEE URGENT CARE CENTER

2009 OPERATING BUDGET VERSUS 2008 PROJECTION and 2007 ACTUAL APPROVED BY URGENT CARE CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON 9/23/08

	GROSS PATIENT REVENUE	FY 2007 Actual		FY 2008 Budget		FY 2008 Projection		FY 2009 Budget		09 Budget FY08 Proj	FY09 Budget to FY08 Proj
1	Outpatient Revenue	\$ 3,223,269	\$	3,273,626	\$	3,214,559	\$	3,413,856	\$	199,297	6.20%
2	Total Gross Patient Revenue	3,223,269	<u>.</u>	3,273,626	Ψ	3,214,559	¥	3,413,856	Ψ	199,297	6.20%
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	REVENUE DEDUCTIONS										
3	Bad Debt	115,912		167,710		216,796		228,073		11,277	5.20%
4	Medicare/Medicaid	444,531		1,175,449		327,002		381,514		54,512	16.67%
5	Managed Care/Comm'l	727,621				739,618		740,588		970	0.13%
6	Charity	-		-		_		_		-	0.00%
7	Other Deductions			-		-		_		•	0.00%
8	Total Revenue Deductions	1,288,064		1,343,159		1,283,416		1,350,175		66,759	5.20%
9	Rev Deduct as a % of Gross Rev	40.0%		41.0%		39.9%		39.5%			
10	Net Patient Service Revenue	1,935,205		1,930,467		1,931,143		2,063,681		132,538	6.86%
11	Other Operating Income							050 000		050 000	0.000/
12	Other Operating Income Total Operating Revenue	1,935,205		4 020 467		4 024 442		252,890		252,890 385.428	0.00%
12	total Operating Revenue	1,935,205		1,930,467		1,931,143		2,316,571		300,420	19.96%
	OPERATING EXPENSES										
13	Salaries and Wages	1,096,314		1,127,876		1,235,063		1,510,712		275,649	22.32%
14	Employee Benefits	323,627		327,985		330,367		401,044		70,677	21.39%
15	Contract Labor	-		52.,000				,			0.00%
16	Physician Fees	76,047		70,300		51,001		60,000		8,999	17,64%
17	Contract Fees	144,324		131,883		118,414		29,145		(89,269)	-75.39%
18	Billable Supplies	156,074		149,000		145,080		199,629		54,549	37.60%
19	Miscellaneous Supplies	71,463		67,550		69,314		53,525		(15,789)	-22,78%
20	Minor Equipment	2,515		3,500		1,015		4,300		3,285	323.65%
21	Training & Travel	19,877		23,250		21,767		24,228		2,461	11.31%
22	Utilities	10,266		10,300		12,223		14,700		2,477	20.27%
23	Maintenance & Repairs	4,438		4,100		4,531		14,550		10,019	221.12%
24	Insurance	26,924		23,000		23,324		59,229		35,905	153.94%
25	Rentals & Leases	44,796		47,060		43,756		45,061		1,305	2.98%
26	Other Expense	15,079		16,900		12,739		13,200		461	3.62%
27	Corporate Overhead Allocation			150,000		150,000		155,000		5,000	3.33%
28	Total Operating Expenses	1,991,744		2,152,704		2,218,594		2,584,323		365,729	16.48%
29	Gross Operating Margin	(56,539)		(222,237)		(287,451)		(267,752)		19,699	6.85%
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30	Depreciation	51,908		53,913		47,314		48,555		1,241	2.62%
31	Corporate Overhead Allocation	-		23,000		23,000		23,800		800	3.48%
32 33	Interest Not Operating Margin	(400 447)		(200 450)		(0ET TOE)		(240 407)		17,658	0.00%
აა	Net Operating Margin	(108,447)		(299,150)		(357,765)		(340,107)		17,658	4.94%
34	Net Income (Loss)	\$ (108,447)	\$	(299,150)	\$	(357,765)	\$	(340,107)	\$	17,658	4.94%
35	Net Oper Margin to Total Oper Rev	-5.60%		-15.50%		-18.53%		-14.68%			
36	Net Income to Total Operating Rev	-5.60% -5.60%		-15.50%		-18.53%		-14.68%			
30	net moome to rotal Operating Kev	-5.60%		-10.00%		-10.55%		-14.00%			
37	Avg FTE's (Employee and Contract)	23.1		18.9		20.0		24.3		4.3	21.50%

PARDEE URGENT CARE CENTER 2009 OPERATING BUDGET ROLL FORWARD FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)

1	Projected 2008 Loss of Revenues Over Expenses	\$ (357,765)
2	Net Patient Revenues	132,538
3	Other Operating Income - Employee Health Services for Hospital	253,000
4	Salaries and Benefits: average wage increase of 3.25% Additional 2.4 FTE's for Employee Health Services Additional 2.0 FTE's for Patient Billing Services	(346,000)
5	Physician Fees	(9,000)
6	Contract Fees - Offset of patient billing salary	90,000
7	Supply expense - For Employee Health Services Test Supplies	(42,000)
8	Training and Travel	(2,500)
9	Maintenance & Repairs - Billing System Maintenance Charges	(10,000)
10	Insurance	(36,000)
11	Corporate Overhead Allocation	(5,800)
12	Depreciation	(1,200)
13	Other	(5,380)
14	Budgeted 2009 Loss of Revenues Over Expenses	\$ (340,107)

PARDEE CARE CENTER

2008 ACTUAL, 2008 BUDGET and 2007 ACTUAL

		FY 2007 Actual	FY 2008 Budget	FY 2008 Actual	FY 2009 Budget
	GROSS PATIENT REVENUE	Actual	Duaget	Actual	Dauget
1	Inpatient Revenue	\$ 10,794,130	\$ 5,619,275	\$ 9,398,825	\$ -
2	Outpatient Revenue	ψ 10,701,100 <u>.</u>	Ψ 0,010,210	Ψ 0,000,020	
3	Total Gross Patient Revenue	10,794,130	5,619,275	9,398,825	-
	REVENUE DEDUCTIONS				
4	Bad Debt	128,827	57,500	66,846	•
5	Medicare/Medicaid	2,212,044	1,311,335	2,359,212	-
6	Managed Care/Comm'l	61,315	15,000	18,285	-
7	Charity	27,048	35,000	-	-
8	Other Deductions	-			
9	Total Revenue Deductions	2,429,234	1,418,835	2,444,343	-
10	Rev Deduct as a % of Gross Rev	22.5%	25.2%	26.0%	
11	Net Patient Service Revenue	8,364,896	4,200,440	6,954,482	P.
12	Other Operating Income	115,631	70,000	88,221	_
13	Total Operating Revenue	8,480,527	4,270,440	7,042,703	
10	Total operating herenic	0,400,021	7,210,770	1,042,100	
	OPERATING EXPENSES				
14	Salaries and Wages	5,129,952	2,831,395	3,976,774	-
15	Employee Benefits	1,514,339	809,447	1,120,497	_
16	Contract Labor	227,746	101,000	628,023	_
17	Physician Fees			-	_
18	Contract Fees	101,875	33,750	46,314	<u>.</u>
19	Billable Supplies	615,647	314,800	471,661	•
20	Miscellaneous Supplies	483,229	252,202	454,380	
21	Minor Equipment	18,493	11,250	21,765	•
22	Training & Travel	8,359	5,800	6,837	_
23	Utilities	217,313	116,959	184,159	
24	Maintenance & Repairs	89,679	48,950	64,293	_
25	Insurance	-	,0,000	-	
26	Rentals & Leases	42,201	18,360	23,595	
27	Other Expense	10,779	5,413	8,439	
28	Total Operating Expenses	8,459,612	4,549,326	7,006,737	
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29	Gross Operating Margin	20,915	(278,886)	35,966	-
30	Depreciation	243,788	119,655	200,207	-
31	Interest	•	· <u>-</u>	•	-
32	Net Operating Margin	(222,873)	(398,541)	(164,241)	-
38	Net Income (Loss)	\$ (222,873)	\$ (398,541)	\$ (164,241)	\$
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39	Net Oper Margin to Total Oper Rev	-2.63%	-9.33%	-2.33%	0.00%
40	Net Income to Total Operating Rev	-2.63%	-9.33%	-2.33%	0.00%
41	Avg FTE's (Employee and Contract)	141.5	75.3	•	•

WESTERN CAROLINA MEDICAL ASSOCIATES 2008 ACTUAL, 2008 BUDGET and 2007 ACTUAL

		FY 2007 Actual	FY 2008 Budget	FY 2008 Projection		2009 dget
	GROSS PATIENT REVENUE	¢.	\$ -	\$ -	\$	_
1	Inpatient Revenue	\$ -	₹ 576,632	577,643	Ψ	_
2	Outpatient Revenue Total Gross Patient Revenue	2,243,182 2,243,182	576,632	577,643		
3	Total Gross Patient Revenue	2,243,102	370,032	017,040		
	REVENUE DEDUCTIONS					
4	Bad Debt	(3,093)	3,975	15,960		-
5	Medicare/Medicaid	527,881	177,385	112,913		
6	Managed Care/Comm'l	160,662	55,664	46,877		-
7	Charity	-	•			-
8	Other Deductions	=		•		-
9	Total Revenue Deductions	685,450	237,024	175,750		-
10	Rev Deduct as a % of Gross Rev	30.6%	41.1%	30,4%		
11	Net Patient Service Revenue	1,557,732	339,608	401,893		
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12	Other Operating Income	4 557 700	200.600	401,893		
13	Total Operating Revenue	1,557,732	339,608	401,093		
	OPERATING EXPENSES					
14	Salaries and Wages	1,242,794	329,224	289,098		-
15	Employee Benefits	362,508	92,640	85,020		-
16	Contract Labor	-	750	3,324		-
17	Physician Fees		-	, •		
18	Contract Fees	172,080	42,270	35,671		-
19	Billable Supplies	42,597	10,025	22,169		-
20	Miscellaneous Supplies	47,518	12,712	9,745		-
21	Minor Equipment	496	350			-
22	Training & Travel	18,800	4,000	667		-
23	Utilities	55,584	11,582	10,962		-
24	Maintenance & Repairs	17,045	1,629	3,140		-
25	Insurance	29,471	7,376	7,368		-
26	Rentals & Leases	142,964	28,934	28,532		-
27	Other Expense	9,436	2,873	954		
28	Total Operating Expenses	2,141,293	544,365	496,650		
29	Gross Operating Margin	(583,561)	(204,757)	(94,757)	····	
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30	Depreciation	12,058	2,127	2,479		-
31	Interest	/EOE 640)	(206.994)	(97,236)		-
32	Net Operating Margin	(595,619)	(206,884)	(97,230)		
38	Net Income (Loss)	\$ (595,619)	\$ (206,884)	\$ (97,236)	\$	
	-					
39	Net Oper Margin to Total Oper Rev	-38.24%	-60.92%	-24.19%		0.00%
40	Net Income to Total Operating Rev	-38.24%	-60.92%	-24.19%		0.00%
41	Avg FTE's (Employee and Contract)	17.2	17.6	•		-

HENDERSON COUNTY HOSPITAL CORPORATION

CAPITAL BUDGET FY 2009

			Funded by	Grants and	FY 2009
Department	Type	Description	Operations	Donations	Budget
Radiology	Biomed	Digital Radiography Suite & Mobile Portable Unit	595,000		595,000
Cardiology	Biomed	Ultrasound System	121,672		121,672
Recovery Room	Biomed	Patient Bedside Monitor (14 ea)	120,000		120,000
Endoscopy	Biomed	Endo Tower: Processor and Light Source (3 ea)	114,000		114,000
Info Technology	IT	Medication Safety (Meditech, Pyxis, BMV and EMAR)	531,000		531,000
Info Technology	IT	Server Virtualization for effective Disaster Recovery	518,000		518,000
Info Technology	IT	Redundant Storage (SAN Duplication / Migration)	200,000		200,000
Info Technology	ΙΤ	Meditech Core System Installation	173,000		173,000
Info Technology	IT	Meditech Clinical Integration (Meditech, OB TraceVue, Dinamap, ED)	155,000		155,000
Accounting	ΙΤ	Healthcare Insights Costing and Clinical Reporting	141,000		141,000
Info Technology	IT	Quality Services IT Implementation of MIDAS/Meditech Interfaces	140,000		140,000
Info Technology	IT	Meditech Physician CPOE - Phase 1 of 2	137,000		137,000
Info Technology	IT	Content Management System and OptiLink Acuity System	136,000		136,000
MD Connect	IT.	MD Connect Software Licensing and Tools (10 ea)	135,250		135,250
Info Technology	IT	Replace Failing/Old IT Hardware - PC's, Printers, Laptops	128,000		128,000
Radiation Therapy	IT	ADAC Pinnacle Planning Computer	108,699		108,699
Info Technology	rr	Network Growth Across All Systems - Phase 1 of 2	100,000		100,000
Orthopaedics	Other	Hill Rom VersaCare Beds (25 ea.) and Traction (35 ea)	327,117		327,117
ICU	Other	ICU Patient Beds - Hill Rom (8ea)	275,103		275,103
Cat Scan	Projects	64 Slice CT Scanner - Unit	1,300,000		1,300,000
Cat Scan	Projects	64 Slice CT Scanner - Construction	455,000		455,000
Engineering	Projects	Patient Room Upgrades (2nd year of 3 year spread)	450,000		450,000
Engineering	Projects	General Upfit FY2009	300,000		300,000
Engineering	Projects	8" Water Line from US64 to Fire Pumps	175,000		175,000
Engineering	Projects	Extend Sprinkler System In Main Hospital	150,000		150,000
Engineering	Projects	Relocate 350kw Generator to the Medical Office Building	100,000		100,000
	Projects	Upgrade Flooring on Ground Floor (Elev A to Day Surgery Hallway)	100,000		100,000
Engineering	Projects	Waiting Room Upgrades Throughout Hospital	100,000		100,000
	Contingency	Contingency - FY2009	800,000		800,000
		Items less than \$100,000	1,413,056		1,413,056
			\$ 7,980,668	\$ 1,518,229	\$ 9,498,897

Previous Year Capital Budgets

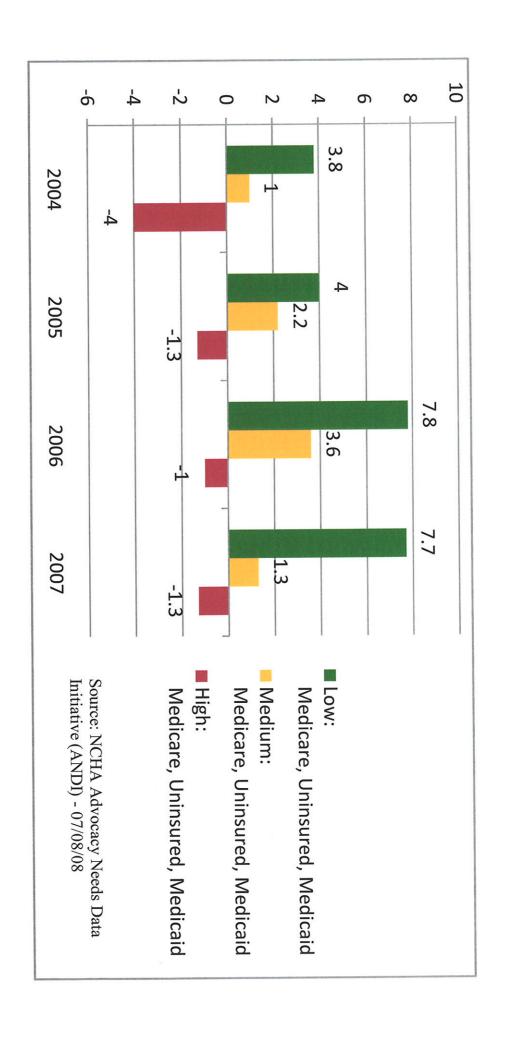
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FY2008	7,430,000	2,070,000	9,500,000
FY2007	7,715,238	1,217,351	8,932,589
FY2006	6,581,444	1,737,356	8,318,800
FY2005			11,828,643

HENDERSON COUNTY HOSPITAL CORPORATION

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF ANY SINGLE NEW OPERATIONAL ITEMS WITH A COST OF \$100,000 OR GREATER

		Total		
Operating	Туре	Agreement		
CT Scan mobile unit rental	Rental Agreement	\$ 240,000		
Transcription outsourcing	Contract Agreement	\$ 226,000		

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Access to Care and Preventive Health

Access to preventive and primary care is critical to assuring the health of our children. The data indicate that enrollment in public insurance programs has grown dramatically and that enrolled children are receiving preventive care. However, it is alarming to note that the uninsured rate for children increased by 12.9 percent between 2002 and 2007, largely because North Carolina has experienced one of the largest decreases of employer-based coverage in the nation. The North Carolina General Assembly has approved an expansion of children's health insurance, called N.C. Kids' Care, but this program cannot be implemented without an increase in federal matching funds, which the current federal administration has not made available. Providing more children with health insurance coverage will serve to further improve the health outcomes of children and, in turn, the health of their communities.

North Carolina's investments in prevention and early intervention have been exemplary. Public insurance enrollment is high, immunization rates are encouraging, the early intervention system for young children with special needs has received national acclaim, exposure to lead continues to diminish and serious chronic illnesses such as asthma are being identified earlier and managed more successfully. Access to dental care has improved somewhat but continues to be a major problem that warrants serious attention.

Health Indicator	Current Year	Benchmark Year	% Change		
Insurance Coverage	2007	2002			
% of all children (age 0-17) uninsured	13.1%	11.6%	12.9%	D	Worse
Number of children (age 0-18) covered by public health insurance (Medicaid or Health Choice)	889,642	664,734	33.8%	В	Better
% of Medicaid-enrolled children (age 0-18) receiving preventive care	76.9%	72.5%	6.1%	В	Better
Breastfeeding ¹	2005	2000			
% ever breastfed	66.2%	66.5%	-0.5%	С	No change
% breastfed at six months	37.5%	29.3%	28.0%	С	Better
Immunization Rates ²	2007	2002			
% of children with appropriate immunizations:					
At age 2	77.3%	69.7%	10.9%	Α	Better
At school entry	96.7%	99.4%	-2.7%	Α	No Change
Early Intervention	2007	2002			
Number of children (age 0-3) enrolled in early intervention services to reduce effects of developmental delay, emotional disturbance and/or chronic illness	15,048	10,264	46.6%	В	Better
Environmental Health	2007	2002			
Lead ³ : % of children (age 12-36 months):				······································	
Screened for elevated blood lead levels	44.9%	36.2%	24.0%	С	Better
Found to have elevated blood lead levels	0.6%	1.9%	-68.4%	В	Better
Asthma ⁴ :					
% of children diagnosed	15.7%	-	n/a	D	n/a
Hospital discharges per 100,000 children (age 0-14)	2006 152.8	2001 203.0	-24.7%	В	Better
Dental Health	2007	2002			
% of children:		***************************************			
With untreated tooth decay (kindergarten)	19.0%	24.0%	-20.8%	D	Better
With one or more sealants (grade 5)	42.0%	37.0%	13.5%	С	Better
% of Medicaid-eligible children:					
Age 1-5 who use dental services	42.6%	16.6%	156.6%	С	Better
Age 6-14 who use dental services	49.3%	37.2%	32.5%	С	Better
Age 15-20 who use dental services	34.3%	25.5%	34.5%	D	Better
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Health Risk Behaviors

Children's health behaviors and risk-taking (sexual activity, poor nutrition, physical inactivity, substance use, violence, etc.) are determined by a variety of factors. Governments, foundations, communities, schools, and adults all play important roles in supporting healthy behaviors among children. Implementing evidence-based programs and policies increases the impact of financial and resource investments and can improve child health outcomes.

Since 2002, there have been some improvements worth noting. The national decline in teen pregnancy rates (for girls age 15-17) continues to be experienced in North Carolina, although the wide racial disparity in the rates is of particular concern. The continued drop in congenital syphilis and the near elimination of perinatal transmission of HIV/AIDS are true public health success stories.

While there have been successes, there are also some areas of serious concern. In particular, the high percentages of overweight children and tobacco, alcohol and substance use among adolescents are troubling. Due to investments in evidence-based programs and policies as well as media outreach led by the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services and the N.C. Health and Wellness Trust Fund, the state has seen large declines in youth tobacco use. The lessons learned from these efforts are helping to shape similar multi-faceted interventions to address the issue of overweight children in North Carolina.

Health Indicator	Current Year	Benchmark Year	% Change	Grade	Trend
Teen Pregnancy	2007	2002			
Number of pregnancies per 1,000 girls (age 15-17):					
All	34.8	38.3	-9.1%	С	Better
White	27.7	30.8	-10.1%	С	Better
All Other Races	47.3	54.2	-12.7%	D	Better
Communicable Diseases	2007	2002			
Number of newly-reported cases:		······································			
Congenital Syphilis at birth	7	16	•	В	-
Perinatal HIV/AIDS at birth	1	3	-	Α	-
Tuberculosis (age 0-19)	41	42	•	С	-
Overweight ^s	2007	2002			
% of low-income children who are overweight:					
Age 2-4	15.3%	13.5%	13.3%	D	Worse
Age 5-11	24.9%	21.1%	18.0%	F	Worse
Age 12-18	29.9%	26.3%	13.7%	F	Worse
Physical Activity	2007	2005			
% of students (grades 9-12) who were physically active for a total of 60 minutes or more per day on five or more of the past seven days	44.3%	45.9%	n/a	D	n/a
Alcohol, Tobacco & Substance Abuse	2007	2003			
% of students (grades 9-12) who used the following in the past 30 days:					
Cigarettes	19.0%	27.3%	-30.4%	D	Better
Smokeless Tobacco	8.6%	9.5%	-9.5%	С	Better
Marijuana	19.1%	24.3%	-21.4%	D	Better
Alcohol (including beer)	37.7%	39.4%	-4.3%	F	No Chang
Cocaine (lifetime)	7.0%	8.4%	-16.7%	F	No Chang
Methamphetamines (lifetime)	4.7%	6.6%	-28.8%	D	No Change

Death and Injury

After dropping in 2006 to the lowest rate ever recorded in North Carolina, the infant death rate increased slightly in 2007. While this important indicator has dropped by a remarkable 25 percent in the past two decades, the rate has been relatively stagnant in recent years, and North Carolina still ranks poorly among all states. The N.C. Department of Health and Human Services, the N.C. Child Fatality Task Force, the March of Dimes, and other agencies are jointly providing increased attention to prematurity and low birthweight, which have been serious, relatively intractable components of infant mortality. The persistently wide racial disparity is cause for grave concern, meriting increased attention.

Similarly, the overall child death rate rose slightly in 2007 after dropping to its lowest level in 2006. This rate has dropped by almost 30 percent in the past two decades, helped largely by the passage of numerous child safety laws during this period. Injuries are the leading cause of death in children. The N.C. Child Fatality Task Force, as well as state and local review teams, continues to explore ways to prevent child deaths. Increases in homicides and firearm-related deaths command increased attention.

In an attempt to deal with child abuse and neglect more effectively, all 100 counties now participate in the Multiple Response System. Since this has changed many data definitions, trend data on assessments and substantiations are not available. However, the recurrence of maltreatment continues to decline, which is encouraging. Child abuse homicide is perhaps the most tragic of all indicators. In 2007, 25 children who were murdered died at the hands of a parent or caregiver.

Health Indicator	Current Year	Benchmark Year	% Change	Grade	Trend
Infant Mortality	2007	2002			
Number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births:					
All	8.5	8.2	3.7%	В	No Change
White	6.3	5.9	6.8%	В	Worse
All Other Races	13,9	14.2	-2.1%	D	No Change
Low Birthweight Infants	2007	2002			
% of infants born weighing 5 lbs., 8 ozs. (2,500 grams) or less:					
All	9.2%	8.9%	3.4%	D	No Change
White	7.5%	7.4%	1.4%	D	No Change
All Other Races	13.8%	13.3%	3.8%	F	No Change
Child Fatality	2007	2002			-
Number of deaths (age 0-17) per 100,000	75. 1	73.8	1.8%	В	No Change
Deaths Due to Injury	2007	2002			
Number of deaths (age 0-17):				***************************************	
Motor vehicle-related	142	174	-	С	•
Drowning	26	23	-	С	<u></u>
Fire/Burn	24	23	•	С	•
Bicycle	4	5	-	В	+
Suicide	26	19	-	D	_
Homicide	61	43	-	F	-
Firearm	52	32	-	F	.
Child Abuse and Neglect (Including Deaths)	2007	2002			
Number of children:					
Receiving assessments for abuse and neglect	121,521	-	n/a	-	n/a
Substantiated as victims of abuse and neglect	14,475	-	n/a		n/a
Found in need of services	13,193	-	n/a	-	n/a
% of children experiencing recurrence of maltreatment within six months	4.09%	7.95%	-49%	В	Better
Confirmed child deaths due to abuse	25	26	-	F	-
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he purpose of the North Carolina Child Health Report Card is to heighten awareness — among policymakers, practitioners, the media and the general public — of the health of children and youth across our state. All of the leading child health indicators are summarized in this one easy-to-read document. This is the 14th annual Report Card, and we hope it will once again encourage everyone concerned about young North Carolinians to see the big picture and rededicate their efforts to improving the health and safety of the children whose lives they affect.

Statewide data are presented for the most current year available (usually 2007) with a comparative year (usually 2002) as a benchmark. Unless otherwise noted, data are presented for calendar years. The specific indicators were chosen not only because they are important, but also because data are available. In time, we hope expanded data systems will begin to produce more comprehensive data that will allow the "picture" of child health and safety to expand. To facilitate review, the indicators have been grouped into three broad categories — Access to Care and Preventive Health, Health Risk Behaviors, and Death and Injury. However, it should be recognized that virtually all of the indicators are interrelated.

"Don't worrry that children never listen to you; worry that they are always watching you." — Robert Fulghum

There are 2.2 million children (age 0-17) in North Carolina, more than ever before. Approximately 20 percent continue to live in poverty. This represents a growing challenge to adults — in the home, in the community, and collectively through government — who are responsible for protecting children from harm and providing opportunities for healthy growth. The data in this *Report Card* serve as indicators of how North Carolina is collectively discharging these responsibilities.

The data provide reason for celebration, tempered by both caution and concern. For the majority of the indicators, the trend is toward improvement, and for several — the immunization rate; the lead poisoning rate; the number of children with access to early intervention services — the data are truly encouraging. For other indicators — the uninsured rate; infant and child death rates; the breastfeeding initiation rate — the data indicate possible stagnation, and this warrants caution. Finally, the data for some indicators — child abuse homicide; access to dental care; overweight children; the use of alcohol, tobacco and illegal substances — reflect unacceptable risks to children and youth, and should be cause for grave concern. When data are available, they indicate that racial disparities remain disturbingly wide.

While North Carolina still has a long way to go, it is heartening that all of the indicators in the *Report Card* are being addressed. Through new safety statutes, additional legislative appropriations, and innovative programs introduced by state and local agencies, North Carolina continues to invest in its children.

Action for Children North Carolina and the North Carolina Institute of Medicine are pleased to support this effort through the production of study reports and participation in evidence-based decision-making. The North Carolina Institute of Medicine has sponsored task force studies on access to care, adolescent health, prevention and many others.

Children are 20 percent of our population, but they are 100 percent of our future. They will soon be our leaders, our producers and our consumers. Now is the time for adults — both collectively and individually — to make the investments that will assure a bright future for our state.

Grades and Trends

Grades are assigned to bring attention to the current status of each indicator of child health and safety. Grades are assigned by a group of health experts from the sponsoring organizations. "A" indicates that the current status is "very good"; "B" is "satisfactory"; "C" is "mediocre"; "D" is "unsatisfactory"; "F" is "very poor."

Data trends are described as "Better," "Worse" or "No Change." Indicators with trends described as "Better" or "Worse" experienced a change of more than 5 percent between the given data points. A percentage change of 5 percent or less between the two years of data is described as "No Change." Percent change and trends have not been given for population count data. Due to data limitations, only the indicators for alcohol and drug use have been tested for statistical significance. Grades and trends are based on North Carolina's performance year-to-year and what level of child health and safety North Carolina should aspire to, regardless of how we compare nationally.

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Data Notes

- 1. **Breastfeeding** has been introduced as an indicator because evidence is growing that breastfeeding decreases the incidence and severity of childhood infectious diseases and is also associated with decreases in the occurrence of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS). The N.C. Department of Health and Human Services has adopted a Blueprint for Action to promote breastfeeding statewide. The Department is collaborating with the N.C. Child Fatality Task Force and the Carolina Breastfeeding Institute to improve this indicator.
- 2. Immunization measured for 2-year-olds is the 4:3:1:3:3:1 series, the current CDC immunization recommendation, which includes four or more doses of DtaP/DTP/DTD, three or more doses of polio virus vaccine, one or more doses of any measles-mumps-rubella vaccine, three or more doses of Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) vaccine, three or more doses of hepatitis B vaccine, and one or more doses of varicella. In previous years of this *Report Card*, the 2-year-old immunization series measured a different immunization series. The Kindergarten data measure the percentage of children meeting the N.C. School Immunization Requirements. More information on the immunization requirements is available online at: http://immunizenc.com/parentsschoolregs.htm.
- 3. **Elevated Blood Lead Leve!** is defined as 10 micrograms per deciliter or greater. The 2007 percentage of 0.6 percent is the lowest ever reported in North Carolina, largely due to awareness campaigns and the continued reduction in exposure to products containing lead, and lead paint in particular.
- 4. **Asthma** remains the leading chronic illness among our children and is also one of the leading health reasons for school absence. The continued, dramatic decline in the hospital discharge rate reflects the success of the Community Care of North Carolina initiative in educating primary care providers and families in the management of the illness.
- 5. **Overweight** is conservatively defined as a body mass index equal to or greater than the 95th percentile using federal guidelines. The children represented in these data are those who receive services in local health departments or school health centers and are primarily low-income. They may not be representative of the state as a whole. These data send an important signal that must be heeded.

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