

Financial Statements
June 30, 2022 and 2021

Love County Health Center dba Mercy Health Love County

A Component Unit of Love County, Oklahoma



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Independent Auditor's Report

The Board of Control Love County Health Center dba Mercy Health Love County A Component Unit of Love County, Oklahoma Marietta, Oklahoma

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Love County Health Center dba Mercy Hospital Love County (Hospital), a Component Unit of Love County, Oklahoma, as of and for the years then ended June 30, 2022 and 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Hospital's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Hospital, as of June 30, 2022 and 2021, and the changes in financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Hospital and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud
 or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include
 examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
 that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
 effectiveness of the Hospital's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that
 raise substantial doubt about the Hospital's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable
 period of time.

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

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by the missing information.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 8, 2023 on our consideration of the Hospital's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Hospital's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Hospital's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Esde Sarlly LLP

March 8, 2023

Love County Health Center dba Mercy Health Love County Statements of Net Position June 30, 2022 and 2021

	2022	2021
Assets		
Current Assets Cash and cash equivalents Restricted cash for Provider Relief Funds Receivables	\$ 4,901,441 964,747	\$ 5,454,032 149,462
Patient, net of estimated uncollectibles of approximately \$1,211,000 in 2022 and \$1,584,000 in 2021 Sales tax Estimated third-party payor settlements Other Supplies Prepaid expenses	1,776,221 375,474 873,422 19,203 291,110 120,695	1,733,048 292,846 - 19,950 318,127 68,135
Total current assets	9,322,313	8,035,600
Capital assets Capital assets not being depreciated Capital assets being depreciated, net	1,161,566 3,574,077	1,142,366 3,791,125
Total capital assets	4,735,643	4,933,491
Total assets	\$ 14,057,956	\$ 12,969,091
Liabilities and Net Position		
Current Liabilities Accounts payable Trade Mercy contract personnel Due to Mercy Other Estimated third-party payor settlements Refundable advance - Provider Relief Funds	\$ 725,239 2,630,292 2,590,236 211,852 - 964,747	\$ 34,507 3,220,345 2,665,906 120,826 643,206 149,462
Total liabilities	7,122,366	6,834,252
Net Position Net investment in capital assets Unrestricted	4,735,643 2,199,947	4,933,491 1,201,348
Total net position	6,935,590	6,134,839
Total liabilities and net position	\$ 14,057,956	\$ 12,969,091

Love County Health Center dba Mercy Health Love County

Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position Years Ended June 30, 2022 and 2021

	2022	2021
Operating Revenues		
Net patient service revenue, net of provision for bad debts		
of \$2,326,637 in 2022 and \$2,104,017 in 2021	\$ 12,712,343	\$ 12,169,302
First Aid and EMS contract revenue	2,184,388	2,000,428
Other revenue	38,938	20,715
Total operating revenues	14,935,669	14,190,445
Operating Expenses		
Nursing services	3,254,218	3,105,231
Other professional services	7,653,571	7,921,322
General services	903,648	919,114
Administrative services	4,244,329	4,562,839
Depreciation	569,266	606,526
Total operating expenses	16,625,032	17,115,032
Operating Loss	(1,689,363)	(2,924,587)
Nonoperating Revenues		
Interest Income	3,287	1,051
Sales tax income	2,111,649	1,711,423
Provider Relief Funds	-	3,945,073
Grants and contributions	10,911	90,689
Transfer from EMS District	364,267	420,519
Net nonoperating revenues	2,490,114	6,168,755
Revenues in Excess of Expenses and		
Change in Net Position	800,751	3,244,168
Net Position, Beginning of Year	6,134,839	2,890,671
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 6,935,590	\$ 6,134,839

Love County Health Center dba Mercy Health Love County Statements of Cash Flows Years Ended June 30, 2022 and 2021

	2022	2021
Operating Activities Receipts from and on behalf of patients Payments to suppliers and contractors Payments to contract personnel Other receipts and payments, net	\$ 11,152,542 (3,560,737) (12,404,537) 2,224,073	\$ 12,467,691 (4,210,018) (11,766,849) 2,173,927
Net Cash used for Operating Activities	(2,588,659)	(1,335,249)
Noncapital Financing Activities Sales taxes received Payments on CMS advance payments Proceeds from refundable advance - Provider Relief Funds Noncapital grants and contributions Transfers from EMS District	2,029,021 - 815,285 10,911 364,267	1,497,377 (4,539,632) 100,000 90,689 420,519
Net Cash from (used for) Noncapital Financing Activities	3,219,484	(2,431,047)
Net Cash used for Capital and Capital Related Financing Activities Purchase of capital assets	(371,418)	(263,148)
Net Cash from Investing Activities Investment income	3,287	1,051
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents	262,694	(4,028,393)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	5,603,494	9,631,887
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 5,866,188	\$ 5,603,494
Reconciliation of Cash and Cash Equivalents to the Statements of Net Position Cash and cash equivalents Restricted cash for Provider Relief Funds	\$ 4,901,441 964,747	\$ 5,454,032 149,462
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,866,188	\$ 5,603,494

Love County Health Center dba Mercy Health Love County Statements of Cash Flows Years Ended June 30, 2022 and 2021

	2022	2021
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash used for		
Operating Activities		
Operating loss	\$ (1,689,363)	\$ (2,924,587)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used for operating activities	, , , ,	, , , , ,
Depreciation	569,266	606,526
Provision for bad debts	2,326,637	2,104,017
Changes in assets and liabilities		
Patient receivables	(2,369,810)	(2,217,589)
Other receivables	747	152,784
Supplies	27,017	(89,289)
Prepaid expenses	(52,560)	33,971
Trade payables	690,732	(48,503)
Mercy contract personnel	(590,053)	178,465
Due to Mercy	(75,670)	395,565
Other payables	91,026	61,430
Estimated third-party payor settlements	(1,516,628)	411,961
Net Cash used for Operating Activities	\$ (2,588,659)	\$ (1,335,249)

Note 1 - Reporting Entity and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the Love County Health Center dba Mercy Health Love County (the Hospital) have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The significant accounting and reporting policies and practices used by the Hospital are described below.

Reporting Entity

The Hospital is a twenty-five bed, short-term, acute care, critical access hospital located in Marietta, Oklahoma. Management of the Hospital is composed of a five-member board of control appointed by the Love County Commissioners. The Hospital has entered into a Management Services Agreement with Mercy Hospital Ardmore, Inc. (Mercy) for a one-year term that is renewable annually. The Hospital is a component unit of Love County, Oklahoma. The Hospital is classified as a political subdivision and is exempt under Section 115 of the Internal Revenue Code and is not required to file federal income tax returns.

For financial reporting purposes, the Hospital has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions, and authorities. The Hospital has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the Hospital are such that the exclusion would cause the Hospital's financial situation to be misleading or incomplete. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the Hospital to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the Hospital.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus refers to when revenues and expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred.

Basis of Presentation

The statement of net position displays the Hospital's assets and liabilities with the difference reported as net position. Net position is reported in the following components:

Net investment in capital assets consists of net capital assets reduced by the outstanding balances of any related debt obligations attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

Restricted net position:

Restricted - expendable net position results when constraints placed on net position use are either externally imposed or imposed through enabling legislation. The Hospital had no restricted, expendable net position at June 30, 2022 and 2021.

Restricted – nonexpendable net position is subject to externally imposed stipulations which require them to be maintained permanently by the Hospital. The Hospital had no restricted, nonexpendable net position at June 30, 2022 and 2021.

Unrestricted net position consists of net position not meeting the definition of the preceding categories. Unrestricted net position often has constraints on resources imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

When an expense is incurred that can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources (net position), the Hospital's policy is to first apply the expense toward the most restrictive resources and then toward unrestricted resources.

Use of Estimates

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

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less, excluding restricted cash. For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Hospital considers all cash with a maturity of three months or less as cash and cash equivalents.

Restricted Cash

Cash that has restrictions which change the nature or normal understanding of availability of the asset is reported separately on the statements of net position. Restricted cash available for obligations classified as current liabilities are reported as current assets.

Patient Receivables

Patient receivables are uncollateralized patient and third-party payor obligations. Patient receivables, excluding amounts due from third-party payors, are turned over to a collection agency if the receivables remain unpaid after the Hospital's collections procedures. The Hospital does not charge interest on the unpaid patient receivables. Payments of patient receivables are allocated to the specific claims identified on the remittance advice or, if unspecified, are applied to the earliest unpaid claim.

The carrying amount of patient receivables is reduced by a valuation allowance that reflects management's estimate of amounts that will not be collected from patients and third-party payors. Management reviews patient receivables by payor class and applies percentages to determine estimated amounts that will not be collected from third parties under contractual agreements and amounts that will not be collected from patients due to bad debts. Management considers historical write off and recovery information in determining the estimated bad debt provision.

Sales Tax

On October 8, 2013, the citizens of Love County, Oklahoma approved a 1% sales tax for a duration of 10 years. The funds are to be used for the equipping, maintaining, and operating the Hospital. The Hospital received approximately 12% and 9% of its financial support from county appropriations related to sales taxes during the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021.

Supplies

Supplies are stated at lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or market and are expensed when used.

Investment Income

Investment income on cash and cash equivalents consists primarily of interest from deposits which are included in nonoperating revenues when earned.

Capital Assets

Property and equipment acquisitions in excess of \$5,000 are capitalized and recorded at cost. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful life of each depreciable asset and is computed using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives of capital assets are as follows:

Land improvements5-25 yearsBuildings & Improvements5-50 yearsEquipment3-20 years

Gifts of long-lived assets such as land, buildings, or equipment are reported as additions to unrestricted net position, and are excluded from revenues in excess of expenses. Gifts of long-lived assets with explicit restrictions that specify how the assets are to be used and gifts of cash or other assets that must be used to acquire long-lived assets are reported as restricted net position.

Operating Revenues and Expenses

The Hospital's statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position distinguishes between operating and nonoperating revenues and expenses. Operating revenues and expenses of the Hospital result from exchange transactions associated with providing health care services - the Hospital's principal activity, and the costs of providing those services, including depreciation and excluding interest cost. All other revenues and expenses are reported as nonoperating.

Net Patient Service Revenue

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

Charity Care

The Hospital provides care to patients who meet certain criteria under its charity care policy without charge or at amounts less than its established rates. Since the Hospital does not pursue collection of amounts determined to qualify as charity care, they are not reported as revenue. The amount of charges foregone for services provided under the Hospital's charity care policy were \$167,079 and \$336,018 for the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021. Total direct and indirect cost related to those forgone charges were approximately \$106,000 and \$235,000 for the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021, based on average ratios of cost to gross charges. The amount of charity care given depends on the number of patients that apply for charity care during the year and the cost of services provided.

Grants and Contributions

The Hospital may receive grants as well as contributions from individuals and private organizations. Revenues from grants and contributions (including contributions of capital assets) are recognized when all eligibility requirements, including time requirements are met. Grants and contributions may be restricted for either specific operating purposes or for capital purposes. Amounts that are unrestricted or that are restricted to a specific operating purpose are reported as nonoperating revenues. Amounts restricted to capital acquisitions are reported after nonoperating revenues.

Supplemental Hospital Offset Payment Program Act

The Supplemental Hospital Offset Payment Program Act (SHOPP), designated as House Bill 1381 (HB 1381), requires a fee on hospitals to generate matching funds to the State of Oklahoma from federal sources. The program is designed to assess Oklahoma hospitals, unless exempt, a supplemental hospital offset payment program fee. The collected fees will be placed in pools and then allocated to hospitals as directed by legislation. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) does not guarantee that allocations will equal or exceed the amount of the supplemental hospital offset payment program fee paid by the hospital.

Critical access hospitals are excluded from paying the supplemental hospital offset fee but are still eligible to receive SHOPP funds. The Hospital records receipts as a reduction in Medicaid contractual adjustments. Future changes in law or regulation at the federal or state level can adversely affect or eliminate SHOPP.

The Hospital received SHOPP funds totaling approximately \$1,154,000 and \$883,000 for the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021, which are included in net patient service revenue.

Note 2 - Net Patient Service Revenue

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

Medicare: The Hospital is licensed as a Critical Access Hospital (CAH). The Hospital is reimbursed for most acute care services under a cost reimbursement methodology with final settlement determined after submission of annual cost reports by the Hospital and are subject to audits thereof by the Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC). The Hospital's Medicare cost reports have been audited by the MAC through the year ended June 30, 2020. Clinical services are paid on a cost basis or fixed fee schedule.

Medicaid: The Hospital is reimbursed for services rendered to patients covered by the state Medicaid program on a prospective per discharge or fee schedule method with no retroactive adjustments. These payment rates vary according to a patient classification system that is based on clinical, diagnostic and other factors.

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

Concentration of gross revenues by major payor accounted for the following percentages of the Hospital's patient service revenues for the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021:

	2022	2021
Medicare	40%	46%
Medicaid	14%	10%
Commercial insurance and other	34%	30%
Self pay	12%	14%
	100%	100%

Laws and regulations governing the Medicare, Medicaid, and other programs are extremely complex and subject to interpretation. As a result, there is at least a reasonable possibility that recorded estimates will change by a material amount in the near term. The net patient service revenue for the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021 decreased approximately \$609,000 and \$357,000 for the difference in amounts collected compared to amounts originally estimated and removal of allowances previously estimated that are no longer necessary as a result of final settlements and adjustments to amounts previously estimated.

Note 3 - Deposits

The carrying amounts of deposits as of June 30, 2022 and 2021 are included in the Hospital's statement of net position as follows:

	2022	2021
Carrying amount Cash and deposits	\$ 5,866,188	\$ 5,603,494
Deposits are reported in the following statement of net position captions:	2022	2021
Cash and cash equivalents Restricted cash for Provider Relief Funds	\$ 4,901,441 964,747	\$ 5,454,032 149,462
	\$ 5,866,188	\$ 5,603,494

Deposits - Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank or investment company failure, the Hospital's deposits may not be returned to it. State statute requires that any deposits in excess of federal depository or other insured amounts be collateralized by U.S. Government securities in the name of the Hospital. Statutes also require that the market value of the collateral be at least 100% of the excess deposits. The Hospital's deposit policy does not further restrict bank deposits or limit investment deposits.

The Hospital's deposits in banks at June 30, 2022 and 2021 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by collateral held by the Hospital's custodial bank in the Hospital's name.

Note 4 - Provider Relief Funds and Other Funding

The Hospital received \$815,285 and \$-0 of Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Provider Relief Funds administered by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) for the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021. The funds are subject to terms and conditions imposed by HHS. Among the terms and conditions is a provision that payments will only be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus and shall reimburse the recipient only for healthcare-related expenses or lost revenues that are attributable to coronavirus. Recipients may not use the payments to reimburse expenses or losses that have been reimbursed from other sources or that other sources are obligated to reimburse. HHS currently has varying deadlines to incur eligible expenses and lost revenues based on the date the Hospital received the funds. Unspent funds will be expected to be repaid.

The Hospital also received \$-0- and \$100,000 through the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act (PPPHCEA) for its rural health clinics to conduct COVID-19 testing and mitigation for the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021. This funding may only be used for conducting COVID-19 testing and related expenses, including building or construction of temporary structures, leasing of properties, and retrofitting facilities as necessary to support COVID-19 testing.

These funds are considered subsidies and recorded as a liability when received and are recognized as revenues in the accompanying statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position as all terms and conditions are considered met. As these funds are considered subsidies, they are considered nonoperating activities. The terms and conditions are subject to interpretation, changes and future clarification, the most recent of which have been considered through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued. In addition, this program may be subject to oversight, monitoring and audit. Failure by a provider that received a payment from the Provider Relief Fund to comply with any term or condition can subject the provider to recoupment of some or all of the payment. As a result, there is at least a reasonable possibility that recorded estimates will change by a material amount in the near term.

As of June 30, 2022 and 2021, the Hospital had a liability of \$964,747 and \$149,462, which was included in refundable advance - Provider Relief Funds on the accompanying statements of net position, as well as restricted cash totaling \$964,747 and \$149,462, which is subject to the restrictions imposed by HHS. During the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021, the Hospital recognized \$- and \$3,945,073 as revenue included as nonoperating revenues on the statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position.

Note 5 - Capital Assets

Capital assets additions, retirements, transfers and balances for the years ended June 30, 2022 are as follows:

		Balance June 30, 2021		dditions		ers and ments		Balance June 30, 2022
Capital assets not being depreciated	Ś	1,142,366	\$	19,200	\$	_	Ś	1,161,566
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Capital assets being depreciated								
Land improvements	\$	735,973	\$	-	\$	-	\$	735,973
Building and improvements		5,170,782		-		-		5,170,782
Equipment		7,624,000		352,218		-		7,976,218
Total capital assets		12 520 755	خ	252 240	ċ			12 002 072
being depreciated		13,530,755	\$	352,218	\$			13,882,973
Less accumulated depreciation for								
Land improvements		(365,468)	\$	(43,643)	\$	_		(409,111)
Building and improvements		(2,687,186)	•	(250,929)		_		(2,938,115)
Equipment		(6,686,976)		(274,694)		-		(6,961,670)
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Total accumulated								
depreciation		(9,739,630)	\$	(569,266)	\$			(10,308,896)
Net capital assets								
being depreciated	\$	3,791,125					\$	3,574,077
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Capital assets, net	\$	4,933,491					\$	4,735,643

Capital assets additions, retirements, transfers and balances for the years ended June 30, 2021 are as follows:

		Balance June 30, 2020		Additions		Transfers and Retirements		Balance June 30, 2021
Capital assets not being depreciated Land Construction in progress	\$	1,135,151 -	\$	7,215 6,952	\$	- (6,952)	\$	1,142,366 -
Total capital assets not being depreciated	\$	1,135,151	\$	14,167	\$	(6,952)	\$	1,142,366
Capital assets being depreciated Land improvements Building and improvements Equipment	\$	729,463 5,081,283 7,464,076	\$	6,510 89,499 152,972	\$	- - 6,952	\$	735,973 5,170,782 7,624,000
Total capital assets being depreciated		13,274,822	\$	248,981	\$	6,952		13,530,755
Less accumulated depreciation for Land improvements Building and improvements Equipment		(319,198) (2,430,396) (6,383,510)	\$	(46,270) (256,790) (303,466)	\$	- - -		(365,468) (2,687,186) (6,686,976)
Total accumulated depreciation		(9,133,104)	\$	(606,526)	\$			(9,739,630)
Net capital assets being depreciated	\$	4,141,718					\$	3,791,125
Capital assets, net	\$	5,276,869					\$	4,933,491

Note 6 - Emergency Medical Services Contract

The Hospital has a one-year contract with Love County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Board of Trustees to operate ambulance services to the County's residents. The EMS Board of Trustees transfers property tax revenues received to the Hospital as compensation for the services provided under the EMS contract. The contract may be renewed annually upon mutual consent of both parties. Included in nonoperating revenue for the years June 30, 2022 and 2021, is \$364,267 and \$420,519 for services rendered under the contract.

Note 7 - Chickasaw Nation Contracts

The Hospital currently has contracts with the Chickasaw Nation to provide onsite Brigade Services (First Aid) and Emergency Medical Services (Ambulance) at the Winstar Casino located in Thackerville, Oklahoma and Riverwind Casino located in Norman, Oklahoma. For the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021, the Hospital received \$1,058,662, and \$867,352, under the Emergency Medical Service contract. For the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021, the Hospital received \$1,125,726, and \$1,133,076, under the Brigade Services contract.

Note 8 - Management Agreement

The Hospital is currently managed by Mercy. The management agreement is renewed annually on July 1 for the succeeding 12-month period. The management agreement was renewed on July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. The Hospital is to pay an annual payment of \$290,000 during the first fiscal quarter and a payment of \$30,000 per month. The Hospital contracts with Mercy for all its personnel. The Hospital incurred expenses totaling \$15,229,463 and \$14,210,863 for contracted salary and benefits, management fees and other professional services for the years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021. As of June 30, 2022 and 2021, the Hospital owes Mercy \$5,220,528 and \$5,886,251 for contracted salary and benefits, management fees and other professional services.

Note 9 - Concentrations of Credit Risk

The Hospital grants credit without collateral to its patients, most of whom are area residents and are insured under third-party payer agreements. The mix of receivables from third-party payors and patients at June 30, 2022 and 2021 was as follows:

	2022	2021
Medicare	23%	27%
Medicaid	5%	3%
Commercial insurance and other	54%	38%
Self pay	18%	32%
	100%	100%

Note 10 - Contingencies

Risk Management

The Hospital is exposed to various risks of loss from torts; theft of, damage, of assets; business interruptions; errors and omissions; employee injuries and illnesses; natural disasters; and employee health, dental, and accident benefits. Commercial insurance coverage is purchased for claims arising from such matters other than employee health claims. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the three preceding years.

Malpractice Insurance

The Hospital has malpractice insurance coverage to provide protection for professional liability losses on a claims-made basis subject to a limit of \$1 million per claim and an annual aggregate limit of \$3 million. Should the claims-made policy not be renewed or replaced with equivalent insurance, claims based on occurrences during its term, but reported subsequently, would be uninsured.

Litigations, Claims, and Disputes

The Hospital is subject to the usual contingencies in the normal course of operations relating to the performance of its tasks under its various programs. In the opinion of management, the ultimate settlement of any litigation, claims, and disputes in process will not be material to the financial position, operations, or cash flows of the Hospital.

The health care industry is subject to numerous laws and regulations of federal, state, and local governments. Compliance with these laws and regulations, specifically those relating to the Medicare and Medicaid programs, can be subject to government review and interpretation, as well as regulatory actions unknown and unasserted at this time. Federal government activity has increased with respect to investigations and allegations concerning possible violations by health care providers of regulations, which could result in the imposition of significant fines and penalties, as well as significant repayments of previously billed and collected revenues from patient services.

COVID-19 Pandemic

The last several years, the world-wide coronavirus pandemic impacted national and global economies. The Hospital is closely monitoring its operations, liquidity and capital resources and is actively working to minimize the current and future impact of this unprecedented situation. As of the date of issuance of these financial statements, the current and future full impact to the Hospital is not known.



Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

The Board of Control Love County Health Center dba Mercy Health Love County Marietta, Oklahoma

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Love County Health Center dba Mercy Health Love County (Hospital), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Hospital's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 8, 2023.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

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

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses to be material weaknesses: 2022-001 through 2022-003.

A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiency described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses to be a significant deficiency: 2022-004.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Hospital's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as item 2022-005.

Hospital's Response to Findings

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

Purpose of this Report

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

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Esde Saelly LLP

March 8, 2023

Findings – Financial Statements Audit – Internal Controls over Financial Reporting

Material Weaknesses

2022-001 Preparation of Financial Statements

Criteria: A properly designed system of internal control over financial reporting includes the preparation of an entity's financial statements and accompanying notes to the financial statements by personnel of the entity. Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control over financial reporting and procedures related to the fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

Condition: The Hospital does not have an internal control system designed to provide for the preparation of the financial statements, including the accompanying footnotes and statement of cash flows, as required by GAAP. As auditors, we were requested to draft the financial statements and accompanying notes to the financial statements. In addition, material misstatements to the financial statements, including a material adjustment to net position was identified.

Cause: This weakness is due to the limited resources in the financial reporting process due to budgetary constraints and not all material service agreements were in writing.

Effect: The effect of this condition is that year end financial reporting is prepared by a party outside of the Hospital. The outside party does not have constant contact with the ongoing financial transactions that internal staff have. Furthermore, it is possible that new standards may not be adopted and applied timely to interim financial statements. Additionally, the financial statements required material adjustments.

Auditor's Recommendation: We recommend that management continue reviewing operating procedures in order to obtain the maximum internal control over financial reporting possible under the circumstances to enable staff to draft the financial statements internally and correct errors. Also, the Hospital should include written agreements between parties to ensure proper accounting is followed.

Views of Responsible Officials: Given the staffing levels of the Hospital, we do not think it would be cost-effective to fully cure this deficiency at this time. In addition, given the complex and constantly changing nature of financial reporting requirements, we believe that better results can be achieved by continuing to rely on the expertise of our outside auditors regarding these matters.

2022-002 Cost Report Estimate

Criteria: A properly designed system of internal control over financial reporting allows entities to initiate, record, process and report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Condition: The allowance calculation for the Medicare cost report settlement was not properly estimated during the year.

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Cause: A misstatement to the internal financial statements was not prevented or detected on a timely basis in the normal course of business. Therefore, there was an adjusting journal entry at year end to properly state estimated third party payor settlements.

Effect: Interim financial statements may not be properly stated. A material audit adjustment was made to estimated third party payor settlements.

Auditor's Recommendation: We recommend that a process is put in place to ensure the estimate for the Medicare cost report settlement is being made at year end and periodically throughout the year as determined necessary by management.

Views of Responsible Officials: Management will work to analyze these accounts and determine the proper course of action on the accounts.

2022-003 Patient Receivable Valuation

Criteria: Accounting standards require an entity to estimate an allowance on the collectability of receivables. The allowance should be based on historical data as well as a review of the specific financial situation and payment factors related to individual accounts.

Condition: The allowance calculations for patient receivable valuations were not properly estimated during the year.

Cause: The deficiency was caused by the need to update the patient receivable valuation.

Effect: Interim financial statements may not be properly stated. Material audit adjustments were made to patient allowance accounts.

Auditor's Recommendation: We recommend the Authority regularly review the amounts used to calculate allowances against current payment trends throughout the year and at year end.

Views of Responsible Officials: Management will develop and implement a model to evaluate allowances, which will be monitored and adjusted as needed on an ongoing basis.

Significant Deficiency

2022-004 Cash Account Not Recorded

Criteria: Identifying rights and obligations of assets and liabilities and having processes in place to properly void transactions which do not occur are necessary steps in the Hospital's internal control process.

Condition: During the course of our engagement, we identified a bank account on the Hospital's bank confirmation that was not recorded in the general ledger.

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Cause: The Hospital does not periodically validate bank accounts.

Effect: The general ledger missing a cash account for which the hospital has rights.

Auditor's Recommendation: We recommend management review the process for ensuring completeness of cash accounts.

Views of Responsible Officials: Management will review and revise cash procedures and processes.

Deficiency in Internal Control Over Compliance

2022-005 Maintenance of Insurance

Criteria: The emergency medical service, fire services and first aid agreements require excess insurance or umbrella policy for claims in excess of \$4 million dollars.

Condition: During the course of the audit, it was discovered that the Hospital did not have the required insurance policy.

Cause: The Hospital did not purchase the required amount of excess insurance or umbrella policy for claims in excess of \$4 million dollars.

Effect: The Hospital is not in compliance with provisions of the service contracts.

Auditor's Recommendation: We recommend that the Hospital obtain required insurance coverage.

Views of Responsible Officials: We agree with the auditor's recommendation