FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

LAFOURCHE PARISH HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO.1

d/b/a LADY OF THE SEA GENERAL HOSPITAL

JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Chairman and Board of Commissioners Lafourche Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 d/b/a Lady of the Sea General Hospital Galliano, Louisiana

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Lafourche Parish Hospital Service District No. 1, State of Louisiana, Parish of Lafourche, d/b/a Lady of the Sea General Hospital a component unit of the Lafourche Parish Council (Hospital), as of and for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Hospital's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Hospital, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and its cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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 audit. 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 generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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 Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require 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 this missing information.

Supplementary Information

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated December 20, 2024 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, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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.

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LANGLINAIS BROUSSARD & KOHLENBERG (A Corporation of Certified Public Accountants) Abbeville, Louisiana

December 20, 2024

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30,

ASSETS		
	2024	2023
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 2,189,691	\$ 3,128,966
Investments	30,015,255	26,577,813
Accounts Receivable, Net of Allowance for doubtful accounts of		
\$1,779,915 in 2024 and \$1,927,909 in 2023, respectively	1,568,043	1,335,158
Due from Third Party Payors	3,755,711	4,036,156
Inventories	969,460	954,438
Prepaid Expenses	1,194,934	748,227
Total Current Assets	39,693,094	36,780,758
SSETS WHOSE USE IS LIMITED:		
By Board	15,366,369	22,477,249
By Bond for Indenture Reserves - Debt Service Funds	1,069,732	350,293
Total Assets Whose Use is Limited	16,436,101	22,827,542
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:		
Property, Plant, and Equipment, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	35,992,351	20,578,030
THER ASSETS:		
Other Receivables, Net of Estimated Uncollectibles		
of \$25,000 in 2024 and 2023, respectively	9,811,877	3,976,627
Other Assets	214,659	214,659
Total Other Assets	10,026,536	4,191,286
OTAL ASSETS	\$ 102,148,082	\$ 84,377,616

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30,

LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	2023	
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt	\$ 1,733,547	7 \$ 274,542
Credit Balances	149,985	
Accounts Payable	3,119,682	·
Accrued Salaries, Benefits and Related Withholdings	1,277,223	
Due to Third Party Payors	111,364	·
Interest Payable	174,409	
Accrued Self-Insurance	68,858	
Total Current Liabilities	6,635,068	3,322,078
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES: Capital Lease Obligations	329,966	74,671
General Obligation Bonds - Series 2013	730,000	
General Obligation Bonds - Series 2022	13,600,000	
Total Long-Term Liabilities	14,659,966	16,029,671
OTHER LIABILITIES:		
Deferred Inflows of Resources		14,172,912
TOTAL LIABILITIES	21,295,034	33,524,661
NET POSITION		
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	19,598,838	4,273,817
Restricted Net Position (Expendable)	1,069,732	350,293
Unrestricted Net Position	60,184,478	46,228,845
TOTAL NET POSITION	80,853,048	50,852,955
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	\$ 102,148,082	\$ 84,377,616

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION		FOR THE YEA	RS EN	DED JUNE 30,
		2024		2023
OPERATING REVENUES:				
Net Patient Service Revenues Before Provision for				
Doubtful Accounts	\$	22,381,853	\$	19,658,803
Provision for Doubtful Accounts	-	(1,035,520)		(632,900
Net Patient Service Revenues After Provision for				•
Doubtful Accounts		21,346,333		19,025,903
340B Outside Pharmacy Revenue		766,131		1,072,153
Net Community Pharmacy Revenue		9,446,543		8,065,115
Intergovernmental Revenue-Operating		3,387,589		2,681,360
Other Operating Revenue		122,585		104,109
Total Operating Revenues		35,069,181		30,948,640
OPERATING EXPENSES:				
Salaries		15,250,598		13,341,524
Employee Benefits		3,232,450		3,263,921
Purchased Services		3,657,692		2,855,793
Supplies and Other		14,722,775		11,567,295
Depreciation and Amortization		1,207,024		1,077,009
Total Operating Expenses		38,070,539		32,105,542
LOSS FROM OPERATIONS		(3,001,358)		(1,156,902)
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):				
Income on Investments Whose Use is Limited:				
Indenture Agreement and Board for Indenture Reserves		3,898		2,786
Grant Income		1,442,648		521,509
Interest Income		2,368,612		1,455,767
Interest Expense		(697,901)		(522,188)
Taxes:				
Bond - Restricted to Bond Retirement Fund		273,876		315,826
Maintenance		1,177,794		1,427,618
Insurance/FEMA Proceeds, net of disposed assets		28,707,031		8,996,744
Hurricane Ida expense		(274,507)		(267,732)
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)		33,001,451		11,930,330
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		30,000,093		10,773,428
TOTAL NET POSITION, BEGINNING		50,852,955		40,079,527

TOTAL NET POSITION, ENDING

\$ 80,853,048

\$ 50,852,955

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS	 FOR THE YEARS	ENDED JUNE 30,
	2024	2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	 	
Receipts from and on behalf of patients	\$ 13,051,021	\$ 19,495,819
Receipts from 340B Program - Outside Pharmacy	739,337	696,303
Receipts from Intergovernmental Grant Agreement	3,268,430	2,666,516
Receipts from Community Pharmacies	9,443,803	7,969,647
Receipts from Other Operating Sources	122,585	104,109
Payments to Suppliers	(17,036,324)	(13,457,692)
Payments to Employees for Salaries, Benefits and Related Costs	(17,727,909)	(16, 426, 725)
Net Cash Flow Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities	 (8,139,057)	1,047,977
CASH FLOWS FROM NON-CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Ad Valorem Taxes - Debt Service	273,876	315,826
Ad Valorem Taxes - Maintenance	1,177,794	1,427,618
Insurance Proceeds, Net of related Hurricane expenses	 13,898,405	9,817,615
Net Cash Provided by Non-Capital Financing Activities	 15,350,075	11,561,059
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Proceeds from Grant Revenue	1,442,648	521,509
Interest Paid on Long-Term Debt	(695,346)	(366, 290)
Proceeds from the Issuance of Long-Term Debt	372,820	15,274,543
Repayment of Long-Term Debt	 (282,712)	(824, 156)
Net Cash Provided by Capital and Related Financing Activities	 837,410	14,605,606
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchases of Capital Assets	(16,621,294)	(13,949,743)
Proceeds from Sale of Investments	3,870,000	965,772
Purchase of Investments	(5,000,360)	(8,322,751)
Interest Income	 2,372,510	1,458,553
Net Cash (Used in) Investing Activities	 (15,379,144)	(19,848,169)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(7,330,716)	7,366,473
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR, INCLUDING \$350,293		
AND \$127,962, LIMITED TO USE FOR 2024 AND 2023, RESPECTIVELY	 10,590,139	3,223,666
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR, INCLUDING \$1,069,732		
AND \$350,293, LIMITED TO USE FOR 2024 AND 2023, RESPECTIVELY	\$ 3,259,423	\$ 10,590,139

STATEMENT	OF	CASH	FLOWS
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CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	 2024	2023
Operating Loss	\$ (3,001,358)	\$ (1,156,902)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash		
Used in Operating Activities		
Depreciation and Amortization	1,207,024	1,077,009
Provision for Doubtful Accounts	1,035,520	632,900
Increase in Accounts Receivable	(1,202,756)	(1,005,908)
Increase (Decrease) in Due to/from Third Party Payors	280,445	(1,319,467)
Increase (Decrease) in Other Receivables	(7,781,984)	2,304,673
Increase in Inventories and Prepaids	(461,729)	(513,040)
Increase in Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	1,789,027	1,031,867
Decrease in Other Current Liabilities	 (3,246)	(3,155)
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities	\$ (8, 139, 057)	\$ 1,047,977

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF REPORTING ENTITY AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity. Lafourche Parish Hospital Service District No. 1, State of Louisiana, d/b/a Lady of the Sea General Hospital, a component unit of the Lafourche Parish Council (Hospital) is an acute care facility created pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Title 46, Chapter 10, and Ordinance No. 863 of Lafourche Parish Council adopted January 27, 1953. It is the Hospital's mission to provide its community with high quality care and education in a friendly, caring and professional manner.

The administration of the Hospital is governed by a Board of Commissioners consisting of five members appointed by the Lafourche Parish Council in accordance with the terms of office set forth in Louisiana Revised Statute 46:1053 and in Section 24:300 (C) of Sub-Chapter "G" of the Code of Ordinance of the Lafourche Parish Council.

As the governing authority of the parish, for reporting purposes, the Lafourche Parish Council is the financial reporting entity for Lafourche Parish. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government (Council), (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

GASB Codification Sections 2100, 2600, and J50 (formerly GASB 14) established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the reporting entity for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include:

- 1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and
 - a. the ability of the Council to impose its will on that organization and/or
 - b. the potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the Council.
- 2. An organization for which the Council does not appoint a voting majority but is fiscally dependent on the Council.
- 3. An organization for which the reporting entity's financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

Because the Council appoints all the members of the Hospital's governing board and can impose its will on the Hospital, the Hospital was determined to be a component unit of the Lafourche Parish Council. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the Hospital and do not present information on the council, the general government services provided by that government unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

Accounting Standards. The financial statements of the Hospital have been prepared in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

Proprietary Fund Accounting. The Hospital utilizes the proprietary fund method of accounting and follows guidance in GASB Codification Section P80. Revenues and expenses are recognized on the accrual basis using the economic resources measurement focus. Substantially all revenues and expenses are subject to accrual. The basic financial statements include Statement of Net Position, Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, and Statement of Cash Flows.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF REPORTING ENTITY AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONT

Cash and Cash Equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents include investments in highly liquid debt instruments with a maturity of three months or less, excluding amounts whose use is limited by board designation, other arrangements under trust agreements, or with third-party payors.

Assets Whose Use is Limited. Assets whose use is limited include assets set aside by the Board of Commissioners for future capital improvements and future indenture agreements, over which the Board retains control and may at its discretion subsequently use for other purposes; assets set aside in accordance with agreements with third-party payors; and assets held by trustees under indenture agreements and self-insurance trust agreements.

Inventory. Inventory is valued at the lower of cost or market using the first-in, first-out method.

Capital Assets. Capital assets are carried at cost or, if donated, at fair value at date of donation. Capital Assets are defined by the Hospital as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an initial useful life of three years or greater. Depreciation is computed by the straight-line method over the assets' estimated useful lives generally ranging from 3 to 40 years. Equipment under lease is stated at the sum of the initial measurement of the lease liability plus any payments made to the lessor at or before the commencement of the lease term plus initial direct cost necessary to place the lease asset in service. Leased equipment is amortized on the straight-line method over the shorter of the lease term or estimated useful lives of the assets. Subscription-based information technology arrangement is stated at the sum of the initial measurement of the subscription liability plus any payments made to the lessor at or before the commencement of the subscription term plus initial direct cost necessary to place the subscription asset in service. Subscription-based information technology arrangements are amortized on the straight-line method over the shorter of the subscription term or estimated useful lives of the assets.

Net Position. GASB 63 and GASB Codification Section P80, states that net position is equal to assets plus deferred outflows of resources less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net position classifications are defined as follows:

Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt excludes unspent debt proceeds.

Restricted Net Position consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets. Assets may be restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through external constraints imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted Net Position consists of net position that does not meet the definition of the two preceding categories.

The Hospital first applies restricted resources when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

Costs of Boxrowing. Interest cost incurred on borrowed funds during the period of construction of capital assets is capitalized as a component of the cost of acquiring those assets. Interest earned on these borrowed funds, before the funds are spent on the construction of the capital assets, is also capitalized.

Investments. Investments, including assets limited as to use, are recorded at fair value in accordance with GASB Codification Section I50.105, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Investments. Investments in equity securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities, including those classified as assets limited as to use, are

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF REPORTING ENTITY AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONT

measured at fair value in the Statement of Net Position. Securities traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates. Investment income, including realized gains and losses on investments, interest and dividends, and changes in unrealized gains and losses are included in non-operating income. Investments in associated companies are accounted for by the equity method of accounting under which the Hospital's

share of the net income of the associated companies is recognized as income in the Hospital's statement of activities and added to the investment account. Dividends and distributions received from the associated companies are treated as a reduction of the investment account.

Use of Estimates. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates. See the disclosure regarding Net Patient Service Revenue below for further discussion of significant estimates involving the revenue recognition methods of the Hospital.

Net Patient Service Revenue and Related Receivables. 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. The Hospital provides care to patients even though they may lack adequate insurance or may be covered under contractual arrangements that do not pay full charges. As a result, the Hospital is exposed to certain credit risks. The Hospital manages such risk by regularly reviewing its accounts and contracts, and by providing appropriate allowances.

Patient receivables are carried at original charge amount less an estimate made for doubtful receivables based on a review of all outstanding amounts on a timely basis. Management estimates the allowance for doubtful accounts by identifying troubled accounts and by using historical experience applied to an aging of accounts. Patient receivables are written off when deemed uncollectible. Recoveries of patient receivables previously written off are recorded when received.

Non-Direct Response Advertising. The Hospital expenses advertising costs as incurred.

Compensated Absences. Employees of the Hospital are entitled to paid time off depending on their length of service and other factors. Accrued compensated absences included as a component of accrued salaries, benefits and related withholdings on the Hospital's Statement of Net Position for June 30, 2024 and 2023, was \$571,297 and \$395,834, respectively.

Grants and Contributions. From time to time, the Hospital receives grants and contributions from individuals or private and public organizations. Revenues from grants and contributions (including contributions of capital assets) are recognized when all the 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 non-operating revenues. Amounts restricted to capital acquisitions are reported after non-operating revenues and expenses.

Operating Revenues and Expenses. The Hospital's Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position distinguishes between operating and non-operating revenues and expenses. Operating revenues result from exchange transactions associated with providing health care services, the Hospital's principal activity. Non-exchange revenues, including taxes, grants, and contributions received for purposes other than capital asset acquisition, are reported as non-operating revenues. Operating expenses are all expenses incurred to provide health care services, other than financing costs.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF REPORTING ENTITY AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONT

Ad Valorem Taxes. Property taxes were levied on January 1, on property values assessed on that date. Notices of tax liability are mailed on or about November 1, of the same year and are due and payable at that time. All unpaid taxes levied become delinquent January 1, of the following year. Property tax revenues are recognized in the same fiscal year within which they are billed because they are considered "available" in that period. "Available" includes those property tax receivables expected to be collected within sixty days after year end.

Property taxes are collected through the local sheriff and remitted, net of collection fees, to the Hospital. The sheriff's office is responsible for collection, including establishing lien, levy and due dates of property taxes.

Income Taxes. The Hospital is a political subdivision and exempt from taxes. The hospital is required to file Form 990-T for the retail pharmacies.

Environmental Matters. Due to the nature of the Hospital's operations, materials handled could lead to environmental concerns. However, at the time, management is not aware of any environmental matters which need to be considered.

Reclassifications. To be consistent with current year classifications, some items from the previous year have been reclassified with no effect on net position.

NOTE 2 - MAJOR SOURCE OF REVENUE

The Hospital participated in the Medicare and Medicaid programs as a provider of medical services to program beneficiaries. The Hospital derived approximately 41% and 44% of its gross patient service revenue for June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, from patients covered by the Medicare and Medicaid programs.

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE - PATIENTS

Accounts receivable are reduced by an allowance for doubtful accounts. In evaluating the collectability of accounts receivable, the Hospital analyzes its history and identifies the trends for each of its major payor sources of revenue to estimate the appropriate allowance for doubtful accounts and provision for bad debts. Management regularly reviews data about these major payor sources of revenue in evaluating the sufficiency of the allowance for doubtful accounts. For receivables associated with services provided to patients who have third-party coverage, the Hospital analyzes contractually due amounts and provides an allowance and a provision for bad debts, if necessary. For receivables associated with Medicaid, Commercial and Self-pay patients, the Hospital records a significant provision for bad debts in the period of service based on its experience and on the age of the receivables balance. The aged balance indicates that third-party claims have reached an age where the probability of payment is low and the self-pay patients are unable or unlikely to pay the portion of their bill for which they are financially responsible. The difference between the standard rates and the amounts collected after all reasonable collection efforts have been exhausted is charged off against the allowance for doubtful accounts.

Patients Accounts Receivable consists of the following:

	2024	2023
Total Patients Accounts Receivable	\$ 5,059,788	\$ 4,995,649
Less: Allowances for Doubtful Accounts and Contractual Allowances	3,491,745	3,660,491
Net Patient Accounts Receivable	\$ 1,568,043	\$ 1,335,158

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

NOTE 4 - NET PATIENT SERVICE REVENUE

The Hospital has agreements with third-party payors that provide for payments to the Hospital at amounts different from established rates. Payment arrangements include prospectively determined rates-per-discharge, 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 a future period as final settlements are determined.

The primary third-party programs include Medicare and Medicaid, which account for a significant amount of the Hospital's revenue. The laws and regulations under which Medicare and Medicaid programs operate are complex, and subject to interpretation and frequent changes. As part of operating under these programs, there is a possibility that government authorities may review the Hospital's compliance with these laws and regulations. Such review may result in adjustments to program reimbursement previously received and subject the Hospital to fines and penalties. Although no assurance can be given, management believes it has complied with the requirements of these programs.

A summary of the payment arrangements with major third-party payors follows:

Medicare. The Hospital is paid for inpatient and outpatient services rendered to Medicare program beneficiaries under cost-based reimbursement methodology. These rates vary according to a patient classification system that is based on clinical, diagnostic, and other factors. The retrospectively determined classification of patients and the appropriateness of the patients' admissions are subject to validation reviews by a Medicare peer review organization, which is under contract with the Hospital to perform such reviews. The Hospital files a year end cost report with Medicare to determine final settlement. This cost report is subject to audit by the Medicare fiscal intermediary.

The Hospital's Medicare cost reports have been settled by the Medicare fiscal intermediary through June 30, 2021.

Medicaid. Inpatient care services rendered to Medicaid program beneficiaries are paid at prospectively determined rates per day. Certain outpatient services rendered to Medicaid program beneficiaries are reimbursed under a cost reimbursement methodology. The Hospital is reimbursed at a tentative rate with final settlement determined after submission of annual cost reports by the Hospital and audits thereof by the Medicaid fiscal intermediary. The Hospital's Medicaid cost reports have been settled by the Medicaid fiscal intermediary through June 30, 2016. Retroactive adjustments are accrued on an estimated basis in the period the related services are rendered and adjusted in future periods, as settlements are determined.

The Louisiana Legislature, through the Healthcare Reform Act of 2007 and Act 1 of 2010, tasked the Department of Health and Hospitals to create a new system of care. In response, the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH) reformed its reimbursement methodology for Medicaid patients from a fee-for-service system to the use of a Coordinated Care Network (CCN). During 2011, the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals enabled certain third-party payor companies to contract with providers under the Coordinated Care Network methodology. The Hospital is currently contracted and enrolled with payors participating in the Coordinated Care Network. Cost reports are filed with these CCNs and are subject to audit.

Commercial. The Hospital has entered into payment agreements with certain commercial insurance carriers, health maintenance organizations and preferred provider organizations. The basis for payment under these agreements includes prospectively determined rates-per-discharge, discounts from established charges and prospectively determined daily rates.

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NOTE 4 - NET PATIENT SERVICE REVENUE, CONT

For uninsured patients that do not qualify for charity care, the Hospital recognizes revenue based on its standard rates for services provided. Based on historical experience, a significant portion of the Hospital's uninsured patients will be unable or unwilling to pay for the services provided. Thus, the Hospital records a significant provision for bad debts related to uninsured patients in the period the services are provided. Patient service revenue, net of contractual allowances and discounts, recognized in the period from these major sources, is as follows.

Net Patient Service Revenue by Payor before Provision for Doubtful Accounts:

• •	2024	2023
Medicare	\$ 1,527,692	\$ 1,334,494
Medicaid	9,160,950	8,104,252
All Other Payors	11,693,211	10,220,057
Total Net Patient Service Revenue Before		
Provision for Doubtful Accounts	\$ 22,381,853	\$ 19,658,803
The following schedule represents total Net Patient	Service Revenue: 2024	2023
Gross Patient Service Revenue	\$ 42,034,648	\$ 36,749,685
Less: Contractual Adjustments	19,652,795	17,090,882
Net Patient Service Revenue Before	 	
Provision for Doubtful Accounts	22,381,853	19,658,803
Provision for Doubtful Accounts	1,035,520	632,900
Net Patient Service Revenue After		_
Provision for Doubtful Accounts	\$ 21,346,333	\$ 19,025,903

NOTE 5 - PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant, and equipment, by major category, is as follows:

June 30, 2024

	Asset				
	Life in	Beginning			Ending
	Years	Balance	Additions	Deletions	Balance
Land Improvements	10 - 20	\$ 226,650	\$ 280,499	\$ -	\$ 507,149
-		•	•	•	•
Building	10 - 20	16,820,419	17,301,086	7,775,283	26,346,222
Major Movable Equipment	5 - 20	2,980,149	2,380,655	10,480	5,350,324
Right of Use Assets		448,804	372,820	-	821,624
Software Subscriptions		92,566	_	-	92,566
Intangible Assets		1,460,433	-	-	1,460,433
Total Cost		22,029,021	20,335,060	7,785,763	34,578,318
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		13,448,114	1,111,049	6,437,496	8,121,667
Less: Accumulated Depreciation-ROU Asset		235,118	95,975	-	331,093
Less: Accumulated Amortization-Subscription	Software	92,566	-	-	92,566
Gross Accumulated Depreciation		13,775,798	1,207,024	6,437,496	8,545,326
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net		8,253,223	19,128,036	1,348,267	26,032,992
Land		566,374	-	-	566,374
Construction in Progress		11,758,433	16,470,578	18,836,026	9,392,985
Net Property, Plant, and Equipment		\$ 20,578,030	\$ 35,598,614	\$ 20,184,293	\$ 35,992,351

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NOTE 5	-	PROPERTY,	PLANT,	AND	EQUIPMENT,	CONT

June 30, 2023									
_	Asset Life in Years	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance				
Land Improvements	10 - 20	\$ 226,650	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 226,650				
Building	10 - 20	14,751,578	2,068,841	~	16,820,419				
Major Movable Equipment	5 - 20	2,407,972	656,728	84,551	2,980,149				
Right of Use Assets	5 - 20	448,804	-	~	448,804				
Software Subscriptions		92,566	-	~	92,566				
Intangible Assets		1,444,683	15,750	~	1,460,433				
Total Cost		19,372,253	2,741,319	84,551	22,029,021				
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		12,550,647	947,577	50,110	13,448,114				
Less: Accumulated Depreciation-ROU Asset		145,357	89,761	-	235,118				
Less: Accumulated Amortization-Subscription So	ftware	52,895	39,671	_	92,566				
Gross Accumulated Depreciation	,	12,748,899	1,077,009	50,110	13,775,798				
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net		6,623,354	1,664,310	34,441	8,253,223				
Land Construction in Progress		566,374 515,567	- 13,063,775	- 1,820,909	566,374 11,758,433				
Net Property, Plant, and Equipment		\$ 7,705,295	\$ 14,728,085	\$ 1,855,350	\$ 20,578,030				

Depreciation expense for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 was \$1,207,024 and \$1,077,009, respectively.

On August 29, 2021, Hurricane Ida made landfall on the Louisiana Gulf Coast. The storm severely impacted the southeast Louisiana region, and the Hospital suffered significant damage from the storm. At the present time, the total loss to the Service District and the amount of reimbursement is unknown

As of the balance sheet date, the Hospital has made a decision to demolish the hospital and are in the process of building a new hospital in its place. The estimated completion of this project is December 2025.

The Hospital has recognized \$30,044,159 and \$9,098,486 in FEMA and insurance proceeds for the years ending June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Deferred revenue was \$0 and \$14,172,912 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt at June 30, 2024 and 2023 consisted of the following:		
	2024	2023
General Obligation Bonds dated October 3, 2013, original amount of \$3,000,000 bearing interest of 3.38%, maturing serially on March 1, of each year beginning in 2014, with interest payable March 1, and September 1, of each year beginning in 2014, with the final maturity on March 1, 2028. The bonds are collateralized by the		
Hospital's ad valorem tax revenues.	\$ 955,000	\$ 1,175,000
Hurricane Recovery Revenue Bond, Series 2022, Dated October 27, 2022, Interest Rate 4.30% per annum, Interest Payable each April		
and October, Maturing October 1, 2032	15,000,000	15,000,000
Right of Use Obligation, Konica Minolta Bizhub 4752, payable in 60		
monthly installments at a 1.58% interest rate, maturity in 2025	69,124	124,225

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NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM DEBT, CONT					
Right of Use Obligation, Pitne installments at a 1.47% interest				1,275	4,988
Right of Use Obligation, GE He installments at a 3.62% interes			У	368,114	
Total Debt Less: Current Portion Long-Term Debt Scheduled repayments on long-te	rm debt are as t	Follows:		16,393,513 1,733,547 14,659,966	16,304,213 274,542 \$ 16,029,671
beneauted tepayments on tong te		•			
	June	e 30, 2024			
2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030 - 2034 Total		Princ: \$ 1,733 1,783 1,844 1,922 1,739 7,370 \$ 16,393	3,547 3,504 1,367 2,858 2,237 1,000	Interest \$ 667,447 590,041 509,403 424,903 340,172 571,148 \$ 3,103,114	Total \$ 2,400,994 2,373,545 2,353,770 2,347,761 2,079,409 7,941,148 \$ 19,496,627
	June	30, 2023			
2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 - 2033 Total		Principa \$ 274 1,677 1,716 1,770 1,840 9,025 \$ 16,304	,542 ,914 ,757 ,000 ,000	Interest \$ 683,978 630,393 559,827 486,810 410,800 905,849 3,677,657	Total \$ 958,520 2,308,307 2,276,585 2,256,810 2,250,800 9,930,849 \$ 19,981,871
A summary of debt activity for	the year ended :	is as follows:			
		Additions	Reductions	Ending	Due Within One Year
General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013 Hurricane Recovery Bond Series 2022 Lease Obligations Total	\$ 1,175,000 15,000,000 129,213 16,304,213	\$ - 372,820 372,820	\$ 220,000 - 63,520 283,520	\$ 955,000 15,000,000 438,513 16,393,513	\$ 225,000 1,400,000 108,547 1,733,547
	Jur	ne 30, 2023			
	Beginning	Additions	Reductions	Ending	Due Within One Year
General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013 Hurricane Recovery Bond Series	\$ 1,385,000	\$ -	\$ 210,000	\$ 1,175,000	\$ 220,000
2022 Certificate of Indebtedness Subscription Liability Lease Obligations	520,000 40,570 182,799	15,000,000	520,000 40,570 53,586	15,000,000	54,542
Total	2,128,369	15,000,000	824,156	16,304,213	274,542

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NOTE 7 - CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK

The Hospital grants credit without collateral to its patients, most of whom are locals and are insured under third-party payor agreements. The mix of gross receivables from patients and third-party payors at June 30, 2024 and 2023 are as follows:

	2024	2023
Medicare		7%
Medicaid	22%	22%
Commercial and other third-party payors	42%	41%
All others	29%	30%
Total	100%	100%

NOTE 8 - CASH FLOWS SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Cash and cash equivalents as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, consist of the following:

	2024	2023
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 2,189,691	\$ 3,128,966
Assets Limited to Use By Board	_	7,110,880
Assets Limited to Use By Bond	1,069,732	350,293
Total	\$ 3,259,423	\$ 10,590,139

Total interest paid by the Hospital was \$695,346 and \$366,290 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

NOTE 9 - COMMITMENTS

Employment Contracts. The Hospital has employment contracts with multiple physicians, which expire at varying times. These agreements generally provide for a base salary or hourly rate in return for services provided, and incentive compensation based on practice income as defined in the individual agreements. The agreements stipulate the circumstances under which termination may occur. The terms of some of the agreements, however, stipulate that in the case of termination without cause, the Hospital is obligated to provide reduced base salary payments for varying monthly periods as is defined in the agreements.

NOTE 10 - DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN AND PENSION PLAN

The Hospital has a 403 (b) plan where qualifying employees may defer certain amounts of their salary.

Effective November 1, 1995, all full-time employees who had one year of continuous service are eligible to participate in the Hospital's retirement plan. The plan is a defined contribution, money purchase plan. The plan is voluntary and there is no requirement for employees to contribute to the plan. The employee contribution has a maximum set at 20% of base pay, or other guidelines as required by tax code. Part-time employees can participate in the plan but are limited to only employee contributions. Employees are 100% vested at the time of their enrollment so there are no forfeitures.

The Hospital funds the plan based on a percentage of eligible employees' annual salary. This percentage is determined by the Board annually and is currently 3.25%. There is no prior funding required. The Hospital's contribution to the plan for June 30, 2024 and 2023 was \$315,820 and \$333,260, respectively. At June 30, 2024 and 2023, the amount due to the plan was \$55,707 and \$6,182, respectively.

The hospital also has the Lady of the Sea General Hospital 457(b) plan which was enacted on October 1, 2008. The Hospital incurs no cost under this plan. The plan allows for pre-tax deferrals of income

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NOTE 10 - DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN AND PENSION PLAN, CONT

for chief officers, nurse practitioners, physicians, physician assistants, and directors. The plan is voluntary and there is no requirement for employees to contribute to the plan. These employees are eligible to participate in the plan on their first day of employment and are 100% vested at the time of their enrollment.

NOTE 11 - CONTINGENCIES AND RISK MANAGEMENT

The Hospital is exposed to various risks of loss related to tort; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

The Hospital is a member of two separate trust funds established by the Louisiana Hospital Association that encompass self-insurance of (1) Hospital professional liability and comprehensive general liability and (2) Statutory workers' compensation. The Hospital continues to carry commercial insurance for all other risks of loss.

The Hospital participates in the State of Louisiana patient compensation fund (the fund). The fund provides malpractice coverage to the Hospital for claims in excess of \$100,000 up to \$500,000. According to current state law, medical malpractice liability (exclusive of future medical care awards) is limited to \$500,000 per occurrence. The management of the Hospital has no reason to believe that the Hospital will be prevented from continuing its participation in the fund.

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

Workers' Compensation. The Hospital also participates in the Louisiana Hospital Association Self Insurance Workmen's Compensation Trust fund. Should the fund's assets not be adequate to cover claims made against it, the Hospital may be assessed its pro rata share of the resulting deficit. It is not practical to estimate the amount of additional assessments, if any, and the costs

associated with any such assessments are treated as period expenses at the time they are assessed. The trust fund presumes to be a "grantor trust" and, accordingly, income and expenses are prorated to member hospitals. The Hospital has included these allocations and equity amounts assigned to the Hospital by the trust fund in its financial statements.

Self-Insurance for Health Insurance. The Hospital elected to self-insure employee and eligible dependent health claims. The self-insured claims are processed through a plan administrator. The Hospital's self-insured plan has stop-loss insurance coverage for claims in excess of \$100,000 per individual per plan year and \$35,000 in the aggregate for claims in excess of the individual stop-loss. Prior to this election, the Hospital maintained commercial insurance coverage for health claims.

Laws and Regulations. The healthcare industry is subject to numerous laws and regulations of federal, state, and local governments. Compliance with such laws and regulations can be subject to future government review and interpretation, as well as regulatory actions unknown or unasserted at this time. These laws and regulations include, but are not limited to, accreditation, licensure, government health care program participation requirements, reimbursement for patient services, and Medicare and Medicaid fraud and abuse. Recently, government activity has increased with respect to investigations and allegations concerning possible violations of fraud and abuse statutes and regulations by health care providers.

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NOTE 11 - CONTINGENCIES AND RISK MANAGEMENT, CONT

Violations of these laws and regulations could result in exclusion from government health care program participation, together with the imposition of significant fines and penalties, as well as significant repayment for past reimbursement for patient services received. While the Hospital is subject to similar regulatory reviews, management believes the outcome of any such regulatory review will not have a material adverse effect on the Hospital's financial position.

NOTE 12 - BANK DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes authorize the Hospital to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, certificates or other obligations of the United States of America, and time certificates of deposit of state banks organized under the laws of Louisiana and national banks having the principal office in the State of Louisiana. The hospital must follow Louisiana state statues regarding collateralization. Per Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1225, the amount of the security shall at all times be equal to one hundred percent of the amount of collected funds on deposit to the credit of each depositing authority except that portion of the deposits insured by any governmental agency insuring bank deposits which is organized under the laws of the United States.

At June 30, 2024 and 2023, the Hospital had bank balances as follows:

	2024	2023
Insured (FDIC) Collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial	\$ 561,999	\$ 568,883
Institutions' trust department in the hospital's name	3,325,889 3,887,888	11,207,926 11,776,809
Carrying Value	\$ 3,698,932	\$ 11,663,761

For June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, investment income and gains on assets limited as to use, cash equivalents, and other investments are comprised of the following:

	2024	2023
Interest Income	\$ 3,898	\$ 2,786

Investments consists of assets held in The Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP) which is an investment pool established as a cooperative endeavor to enable public entities of the State of Louisiana to aggregate funds for investment. It is administered by Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Incorporated, a nonprofit corporation, which is subject to the regulatory oversight of the Treasurer of the State of Louisiana. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in accordance with LA R.S. 33:2955. LAMP is designed to be highly liquid and prepares its own interest rate risk disclosure using the weighted average maturity (WAM) method. The WAM of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 60 days and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days. Investments are reported at fair value on the Statement of Net Position. The fair value for these investments is not materially different from its reported amounts.

At year end, the Hospital's investment balances were as follows:

Market	Amount
2024	2023
15,381,624	\$ 41,944.182

Carrying

LAMP (AAAm/Standard & Poor)

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NOTE 12 - BANK DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS, CONT

Fair Value of Financial Instruments.

FASB Accounting Standards Codification Topic 820, "Fair Value Measurements (Topic 820)". Topic 820 requires disclosures that stratify balance sheet amounts measured at fair value based on the inputs used to derive fair value measurements.

These levels are:

Level 1 - inputs are based upon adjusted quoted prices for identical instruments traded in active markets.

Level 2 - inputs are based upon quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active, and model-based valuation techniques for which all significant assumptions are observable in the market or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of assets or liabilities.

Level 3 - inputs are generally unobservable and typically reflect management's estimate of assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. The fair values are therefore determined using model-based techniques that include option pricing models, discounted cash flow models, and similar techniques.

All investments are based on Level 1 inputs. The hospital relies on the valuation procedures and methodologies of the external managers hired specifically to invest in such securities or in strategies which employ such securities.

NOTE 13 - ASSETS LIMITED AS TO USE

On October 3, 2013, the Hospital issued General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$3,000,000, which required restricted cash to be held in the form of a sinking fund. Section 9.1 of the Series 2013 bond document requires the following cash reservation:

Sinking Fund (a) For the payment of the principal of and the interest on the Bonds, the issuer will maintain a special fund, to be held by the regularly designated fiscal agent of the issuer (the "sinking" fund), into which the issuer will deposit the proceeds of the aforesaid tax...and no other moneys whatsoever...funds fully sufficient to pay promptly the principal and interest falling due on such date.

On October 20, 2022, the Hospital issued General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$15,000,000, which required restricted cash to be held in the form of a sinking fund. Section 9 of the Series 2022 bond document requires the following cash reservation:

Sinking Fund. For the payment of the principal of and the interest on the Bonds, there is hereby created a special fund known as "Hurricane Recovery Revenue Bonds (2022) Sinking Fund," said Sinking Fund to be established and maintained with the regularly designated fiscal agent bank of the Issuer The Issuer shall deposit in the Sinking Fund on or before the 20th day of each month of each year, (i) commencing November 20, 2022, a sum equal to one sixth (1/6) of the interest falling due on the next Interest Payment Date, and (ii) commencing October 20, 2023, one-twelfth (1/12) of the principal falling due on the next principal payment date.

Assets limited as to use that are required for obligations classified as current liabilities are reported in current assets. The composition of assets limited as to use at June 30, 2024 and 2023, are as follows:

Under Indenture Agreement:
Debt Service Funds

\$ 1,069,732 \$ 350,293

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NOTE 14 - CHARITY CARE

The Hospital provides services without charge or at amounts less than its rates to patients who meet the criteria of its charity care policy. The criterion for charity care considers items such as family income, net worth, extent of financial obligations for healthcare services, etc. Because the Hospital does not pursue collection of amounts determined to qualify as charity care, such amounts are not reported in revenue.

The Hospital maintains records to identify and monitor the level of charity care it provides. These records include the amount of charges foregone for services and supplies furnished under its charity care policy. Charges forgone, based on established rates, were approximately \$87,126 and \$96,762 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Management estimates that approximately \$57,503 and \$62,895 of costs were related to charity care for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. This estimate is based on a ratio of total cost to gross patient charges applied to gross uncompensated charges associated with providing care to charity patients.

NOTE 15 - NET POSITION

Net position for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 are as follows:

	2024	2023
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted for: Bond Indenture (expendable)	\$ 19,598,838 1,069,732	\$ 4,273,817 350,293
Unrestricted	60,184,478	46,228,845
Total Net Position	\$ 80,853,048	\$ 50,852,955

NOTE 16 - GRANT REVENUE

The Hospital entered into a cooperative endeavor agreement (CEA) with a regional public rural hospital (Grantor) whereby the Grantor awards as an intergovernmental transfer (IGT) to be used solely to provide adequate and essential medically necessary and available healthcare services to the Hospital's service population subject to the availability of such grant funds. The aggregate IGT grant income is \$3,387,589 and \$2,681,360 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. The Hospital recognized non-operating grant income of \$411,534 and \$281,283 from Medicare and Medicaid for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, as an incentive for implementing electronic health records (EHR). The key component of receiving the EHR incentive payments is "demonstrating meaningful use" which is meeting a series of objectives that make use of an EHR's potential related to the improvement of quality, efficiency, and patient safety. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid has indicated that demonstrating meaningful use will be phased in in three stages, with each progressive stage incorporating more stringent measures. The Hospital's policy is to record the incentive payments once various stages have been met rather than recognizing ratably throughout the attestation period. To receive the incentive payments under each stage, a hospital must attest through a secure mechanism that they have met the meaningful use criteria. The EHR payments each year are based on management's best estimate.

The payments can be retained, and additional payments can be earned for each stage if the Hospital meets certain criteria in future implementation. The EHR incentive payments are reimbursed at a tentative rate with final settlement determined after submittal of the annual cost reports and audits thereof by the fiscal intermediaries.

Various other grants were received during the year for other uses.

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NOTE 17 - 340B DRUG PROGRAM

The Hospital participates in the 340B Drug Pricing Program through the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). Eligible patients receiving care from the Hospital may receive reduced pricing on certain prescriptions if filled with an outside retail pharmacy which is contracted with the Hospital. Gross revenue recognized from 340B outside pharmacies for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 were \$766,131 and \$1,072,153, respectively.

NOTE 18 - RETAIL PHARMACY REVENUE

On January 8, 2015, the Hospital opened Lady of the Sea Community Pharmacy in Larose, Louisiana. On July 1, 2015, the Hospital opened Lady of the Sea Community Pharmacy in Cut Off, Louisiana. Net revenues for the pharmacies are shown on the face of the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position. Net revenues are as follows:

	2024	2023
Gross Pharmacy Revenue	\$ 20,472,445	\$ 19,108,872
Less: Contractual Adjustments	11,025,990	11,043,757
Net Community Pharmacy Revenue	\$ 9,446,543	\$ 8,065,115

The Lady of the Sea Community Pharmacy participates in the 340B drug pricing program for eligible patients of the Hospital.

NOTE 19 - GOVERNMENTAL REGULATIONS

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

Legislation and regulation at all levels of government have affected and are likely to continue to affect the operation of the Hospital. It is not possible currently to determine the impact on the Hospital of government plans to reduce Medicare and Medicaid spending, government implementation of national and state healthcare reform or market-initiated delivery system and/or payment methodology changes. However, such changes could have an adverse impact on operating results, cash flows and estimated debt service coverage of the Hospital in future years.

NOTE 20 - RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

As of the date of this report, there were no new pronouncements that affect the Hospital.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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NOTE 21 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In preparing these financial statements, the Hospital has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through December 20, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

PATIENT SERVICE REVENUES

	2024		2023
Cardiopulmonary	\$ 87,6	47 \$	104,767
Central Supply	128,3	46	125,742
Clinics	6,997,2	50	6,368,295
Dialysis	2,641,7	08	1,918,680
EKG	374,5	36	272,462
Emergency Room	9,164,2	02	7,684,564
Home Health	881,2	78	924,291
Laboratory	11,198,1	34	9,418,511
Med/Surg	34,6	12	2,915
Observation	8,1	20	(2,688)
Operating Room	-		(2,041)
Pharmacy	1,380,2)3	1,265,042
Radiology	6,529,2		6,013,378
Therapy	2,609,3	<u> </u>	2,655,767
GROSS PATIENT SERVICE REVENUE	42,034,6	18	36,749,685
Contractual Adjustments	(19,652,79	95)	(17,090,882)
NET PATIENT SERVICE REVENUE BEFORE PROVISION FOR			
DOUBTFUL ACCOUNTS	\$ 22,381,85	3 \$	19,658,803

OTHER OPERATING REVENUES	FOR THE YEA	ARS END	ED JUNE 30,
	 2024		2023
Medical Records Revenue	\$ 25,722	\$	47,575
Miscellaneous Rebate Income	 49,648 47,215		44,069 12,465
Total Other Operating Revenue	\$ 122,585	\$	104,109

SALARIES BY DEPARTMENT	FOR THE YEAR	S ENDED JUNE 30,
	2024	2023
Administration	\$ 938,964	\$ 661,256
Business Office	495,120	312,338
Cardiopulmonary	394,643	317,357
Clinic Administration	256,460	278,960
Education - Infection Control	61,694	59,997
Emergency Room	1,467,097	1,399,962
ER Doctors	1,386,464	1,458,671
General Accounting	213,882	156,657
Home Health	441,164	366,555
Home Health Nursing Services	441,104	(1,892
Housekeeping	142,555	101,636
Human Resource and Risk Management	34,000	146,944
Information Technology	412,938	378,311
Laboratory	767,676	616,134
Learning Center	3,360	-
Maintenance	361,332	283,412
Medical Records	192,633	150,200
Medical/Surgical	308,306	
Other	14	21,080
Pharmacy	356,580	339,832
Pharmacy Cut Off	1,006,448	997,537
Pharmacy Larose	605,149	507,778
Public Relations	103,105	76,989
Purchasing	227,436	145,172
Radiology	668,180	544,644
Renal Dialysis	362,409	282,041
Rural Health Clinics	4,002,962	3,739,492
Ultrasound	40,027	461
Fotal Salaries	\$ 15,250,598	\$ 13,341,524

	2024	2023	
Disability Insurance	\$ 79,349	\$ 81,912	
Hospitalization	1,695,870	1,837,716	
Life Insurance	14,251	14,152	
Pension Expense	315,820	333,260	
Scholarships	12,000	26,000	
Social Security	1,045,907	897,424	
Workers' Compensation	64,777	71,564	
Other	4,476	1,893	
Total Employee Benefits	\$ 3,232,450	\$ 3,263,921	

PURCHASED SERVICES BY DEPARTMENT

<i>,</i>	. 2024	2023	
Administration	\$ 833,273	\$ 596,047	
Business Office	56,254	59,378	
Cardiopulmonary	22,110	21,794	
Clinic Pharmacy	19,721	23,905	
Dialysis	86,548	48,947	
Emergency Room	399,276	183,860	
Freestanding Health Clinics	18,050	2,335	
Home Health	121,138	133,423	
Information Technology	3,855	6,483	
Laboratory	207,554	156,887	
Maintenance	212,423	6,054	
Materials Management	16,025	(1,514)	
Medical Clinic	1,295	-	
Medical Records	6,355	1,820	
Medical/Surgical	21,443	(2,840)	
Nutritional Services	139,193	-	
Outpatient Rehab	707,188	738,462	
Pharmacy	38,103	28,800	
Pharmacy - LaRose	20,795	18,560	
Radiology	100,215	154,137	
Rural Health Clinics	470,722	482,374	
Social Services	270		
340B - Outside Pharmacy	155,886	196,881	
Total Purchased Services	\$ 3,657,692	\$ 2,855,793	

SUPPLIES AND OTHER EXPENSES BY DEPARTMENT

	2024	2023	
Administration	\$ 1,583,052	\$ 1,313,357	
Anesthesia	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(1,024)	
Business Office	94,117	32,215	
Cardiopulmonary	68,954	33,471	
Dialysis	377,792	453,464	
Dietary	81,635	-	
Education	5,976	18,575	
Emergency Room	539,243	379,034	
Freestanding Health Clinics	1,248	1,857	
General Accounting	104,655	100,957	
Home Health	79,728	104,059	
Housekeeping	82,492	33,176	
Human Resources	6,643	8,238	
ICU	-	(191)	
Information Technology	134,476	70,250	
Laboratory	744,923	506,647	
Laundry	~-	894	
Maintenance	164,177	96,726	
Medical Clinic	(5,239)	10,257	
Medical Records	45,334	29,106	
Medical/Surgical	307,566	14,160	
Operating Room	176	(4,563)	
Outpatient Rehab	35,360	35,560	
Pharmacy	164,533	233,190	
Pharmacy - Larose	2,973,018	2,157,654	
Pharmacy - Cutoff	4,669,964	3,836,149	
Public Relations	117,194	88,089	
Purchasing	89,080	56,520	
Radiology	638,025	388,640	
Rural Health Clinics	1,218,218	1,157,388	
Utilization Management	3,370	2,584	
340B Outside Pharmacy	397,065	410,856	
Total Supplies and Other	\$ 14,722,775	\$ 11,567,295	

GOVERNING BOARD EXPENSES

FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30,

The Board of Commissioners receive no compensation for serving on the Board.

SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

JUNE 30,

	 2024	2023
LLOYD GUIDRY		
Salary	\$ 200,676	\$ 16,254
Benefits-Insurance	7,647	648
Benefits-Retirement	6,205	518
Benefits-Disability/Life	2,447	99
Travel	 91	
	\$ 217,066	\$ 17,519
	2024	2023
KAREN COLLINS	 	
Salary	\$ -	\$ 183,101
Benefits-Insurance	_	4,929
Benefits~Retirement		5,336
Benefits-Disability/Life	_	1,024
Travel	 	 465
	\$ -	\$ 194,855



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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

Chairman and Board of Commissioners Lafourche Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 d/b/a Lady of the Sea General Hospital Galliano, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Lafourche Parish Hospital Service District No. 1, State of Louisiana, Parish of Lafourche, d/b/a Lady of the Sea General Hospital, a component unit of the Lafourche Parish Council (Hospital), as of and for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Hospital's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 20, 2024.

REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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 opinion 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.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying "Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs and Management's Corrective Action Plan", as items (Findings 2024-1 through 2024-2) that we consider to be material weaknesses.

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Hospital's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect in the of 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 identified no findings of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

LAFOURCHE PARISH HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1'S RESPONSE TO FINDINGS

The Hospital's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying "Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs and Management's Corrective Action Plan". 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 it.

PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

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

This report is intended for the information and use of the Board of Commissioners and management of the Hospital, others within the organization, federal awarding agencies, and the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

Sincerely,

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Abbeville, Louisiana

December 20, 2024

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS AND MANAGEMENT'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

For the year ended June 30, 2024

We have audited the financial statements of Lafourche Parish Hospital Service District No. 1, State of Louisiana, Parish of Lafourche, d/b/a Lady of the Sea General Hospital, a component unit of the Lafourche Parish Council (Hospital), as of and for the years ended June 30, 2024, and 2023, respectively, and have issued our report thereon dated December 20, 2024.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards of the United States and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the provisions of OMB Circular A-133. Our audit of the financial statements as of June 30, 2024, and 2023, respectively, resulted in an unmodified opinion.

Section I: Summary of Auditor's Reports

A, Report on Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements:

Internal Control

Material Weaknesses: Significant Deficiencies: Yes No

Compliance:

Compliance Material to Financial Statements

No

Section II: Financial Statement Findings

Material Weaknesses

Finding 2024-1 Bond Sinking Fund Under Reserved

Condition and Criteria: The 2022 Bond for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 was under reserved.

Cause: Amounts were not transferred into the debt sinking fund account in a timely manner.

Effect: The bond reserve account was under reserved at year end.

Recommendation: As per the bond covenant agreement, the Hospital should reserve each month one-sixth of the interest due on the next payment date and one-twelfth of the principal falling on the next principal payment date.

Management Response: Management will follow the bond covenant agreement. This practice is already in place for FY 2025.

Finding 2024-2 Proposed Audit Adjustments

Condition and Criteria: The proposed audit adjustments for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 had material effects on the financial statements.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS AND MANAGEMENT'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

For the year ended June 30, 2024

Cause: Cost report settlements were not available for recording as of the date of the hospital financial close period.

Effect: The accounting department has a limited amount of time to review the year end closing adjustments.

Recommendation: The hospital should consider extending its closing date for the year end to allow time for a comprehensive review to be performed by the CFO so that all non-cost report related adjustments can be made in a timely manner. The proposed audit adjustments should be reviewed by knowledgeable hospital personnel and approved before posting.

Management Response: Management acknowledges there are proposed audit entries for the fiscal year end. June financials are kept open for additional months beyond year end. End of year financials are presented as preliminary until final audit entries, including cost report entries, are recorded. After cost report preparation, the end of year financials are presented as final. We do not prepare the cost report in-house, so we have no way of recording these entries until completion of the cost report by the audit firm.

Section III: Management Letter Items

There are no management letter items at June 30, 2024.

LAFOURCHE PARISH HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1 d/b/a LADY OF THE SEA GENERAL HOSPITAL

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Section I - Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

Finding 2023-1 Segregation of Duties

The authorization, recording, and reconciling of transactions as well as the custody of assets related to those transactions are not adequately segregated in the purchasing and receiving cycles and general accounting function.

Status: Resolved.

Finding 2023-2 Proposed Audit Adjustments

The proposed audit adjustments for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 had material effects on the financial statements.

Status: Unresolved. See Finding 2024-2.

Finding 2023-3 Bank Reconciliations

Year-end bank reconciliations were not completed in a timely manner.

Status: Resolved



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the Chairman and Board of Commissioners Lafourche Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 d/b/a Lady of the Sea General Hospital Galliano, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures described in Schedule A – Procedures and Results, which were agreed to by Lafourche Parish Hospital Service District No.1, d/b/a Lady of the Sea General Hospital (Hospital), a component unit of Lafourche Parish Council, State of Louisiana, and on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. The Hospital's management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

The Hospital has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated findings are described in Schedule A – Procedures and Results.

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

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

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

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Abbeville, Louisiana December 20, 2024

Schedule A - Procedures and Results

1) Written Policies and Procedures

- A. Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe whether they address each of the following categories and subcategories if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations:
 - i. **Budgeting**, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget. Result: Policy provided included all of the above functions.
 - ii. **Purchasing**, including (1) how purchases are initiated, (2) how vendors are added to the vendor list, (3) the preparation and approval process of purchase requisitions and purchase orders, (4) controls to ensure compliance with the Public Bid Law, and (5) documentation required to be maintained for all bids and price quotes.

 Result: Policy provided included all of the above functions.
 - iii. **Disbursements**, including processing, reviewing, and approving. Result: Policy provided included all of the above functions.
 - iv. *Receipts/Collections*, including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions (e.g., periodic confirmation with outside parties, reconciliation to utility billing after cutoff procedures, reconciliation of traffic ticket number sequences, agency fund forfeiture monies confirmation).

 Result: Policy provided included all of the above functions.
 - v. **Payroll/Personnel**, including (1) payroll processing, (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, and (3) approval process for employee rates of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.

 Result: Policy provided included all of the above functions.
 - vi. *Contracting*, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process. Result: Policy provided included all of the above functions.
 - vii. *Travel and Expense Reimbursement*, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.

 Result: Policy provided included all of the above functions.
 - viii. Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, purchase cards, if applicable), including (1) how cards are to be controlled, (2) allowable business uses, (3) documentation requirements, (4) required approvers of statements, and (5) monitoring card usage (e.g., determining the reasonableness of fuel card purchases).

 Result: Policy provided included all of the above functions.
 - ix. *Ethics*, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 42:1111-1121, (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place, (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations, and (4) a requirement that documentation is

maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy.

Result: Policy provided included all of the above functions

- x. **Debt Service**, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements. Result: Policy provided included all of the above functions
- xi. Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity, including (1) identification of critical data and frequency of data backups, (2) storage of backups in a separate physical location isolated from the network, (3) periodic testing/verification that backups can be restored, (4) use of antivirus software on all systems, (5) timely application of all available system and software patches/updates, and (6) identification of personnel, processes, and tools needed to recover operations after a critical event.

 Result: Policy provided included all of the above functions
- xii. *Prevention of Sexual Harassment*, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

 Result: Policy provided included all of the above functions

2) Board or Finance Committee

- A. Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and
 - i. Observe that the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.
 - Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - ii. For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe whether the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on all special revenue funds.

 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - iii. For governmental entities, obtain the prior year audit report and observe the unassigned fund balance in the general fund. If the general fund had a negative ending unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report, observe that the minutes for at least one meeting during the fiscal period referenced or included a formal plan to eliminate the negative unassigned fund balance in the general fund.

 Result: Procedure not applicable; no negative unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report.
 - iv. Observe whether the board/finance committee received written updates of the progress of resolving audit finding(s), according to management's corrective action plan at each meeting until the findings are considered fully resolved.

 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

3) Bank Reconciliations

- A. Obtain a listing of entity bank accounts for the fiscal period from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the entity's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select 4 additional accounts (or all accounts if less than 5). Randomly select one month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for each selected account, and observe that:
 - i. Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated or electronically logged);

 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - ii. Bank reconciliations include written evidence that a member of management or a board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation within 1 month of the date the reconciliation was prepared. (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged); and Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - iii. Management has documentation reflecting it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date, if applicable.

 Result: Procedure performed; it was noted that management has not investigated outstanding items in the operating bank account.

4) Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)

- A. Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/checks/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 deposit sites (or all deposit sites if less than 5).

 Result: Document provided; no exceptions noted.
- B. For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one collection location for each deposit site (e.g., 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if there are no written policies or procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties) at each collection location, and observe that job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that
 - i. Employees responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers; Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - ii. Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g., pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit;

 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - iii. Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit; and

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

iv. The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions, is (are) not also responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee/official verifies the reconciliation.

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

C. Obtain from management a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash. Observe that the bond or insurance policy for theft was in force during the fiscal period.

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

- D. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A (select the next deposit date chronologically if no deposits were made on the dates randomly selected and randomly select a deposit if multiple deposits are made on the same day). Obtain supporting documentation for each of the 10 deposits and:
 - i. Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.

 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.
 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - iii. Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.

 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - iv. Observe that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the depository is more than 10 miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100 and the cash is stored securely in a locked safe or drawer).

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

v. Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

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

A. Obtain a listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 locations (or all locations if less than 5).

Result: Document provided; no exceptions noted.

- B. For each location selected under procedure #5A above, obtain a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtain written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if the agency has no written policies and procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties), and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that
 - i. At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order or making the purchase;

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

- ii. At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors; Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
- iii. The employee responsible for processing payments is prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, unless another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files;

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

iv. Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments; and

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

- v. Only employees/officials authorized to sign checks approve the electronic disbursement (release) of funds, whether through automated clearinghouse (ACH), electronic funds transfer (EFT), wire transfer, or some other electronic means.

 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
- C. For each location selected under procedure #5A above, obtain the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly select 5 disbursements
 - for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction, and

 i. Observe whether the disbursement, whether by paper or electronic means, matched the related original itemized invoice and supporting documentation indicates that deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity, and Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - ii. Observe whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under procedure #5B above, as applicable.

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

D. Using the entity's main operating account and the month selected in Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A, randomly select 5 non-payroll-related electronic disbursements (or all electronic disbursements if less than 5) and observe that each electronic disbursement was (a) approved by only those persons authorized to disburse funds (e.g., sign checks) per the entity's policy, and (b) approved by the required number of authorized signers per the entity's policy. Note: If no electronic payments were made from the main operating account during the month selected the practitioner should select an alternative month and/or account for testing that does include electronic disbursements.

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

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

A. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and purchase cards (cards) for the fiscal period, including the card numbers and the names of the persons who maintained possession of the cards. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete.

Result: Document provided; no exceptions noted.

- B. Using the listing prepared by management, randomly select 5 cards (or all cards if less than 5) that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly select one monthly statement or combined statement for each card (for a debit card, randomly select one monthly bank statement). Obtain supporting documentation, and
 - i. Observe whether there is evidence that the monthly statement or combined statement and supporting documentation (e.g., original receipts for credit/debit card purchases, exception reports for excessive fuel card usage) were reviewed and approved, in writing (or electronically approved) by someone other than the authorized card holder (those instances requiring such approval that may constrain the legal authority of certain public officials, such as the mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality, should not be reported); and Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - ii. Observe that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.

 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
- C. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under procedure #7B above, excluding fuel cards, randomly select 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions (e.g., each card should have 10 transactions subject to inspection). For each transaction, observe that it is supported by (1) an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased, (2) written documentation of the business/public purpose, and (3) documentation of the individuals participating in meals (for meal charges only). For missing receipts, the practitioner should describe the nature of the transaction and observe whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as a "missing receipt statement" that is subject to increased scrutiny.

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

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

- A. Obtain from management a listing of all travel and travel-related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select 5 reimbursements and obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the 5 reimbursements selected
 - i. If reimbursed using a per diem, observe that the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov);
 - Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - ii. If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased;
 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - iii. Observe that each reimbursement is supported by documentation of the business/public purpose (for meal charges, observe that the documentation includes the names of those individuals participating) and other documentation required by Written Policies and Procedures procedure #1A(vii); and

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.
 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

8) Contracts

- A. Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. Alternatively, the practitioner may use an equivalent selection source, such as an active vendor list. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 contracts (or all contracts if less than 5) from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and
 - Observe whether the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law;
 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - Observe whether the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law (e.g., Lawrason Act, Home Rule Charter);
 Result: Procedure performed no exceptions noted.
 - iii. If the contract was amended (e.g., change order), observe that the original contract terms provided for such an amendment and that amendments were made in compliance with the contract terms (e.g., if approval is required for any amendment, the documented approval); and

 Result: Procedure not applicable; no contracts were amended.
 - iv. Randomly select one payment from the fiscal period for each of the 5 contracts, obtain the supporting invoice, agree the invoice to the contract terms, and observe that the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.

 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

9) Payroll and Personnel

A. Obtain a listing of employees and officials employed during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 employees or officials, obtain related paid salaries and personnel files, and agree paid salaries to authorized salaries/pay rates in the personnel files.

Result: Document provided; no exceptions noted.

- B. Randomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees or officials selected under procedure #9A above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and
 - i. Observe that all selected employees or officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory);

 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - ii. Observe whether supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees or officials;

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

- iii. Observe that any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records; and
 - Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
- iv. Observe the rate paid to the employees or officials agrees to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.
 - Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
- C. Obtain a listing of those employees or officials that received termination payments during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select two employees or officials and obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations and the entity's policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employee's or official's cumulative leave records, agree the pay rates to the employee's or official's authorized pay rates in the employee's or official's personnel files, and agree the termination payment to entity policy. Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
- D. Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll related amounts (e.g., payroll taxes, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums, garnishments, workers' compensation premiums, etc.) have been paid, and any associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.
 - Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

10) Ethics

- A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A obtain ethics documentation from management, and
 - i. Observe whether the documentation demonstrates that each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:1170; and Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
 - ii. Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates that each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.
 - Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
- B. Inquire and/or observe whether the agency has appointed an ethics designee as required by R.S. 42:1170.
 - Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

11) Debt Service

A. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes and other debt instruments issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all debt instruments on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each debt instrument issued as required by Article VII, Section 8 of the Louisiana Constitution.

Result: Document provided; no exceptions noted.

B. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants (including contingency funds, short-lived asset funds, or other funds required by the debt covenants). Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

12) Fraud Notice

A. Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the entity reported the misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the entity is domiciled as required by R.S. 24:523.

<u>Result:</u> Procedure not applicable – No misappropriations of public funds and assets occurred during the fiscal period.

B. Observe that the entity has posted, on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds. Result: Procedure performed no exceptions noted.

13) Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

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

Result: We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management. No exceptions noted

- ii. Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past 3 months.
 - Result: We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management. No exceptions noted
- iii. Obtain a listing of the entity's computers currently in use and their related locations, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.

Result: We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management. No exceptions noted

- B. Randomly select 5 terminated employees (or all terminated employees if less than 5) using the list of terminated employees obtained in procedure #9C. Observe evidence that the selected terminated employees have been removed or disabled from the network.

 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
- C. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A, obtain cybersecurity training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates that the following employees/officials with access to the agency's information technology assets have completed cybersecurity training as required by R.S. 42:1267. The requirements are as follows:
 - Hired before June 9, 2020 completed the training; and
 - Hired on or after June 9, 2020 completed the training within 30 days of initial service or employment.

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

14) Prevention of Sexual Harassment

- A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:343.

 Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.
- B. Observe that the entity has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website (or in a conspicuous location on the entity's premises if the entity does not have a website).

Result: Procedure performed; no exceptions noted.

- C. Obtain the entity's annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1, and observe that the report includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:
 - i. Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;

Result: Procedure performed, 97% of employees have completed the training requirements.

- ii. Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency; Result: Procedure performed; 0 complaints received.
- iii. Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred; Result: Procedure performed; 0 complaints received.
- Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and
 Result: Procedure performed; 0 complaints received.
- v. Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.
 Result: Procedure performed; 0 complaints received.

Management Response: The dollar amount of the transactions is immaterial. Regarding procedure moving forward, the preparer of the bank reconciliation will research any reconciling items outstanding for more than 6 months to determine if the checks need to be voided and reissued or whether the funds need to be submitted as unclaimed property to the state. The CFO will request supporting documentation of outstanding checks to be included in the monthly bank reconciliation report to be reviewed by the Controller.