## **Draft Agenda**

## Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Regular Meeting by GoToWebinar and In-Person

Wednesday, March 29, 2023 5:30 - 7:30 pm Board Meeting

Estes Park Town Hall - Town Board Meeting Room, 170 MacGregor Ave, Estes Park CO 80517

		Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)
1		r and Welcome	1	Action	Dr David Batey
	Approval of		1	Action	EPH Board of Directors
3		of Dr Mark Wiesner and Dr Scott Woodard	5	Information	Mr Vern Carda
4		nents on Items Not on the Agenda	3	Information	Public
5		rd Member Comments	3	Information	EPH Board of Directors
6	Consent Age	nda Items Acceptance:			
	6.1 Board				
	6.1.1	EPH Board Regular Meeting Minutes Feb 22, 2023			
		EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Feb 24, 2023			
		EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Feb 25, 2023 am			
		EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Feb 25, 2023 pm			
		EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Mar 01, 2023			
	6.1.6	EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Mar 02, 2023			
	6.1.7	EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Mar 08, 2023			
	6.1.8	EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Mar 15, 2023	2	Action	EPH Board of Directors
	6.1.9	EPH Board Special Meeting Minutes Mar 16, 2023	1		
		EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Mar 18, 2023			
	6.1.11	EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Mar 20, 2023			
		EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Mar 22, 2023			
	6.2 Other	Documents			
		Report to Board of Directors—March 2023 From Estes Park			
	6.2.1	Health Home Health Care, Estes Park Health Home Care, and			
		Estes Park Health Hospice			
7	Medical Staf	f Credentialing Report	2	Action	EPH Board
8	Presentations				
		ay 2023 Election Update	5	Discussion	Ms Rachel Ryan
	8.2 EPH F	oundation Update	12	Discussion	Mr Kevin Mullin
		hief Nursing Officer Strategic Update	12	Discussion	Ms Pat Samples
		ontroller and Chief Financial Officer - End 2022 Financials and	35	Discussion	Ms Aysha Reeves and Mr Dave Timpo
	2023 O				
		e Healthcare System Affiliation - Activity Update	3	Discussion	EPH Board of Directors
9	Executive Su	mmary - Significant Items Not Otherwise Covered	1	Discussion	Senior Leadership Team
4.6	A 11 A 44				Community Attendees, EPH Board of
10	All Attendee	Conversation on Emerging Topics	30	Conversation	Directors, EPH Senior Leadership
					Team
		enda Items for Monday Apr 17, 2023 Regular Board Meeting	1	Discussion	EPH Board of Directors
		eeting Dates for 2023	1	Information	Dr David Batey
13	Adjournment		1	Action	Board
		Estimated Total Regular Session Mins.	118		
		Next Regular EPH Board Meeting: Monday	Apr 17.	2023 5:30 - 7:	30 nm

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Apr 2023 Possible Agenda Items:



## ESTES PARK HEALTH **BOARD OF DIRECTORS'**

## Regular Meeting Minutes – February 22, 2023

#### **Board Members in Attendance correspondence**

Dr. David Batey, Chair

Dr. Steve Alper, Finance Committee Chair (via webinar)

Mr. Drew Webb, Member at Large (via webinar)

Ms. Diane Muno, Member at Large

Mr. Bill Pinkham, Member at Large

#### **Other Attendees**

Mr. Vern Carda, CEO

Ms. Pat Samples, CNO

Ms. Shelli Lind, CHRO

Mr. Gary Hall, CIO

Mr. David Timpe, CFO (via webinar)

Mr. Jacob Schmitz

Mr. Kevin Mullin (via webinar)

Ms. Lesta Johnson (via webinar)

Ms. Rachel Ryan (via webinar)

Ms. Sarah Shepherd

Ms. Jessica Portillo

Ms. Wendy Rigby

Ms. Heather Bird

Ms. Aysha Reeves

Mr. Servando Talamantes

Dr. Robyn Zehr

Dr. Bridget Dunn

#### Community Attendees (present and via webinar):

Judith Beechy

Patti Brown

Linnea Carter

Yuri Casanova

Jim Cozette

Gail Cozette

Bill Crosby

Iolanthe Culjak

Nancy Dietz

Chris Kohlenberg

Larry Leaming
Claire Loughry
Heather McCreery
John Meyer
Marcela Mitchell
Marlys Polson
Matthew Poust
Mark Smith
Mary Smith
David Standerfer
Yon Yonson
Karen Sackett

#### 1. Call to Order

The board meeting was called to order at 5:32 PM by David Batey; there was a quorum present. Notice of the board meeting was posted in accordance with the Sunshine Law Regulation.

### 2. Approval of the Agenda

Steve Alper motioned to approve the agenda as submitted. Bill Pinkham seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

#### 3. Public Comments on Items not on Agenda

Mark Richards: Appreciates chance to speak to Board. Last year, the CDC published findings on youth risk behavior with data from the past ten years. It largely focused on mental health in adolescents in the United States. In 2021, 42% of high school seniors had persistent feelings of sadness/helplessness, and 22% had seriously considered suicide. 18% had made a suicide plan, and 10% attempted suicide (1 out of every 2). Can the hospital maximize its ability to screen inpatients and outpatients of all ages for conditions such as these? And expand the hospital case work/social work staff? – These topics may be addressed in Chief of Staff presentation. Board inquired if survey could be forwarded to them to review.

#### 4. General Board Member Comments

Diane Muno: Announced that she does not intend to run for the Board again in the upcoming election due to pressing business matters that require more of her attention. Thanked all members of the Board and said it was a "true pleasure" to have served the last few years. Drew and Steve expressed their gratitude for her years of service and the unique perspective she brought to the Board of Directors.

#### 5. Consent Agenda Items Acceptance

David Batey motioned to approve consent agenda items as listed, which carried unanimously. Second by Steve Alper and Bill Pinkham.

## 6. Presentations

6.1 EPH May 2023 Election Update - Current Candidates, Key Dates - Ms. Sarah Shepherd

This coming Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> is deadline for self-nomination forms by end of business day. February 27<sup>th</sup> is deadline for write-in candidates to submit affidavit of intent.

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Candidates who have filed forms and are confirmed are as follows: Cory Workman, John Meissner, Steve Alper, and Bill Pinkham. This confirms that election will not be canceled, as there are more candidates than open positions. No further questions were asked.

6.2 Estes Park Health Current Status, Covid-19 Updates, 2023 Tactical and Strategic Initiatives Updates and Forecast – Mr. Vern Carda

### **Updates** *Operational/Tactical*:

- ➤ Hospital went into lockdown today due to reports of an active shooter. A quick decision was made due to a lot of information coming in to do this; and though many were unsettled by the day's events, the hospital was prepared. All handled extreme emergencies very well, and excellent policies are in place to continue to protect the community.
- ▶ Physician update: Dr. Megan Ross has officially accepted pediatrician position and will continue to work for Estes Park Health. Dr. Woodard would like to "slow down" general surgery practice, and will continue with wound care practice. Search for general surgeon candidate is ongoing. Acknowledgement of Dr. K this is his last week in the clinic. General accolades for his years of service, and all that he has done for the Estes Park community. He will be greatly missed.
- Covid-19 Updates (Pat Samples): May 11<sup>th</sup> will be the day the Public Health Emergency ends in regard to the Covid-19 Pandemic. There was an uptick of patients who qualified for Medicaid during the Pandemic, and it is anticipated that over 200,000 people will no longer qualify following the end of the Public Health Emergency.

#### 6.3 EPH Chief of Staff - Strategic Update - Dr. Bridget Dunn

- Addressed Mark Richards' concerns regarding mental health in adolescents. Screenings are done for anxiety and depression in pediatrics as needed. There are also two Psych Nurse Practitioners at EPH who take referrals. All providers at EPH are keenly aware of taking care of mental health needs, for both adult and pediatric patients.
- See presentation. Dr. Wiesner's last day is March 31; Pediatrician Dr. Megan Ross will see patients Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

### 6.4 EPH Chief Information Officer -Strategic Update - Mr. Gary Hall

- > See presentation. Topics covered included key projects in IT, Facilities and EVS.
- During Covid, there was an expanse of telehealth services. How is Estes Park Health doing in the telehealth arena?

## 7 <u>Executive Summary – Significant Items Not Otherwise Covered</u>

No comments.

#### 8 Medical Staff Credentialing Report

Steve Alper recommended the approval of the Medical Staff Credentialing Report. Bill Pinkham seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

6.1.1

#### **All Attendee Conversation on Emerging Topics** 9

Floor opened at 6:41 PM. No questions were asked.

## 10 Potential Agenda Items for March 27, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

Intergovernmental Agreement will be on town agenda March 12th. Expectation is for this to be approved, so that meeting dates will be confirmed and posted for EPH to use Town Hall.

### 11 Adjournment

David Batey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 PM. Drew Webb and Steve Alper seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

David M. Batey, Chair

**Estes Park Health Board of Directors** 

## Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - By TEAMS

Friday, February 24, 2023 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Dial (audio only) 970-822-7850; enter Phone Conference ID: 312 980 831# when prompted

Estes Park Health, 555 Prospect Avenue, Estes Park CO 80517

Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)
1 Call to Order/Welcome (Time pm)	1	Action	Dr David Batey
2 Approval of the Agenda (Motion 2nd - )	1	Action	Board
Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda -	1	Information	Public
4 General Board Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda -	1	Information	Board
Entertain a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(e) C.R.S. for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators, and pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(f) C.R.S. for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. (Motion 2nd -)	1	Action	Board
6 Adjournment (Motion 2nd - Time pm)	1	Action	Board
Total Regular Session Mins.	6		

## Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - By TEAMS

Saturday, February 25, 2023

8:00 am - 9:30 am

### Estes Park Health, 555 Prospect Avenue, Estes Park CO 80517

Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)
1   Call to Order/Welcome (Time 8:07 am)	1	Action	Dr David Batey
2 Approval of the Agenda (Motion Steve 2nd Diane - Unanimous)	1	Action	Board
Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	Public
4 General Board Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	Board
Entertain a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(e) C.R.S. for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators, and pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(f) C.R.S. for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. (Motion Steve 2nd Bill - Unanimous)	85	Action	Board
6 Adjournment (Motion Steve 2nd Diane - Unanimous Time 9:29 am )	· 1	Action	Board
Total Regular Session Mins.	90		

# Draft Public Agenda Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - By TEAMS Saturday, February 25, 2023

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)
1   Call to Order/Welcome (Time 3:05 pm)	1	Action	Dr David Batey
2 Approval of the Agenda (Motion Steve 2nd Bill - Unanimous)	1	Action	Board
Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	Public
4 General Board Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	Board
Entertain a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(e) C.R.S. for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators, and pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(f) C.R.S. for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. (Motion Steve 2nd Diane - Unanimous)	85	Action	Board
6 Adjournment (Motion Bill 2nd Diane - Unanimous Time 4:56 pm)	1	Action	Board
Total Regular Session Mins.	90		

## Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - By TEAMS

Wednesday, March 1, 2023 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM

Dial (audio only) 970-822-7850; enter Phone Conference ID: 463 881 698# when prompted
Estes Park Health, 555 Prospect Avenue, Estes Park CO 80517

Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)
1 Call to Order/Welcome (Time pm)	1	Action	Dr David Batey
2 Approval of the Agenda (Motion 2nd - )	1	Action	Board
3 Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda -	1	Information	Public
4 General Board Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda -	1	Information	Board
Entertain a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(e) C.R.S. for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators, and pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(f) C.R.S. for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. (Motion 2nd -)	1	Action	Board
6 Adjournment (Motion 2nd - Time pm)	1	Action	Board
Total Regular Session Mins.	6		



## Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - By TEAMS

Thursday, March 2, 2023

7:15 AM - 8:15 AM

Dial (audio only) 970-822-7850; enter Phone Conference ID: 676 784 513# when prompted

Estes Park Health, 555 Prospect Avenue, Estes Park CO 80517

Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)
1   Call to Order/Welcome (Time pm)	1	Action	Dr David Batey
2 Approval of the Agenda (Motion 2nd - )	1	Action	Board
3 Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda -	1	Information	Public
4 General Board Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda -	1	Information	Board
Entertain a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(e) C.R.S. for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators, and pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(f) C.R.S. for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. (Motion 2nd -)	1	Action	Board
6 Adjournment (Motion 2nd - Time pm)	1	Action	Board
Total Regular Session Mins.	6		

## Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - By TEAMS

Wednesday, March 8, 2023 7:00AM - 8:00 AM

Dial (audio only) 970-822-7850; enter Phone Conference ID: 463 881 698# when prompted Estes Park Health, 555 Prospect Avenue, Estes Park CO 80517

Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)
1   Call to Order/Welcome (Time pm)	1	Action	Dr David Batey
2 Approval of the Agenda (Motion 2nd - )	1	Action	Board
Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda -	I	Information	Public
General Board Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda -	1	Information	Board
Entertain a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(e) C.R.S. for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators, and pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(f) C.R.S. for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. (Motion 2nd -)	1	Action	Board
6 Adjournment (Motion 2nd - Time pm)	1	Action	Board
Total Regular Session Mins.	6		



## Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - By TEAMS

Wednesday, March 15, 2023

7:00 am - 8:30 am

	Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)
1	Call to Order/Welcome (Time 7:11 am)	1	Action	Dr David Batey
2	Approval of the Agenda (Motion Alper 2nd Muno - Unanimous )	1	Action	Board
	Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	Public
4	General Board Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	Board
5	Entertain a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(e) C.R.S. for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators. (Motion Alper 2nd Pinkham - Unanimous)	85	Action	Board
6	Adjournment (Motion Alper 2nd Pinkham - Unanimous Time 9:23 am )	1	Action	Board
	Total Regular Session Mins.	90		





## ESTES PARK HEALTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS' Special Meeting Minutes – March 16, 2023

### **Board Members in Attendance correspondence**

Dr. David Batey, Chair

Dr. Steve Alper, Finance Committee Chair

Mr. Drew Webb, Member at Large

Ms. Diane Muno, Member at Large

Mr. Bill Pinkham, Member at Large

#### Other Attendees

Mr. Vern Carda, CEO

Ms. Pat Samples, CNO (via webinar)

Ms. Shelli Lind, CHRO

Ms. Lesta Johnson (via webinar)

Ms. Rachel Ryan (via webinar)

Ms. Wendy Rigby

Ms. Wendy Ash

Dr. Scott Chew

Ms. Aysha Reeves

Ms. Kaci Early

Ms. Nicki Friel

Ms. Cynthia Kingswood

Dr. John Knudtson

Ms. Cathy Martin

Ms. Karen Mills

Mr. Gary Nelson

Ms. Kaycee Simon

Ms. Emily Weber

Dr. Robyn Zehr

## **Community Attendees (via webinar):**

Gail Albers

Jeanne Allen

Cathy Alper

Craig Axtell

Barbara Bailey



Judith Beechy Randy Brigham

Patti Brown

Linnea Carter

Jim Cozette

Gail Cozette

Bill Crosby

Nancy Dietz

Carla Ellis

Steve Fuhrman

Claire Loughry

Susan Langdon

Larry Learning

Peggy Lynch

Wayne Park

Lisa Payden

**Matthew Poust** 

Lay Rosenthal

Lowell Rosenthal

Terry Rustin

Yvonne Salfinger

Judith Schaffer

**Sherry Schmitt** 

Sylvia Schneider

Andy Selig

Sally Forth

Anne Slack

Andrea Vitullo

Jim Whiteneck

**Gregory Woods** 

Cory Workman

Debbie Wright

Janet Zeschin

John Cooper

Laura Rustin

Karen Sackett

David Standerfer

Bill Sweet

Brian Tseng

#### 1. Call to Order

The board meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM by David Batey; there was a quorum present. Notice of the board meeting was posted in accordance with the Sunshine Law Regulation.



#### 2. Approval of the Agenda

Steve Alper motioned to approve the agenda as submitted. Bill Pinkham seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

#### 3. Public Comments on Items not on Agenda

No comments.

#### 4. General Board Member Comments

No comments.

#### 5. Presentations, Discussions, Actions

5.1. Shall the Estes Park Health Board of Directors support the passage of Park Hospital District Ballot Issue 8A and urge the voters of the Park Hospital District to vote yes on Park Hospital District Ballot Issue 8A by adopting and approving Resolution 2023-02? - Drew Webb motioned to adopt resolution, Steve Alper seconded.

#### **Board Member Comments:**

Diane Muno: Recommends supporting and adopting resolution. Appreciates community support and engagement to better understand resolution.

Steve Alper: Foundation is – what can we do to provide excellent and sustainable healthcare? The Board has determined that an affiliation is necessary to have a future to provide the aforementioned goals. Fully supports resolution.

Bill Pinkham: Sees this as critical issue for community and is glad to endorse it.

Drew Webb: Offered his full support, and hopes the public does as well.

David Batey: At some point in the near future, if an organization is not part of a payor network, they will not survive. If you are out of network – you get paid less. Goal of this meeting is to achieve the public's authorization in order to discuss affiliation with a larger healthcare system. Fully supports resolution.

#### Questions from Public Attendees:

Cory Workman: In the Board's view, what is the path forward without this resolution? – If the resolution does not pass, then Estes Park Health cannot move forward or negotiate an agreement with a third party. It is very important to receive authorization from the voters in the district to be able to negotiate any kind of agreement with a third party. Additionally, another election would be held in November of this year while EPH continues with growth revenue ideas, financial cuts, etc. An independent hospital in today's environment cannot survive.

Cory Workman: The Board has previously indicated they had the power to move forward with these types of negotiations. What changed? – After consulting attorneys, the approval of the



voters in the district became a known important requirement to be in compliance with the Colorado Constitution.

Kay and ? Rosenthal: If the merger takes place, will there be a local Board of Directors or local representation? – Resounding yes. All models that have been looked at have that feature. The local Boards in those cases end up being advisory Boards. Larger health systems understand the importance of local input.

Wayne Park: The resolution seems to imply that any profits resulting from the new relationship would not be ours to use. Is this the case? – This resolution is addressing the issue of allowing EPH to enter negotiations with another party. It is not regarding where profitability goes to. The Colorado Attorney General does need to review all agreements and is attentive to the needs of a local community vs. the larger organization. Whatever the agreement is, it needs to be beneficial to all the communities involved in the agreement.

Lisa: If this ballot issue is approved, is the plan to do a full affiliation with another healthcare institution or a partial affiliation? - There is currently no affiliation to discuss tonight. The board is looking for a relationship with a larger healthcare organization that will accomplish the goal of providing excellent healthcare, strengthening the organization financially, and improving quality of care.

Gail Albers: When you look for a third party to enter into a negotiation, what specifically will you look for that will serve the community's healthcare needs (insurance, etc.)? – The priority is quality of care for our patients, as well as running an operation that is sustained. Finding a third party that shares EPH's values while also being a fit for the community is of the greatest importance.

Jim and Gail Cozette: Previously the discussion was surrounding affiliation, now it's about a merger. What changed? – Board is actively looking into what works best for this community in the long-term. Affiliation includes all kinds of different relationships and joint ventures. We are currently looking for a partnership with mutual objectives.

Judith Schaffer: Having worked in large hospitals across the city as an RN, and also having worked at EPH, she supports the resolution wholeheartedly. It is critical to keep the hospital going. Given how important it is to maintain quality healthcare, good practices, and good staff, it is very important to pass the resolution. What happens to the Foundation and the Foundation money if this partnership takes place? — The Foundation will stay here and will continue to support the hospital, while also offering the option to support other health needs of the community. The Foundation is excited about the prospect of affiliation.

Larry Learning: Affiliation is the only option for survival, speaking as the previous CEO of EPH. This is the best time to negotiate the best arrangement for the community.

Terry Rustin: I am a physician who currently does all his work through Telemedicine. Previous administrations rejected my suggestion of affiliation. What has changed in the interim? – Reimbursements and healthcare as a whole has changed.



➤ Is the board and administration of this hospital really going to pursue what it takes not only to survive, but to thrive? – Resounding yes.

Lay and Lowell Rosenthal – As former nursing administrator, full support of resolution. Will our taxing district funds remain necessary to support merger/acquisition partnership? – The tax support for local healthcare is really important. The tax revenues would stay local, and would stay focused on supporting local healthcare.

5.2. Possible motions regarding Resolution 2023-02 – Passed with unanimous approval.

## 6. Adjournment

David Batey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 PM. Drew Webb and Steve Alper seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.



### Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - By TEAMS

Saturday, March 18, 2023 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

	Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)
1	Call to Order/Welcome (Time 12:36 pm)	1	Action	Dr David Batey
2	Approval of the Agenda (Motion Alper 2nd Webb - Unanimous )	1	Action	Board
	Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	Public
4	General Board Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	Board
5	Entertain a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(e) C.R.S. for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators. (Motion Alper 2nd Muno - Unanimous)	85	Action	Board
6	Adjournment (Motion Alper 2nd Muno - Unanimous Time 02:30 pm )	1	Action	Board
	Total Regular Session Mins.	90		



# Draft Public Agenda Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - By TEAMS Monday, March 20, 2023

07:00 am - 09:00 am

	Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)	
1	Call to Order/Welcome (Time 7:09 am)	1	Action	Dr David Batey	
2	Approval of the Agenda (Motion Alper 2nd Muno - Unanimous)	1	Action	Board	
	Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	Public	
4	General Board Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	Board	
5	Entertain a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(e) C.R.S. for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators. (Motion Alper 2nd Muno - Unanimous)	85	Action	Board	
6	Adjournment (Motion Alper 2nd Muno - Unanimous Time 8:55 am)	1	Action	Board	
	Total Regular Session Mins.	90			



## Draft Public Agenda Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - By TEAMS

Wednesday, March 22, 2023 07:00 am - 08:30 am

Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)	
1 Call to Order/Welcome (Time 7:07 am)	1	Action	Dr David Batey	
2 Approval of the Agenda (Motion Alper 2nd Muno - Unanimous)	1	Action	Board	
Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	Public	
4 General Board Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	Board	
Entertain a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(e) C.R.S. for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators. (Motion Alper 2nd Muno - Unanimous)	85	Action	Board	
6 Adjournment (Motion Alper 2nd Muno - Unanimous Time 8:45 am )	1	Action	Board	
Total Regular Session Mins.	90			



# Report to Board of Directors—March 2023 From Estes Park Health Home Health Care, Estes Park Health Home Care, and Estes Park Health Hospice

#### I. People

We have a strong team of 27 employees. Our Clinical Secretary/Unit Coordinator, Carol Blanchard retired at the end of August 2022, but has stayed with us PRN until a permanent replacement was found. Kaleigh Smith has accepted the open clinical secretary/unit coordinator position and began working with us at the end of February. Mike Zelyez has joined the team as a contract physical therapist until a permanent solution is found. Additionally, Paul Asher, occupational therapist, has been filling in as available from the outpatient rehab department while we continue to search for a permanent occupational therapist solution. We currently have open positions for a fulltime physical therapist, fulltime occupational therapist, part time registered nurse, a part time and PRN personal care provider.

#### II. Quality

We monitor, track/trend, and strive to improve our 2023 quality measures for all three of our agencies. Much of our clinical educational in-services this year will focus on how to improve our OASIS outcome scores which were lower and are a part of our quality improvement management.

In March the home care staff attended the workplace violence in-service that was hosted by EPH human resources. Additionally, there was the first OASIS-E workshop/education for the skilled clinical staff put on by Emily Weber, RN. This first OASIS education covered the newly added aspects of the assessment as well as touching on the existing areas that need improvement.

Now that the COVID precautions are winding down the home care staff can see patients without a mask on. This brings back an element of personal connection that staff felt was really missing from their work.

#### III. Service

We continue to provide quality patient care in the community through our three different types of services (skilled home health care, non-medical home care, and hospice). We serve Estes Park and its surrounding mountain communities—Glen Haven, Drake, Allenspark, and Pinewood Springs.

We are currently providing non-medical personal care provider/homemaker services to some clients through the Boulder County Office on Aging grant program and the Larimer County Office on Aging grant program. We have 18 people on our waiting list for non-medical home care services. We hope that we will be able to hire another personal care provider soon to further serve the community with our non-medical service line.

Our volumes YTD over this year through February are down 45% for Home Health Care, down 15.03% for home care, and down 14.5% for Hospice. We recognize that our volumes are lower than usual, and we plan to pick up on marketing for Home Health and Hospice. The Duck Race provides us with an opportunity to not only receive donations from the community it also allows for publicity of the Hospice line of business. Additionally, fliers have been created advertising the availability of the Home Health and Hospice service to the community as well as placed in exam rooms at the EPH clinic and in the Timberline exam rooms.

IV. Financial (Three separate P&Ls for three agencies)

2023 YTD Financials through January (only available) (Three separate P&Ls for three agencies)

Home Health Care: Revenue (\$37,440) is 48% below budget

Expenses (\$84,669) are 16.6% below budget

Home Care (non-skilled): Revenue (\$20,987) is 34.21% below budget

Expenses (\$12,478) are 49% below budget

Hospice: Revenue (\$22,145) is 32.89% below budget

Expenses (\$22,903) are 49.9% below budget



2022 YTD Roll-up for all three agencies through April: Total for all: Revenue (\$80,571) is 48% below budget Expenses (\$120,052) are 29% below budget

### V. Community

As the pandemic season appears to be winding down, we at Home Health and Hospice are again beginning to imagine how we might build on what we've done in the past to enhance our current work in the community. Building and enhancing are tangible ways we demonstrate our commitment to the Estes Valley community.

Hospice volunteers are grateful to be seeing patients under the supervision of Alyssa Bergman, MSW. Our hospice families express gratitude and report significant benefits from having volunteers provide respite and support for the family caregivers. Two of our volunteers are currently working together to create a structure for presentations highlighting the work of hospice and telling of their personal experience with hospice. Two other volunteers support our grief work by regularly calling the bereavement families and by mailing the monthly addition of Journey's Newsletter, filled with support for those on a grief journey.

The Hospice Bereavement program, created for the families of our hospice patients, regularly reaches out to care for persons from the community who have not been connected to Hospice. It is part of our community service. All our staff refer people who could benefit from this service. Currently the Bereavement program is comprised of 28% non-hospice community families.

Herm Weaver, Chaplain, offers a Grief Support Group that is aimed at directly supporting the 13-month Bereavement program. It serves people in the first year of grief and at times beyond. This group meets every other week and is currently meeting in a room at Shepherd of the Mountain Lutheran Church. 25% of the current participants in the Grief Support Group are community folks who are not connected to hospice. They have most often been referred by local pastors. Herm also provides consultation for an ongoing community group that has grown out of previous bereavement clients who continue to gather for grief support.

Nancy Bell continues to provide caregiver support to the community through online communication, phone calls, and forwarding of educational opportunities. She also runs a caregiver's support group that is meeting face to face again at Good Samaritan twice a month. In addition, Nancy has once again begun offering some children's and community-based music therapy groups and has started a community-based support group for women who have early to moderate stages of dementia. Nancy imagines training a person from the community to facilitate the new women's group in time.

The Chaplain reaches out to faith leaders in the community to provide support and connection for the times when our work intersects. One of the outcomes of the pandemic is many families are choosing not to have public Memorial Services, Funerals, or Life Celebrations. Still, Nancy and Herm continue to help families plan for their loved ones passing by assisting them in making funeral home arrangements and creating memorial events. Occasionally we are invited to provide leadership for family or public remembrance events.

Serving the Estes Valley community continues to be at the very center of Home Health and Hospice. The best energy of our staff is directed toward health and safety of our community. If you, the reader, imagines new ways for us to serve the community we welcome your suggestions.



## Park Hospital District Board 29 March 2023

#### **CREDENTIALING RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **Credentials Committee approval:**

February 22, 2023

Present: Drs. McLellan (Chair), Dunn, Zehr, Gary Hall, Vern Carda, Bill Pinkham, Steve Alpers, and

Michele Petersen

#### **Medical Executive Committee approval:**

March 1, 2023

#### **Initial Appointment:**

Keefer, Theresa, CRNA

APP, Anesthesiology

#### Reappointments:

Amaya, Sharon, CRNA Kiser, Robert, MD Heath, Russell, MD Overman, Wayne, MD APP, Anesthesiology Courtesy, Cardiology Courtesy, Cardiology Courtesy, Dermatology

#### **Change in Category:**

Dekker, Paige, DO

Provisional to Active, Family Medicine



## Colorado Fair Campaign Practices Act Title 1 Article 45 Section 117 State and Political Subdivisions

Best Practices for Estes Park Health, Estes Park Health Employees, and Board Members

March 29, 2023



# **EPH Organization**

## Permitted Activities:

- Spending public moneys or make contributions to dispense a factual summary on any issue of official concern before the electorate in the jurisdiction
  - The summary should include arguments both for and against the proposal
  - The summary should not contain a conclusion or opinion in favor of or against any particular issue
  - Issues of official concern are limited to issues that will appear on an election ballot in the jurisdiction



# **EPH Organization**

## Permitted Activities:

- Passing a resolution or take a position of advocacy on any Election Issue.
- Reporting the passage of or distributing a resolution described earlier through established, customary means regularly used by the District to provide similar information to the public.
  - Examples include: Presentations, Press Releases, and Email Blasts.



# EPH Employees And Board Members

- Includes all employees including Senior Leadership,
   Department Leaders, Physicians, and Board Members
- Permitted Activities as EPH Employees & Board Members:
  - Responding to questions about Election Issues, for example, the May 2, 2023 ballot issue, if the employee, Board Member, or District has not solicited the question



# EPH Employees And Board Members

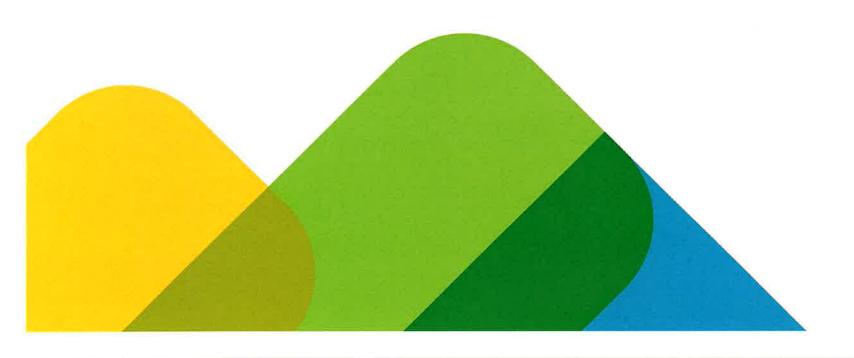
- Permitted Activities as Private Citizens:
  - Expressing their personal opinion on any Election Issue.
  - Making personal contributions and using personal time to urge electors to vote in favor of or against any Election Issues.





## 2023 Spring Update, EPH Board of Directors

MARCH 30, 2023



## **Strategic Plan Implementation**

- Community Engagement
- Communications
- Fund Development
- EPHF & EPH Board Relationship Building
- Board Development



## **Finance Update**

## ESTES PARK MEDICAL CENTER FOUNDATION Dec 2022 DASHBOARD

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Operations Summary	Dec-22	Dec-22		Dec-21	Dec-21	2022	YTD	2022 YTD		2021 YTD	2021 YTD
	Actual	Budget		Actual	Budget	Act	ual	Budget		Actual	Budget
Donation Revenue	149,536	120,368		162,350	37,083		561,014	545,000	8 8	857,184	445,000
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<b>Total Donation Revenue</b>	149,536	120,368		162,350	37,083		561,014	545,000	_	857,184	445,000
Total Operating Expense	38,392	30,387	_	34,382	30,488		380,405	384,194		380,267	381,021
Net Operating Increase/(Loss)	111,144	89,981	=	127,968	6,595		180,609	160,806		476,917	63,979
Investment Revenue	(117,741)	27,607		156,353	11,250	(	686,899)	125,000		718,846	135,000
Other Revenue		185					100	S#1		92,722	959
Total Revenue	31,795	147,975		318,703	48,333	(	125,885)	670,000	-	1,181,842	386,668
Grant Disbursements	3,974			165,372	8.00		587,432	859		194,610	825
Total Net Increase/(Loss)	(10,571)	117,588		118,949	17,845	(1,	093,722)	285,806		1,093,875	198,979



## **Highlights Since Last Meeting**

- Completed Fluoroscopy Campaign
- Achieved Fundraising Revenue goal for 2022
- Conducted New Director Orientation
- Relocated Foundation Office
- New Staff Recruited



## **General Updates**

- Successful New Director Welcome Reception held in February
- Launched Events Task Force in January, they will be presenting a recommendation at the June Foundation Board Meeting
- Launched Crowns for the Care Subcommittee of the Fund Development Committee, they have 12 members and are connected with the new Rooftop Rodeo leadership structure

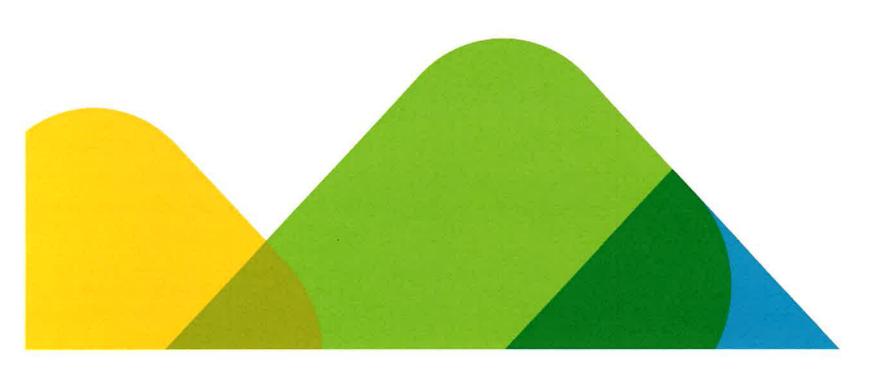


**Questions?** 





# EPH CNO Update 3-2023



# TEAM WORK

Coming together is the beginning
Keeping together is progress
Working together is success





#### Covid/pandemic updates...

EPH removed all mask requirements in February.

Public Health Emergency (PHE) done May 11, 2023

- Remain under the executive order regarding COVID with CDPHE.
- EPH preparing to restore waived requirements and other changes to policy/practice.
  - Changes to payment for COVID-19 related services.
  - Return of regulatory requirements that were waived.
  - Identify timelines for operational changes (May through Dec. 2023)
- COVID Governance continues to meet regularly
  - Monitor incident rates at EPH and Larimer County.
  - Develop transition plan for EPH.



#### Pursuit of Quality...

- Anticipate DNV survey between now and end of April
  - NC-1's (Non-Conformities) and NC-2's from last year addressed.
  - Meeting every other week to prepare.
- Continue to collaborate and focus on Patient Safety/Quality with each department, identifying quality improvement programs per each department and solidify data management and reporting.
- Laboratory
  - CAP (College of American Pathologist) survey completed last week; no immediate risk identified.
  - Action plan to address identified variances.
- Emergency Management
  - Met with Estes Park Police after school shooting scam.
  - Partnering with local agencies to develop complete plan and drills.



#### Pursuit of Quality...

- Diagnostic Imaging
  - CT mobile in place, replacing CT machine.
  - Fluoroscopy replacement process initiated.
- Full time Pharmacist recruited to support education at the bedside with individual patients/families.
  - Support HCAP (CMS patient experience) survey regarding understanding my discharge medications.
- Overhaul and revisions to policy and procedures process per regulations.
- Infection Prevention Plan 2023 developed.



#### **Developing People Resources...**

- Environment of Care Program Manager implemented, focus on workplace violence, environment of care and emergency preparedness for EPH.
- Recruited full time Registered Dietitian.
- Infection Prevention Program Manager (transitioned from a traveler).
- Leadership Development initiated for Managers/Supervisors.
- Just Culture training initiated with four staff.



### Leveraging Technology to Improve Outcomes...

- Care of the patient with Sepsis
  - Workgroup to utilize EPIC to support physicians/nursing.
- Emergency Department
  - Triaging and movement of patients.
  - Prioritization and placement of patients, using EPIC to support.
- Care of patients with Diabetes
  - Insulin management.



#### Fiscal Health...

- Robust recruitment plan being developed with senior directors and HR business partner.
- Senior Directors and Directors working to minimize travel staff and hire permanent staff.
  - Adjusting staff to census during lower census times.
  - No travelers in Diagnostic Imaging, Urgent care, House Supervisors, Respiratory Therapy.
  - Decreased travelers on Med/Surg., Emergency Department, Laboratory, Rehab and Perioperative Services.
  - Hiring seasonal staff to meet increase volume during our season. (May-October).
- · Rejuvenation of Ophthalmology service line surgeries.

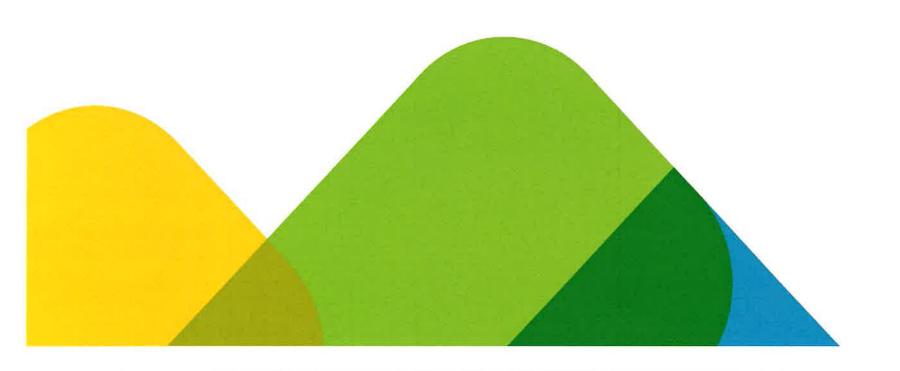


#### Nursing Legislation update...

- HB 22-1401 continues state-wide with monthly meetings to address concerns and clarify the requirements.
  - EPH continues to participate in state team, proposed revisions and implementation at the hospital level.
- Final with revisions will be presented in June 2023.

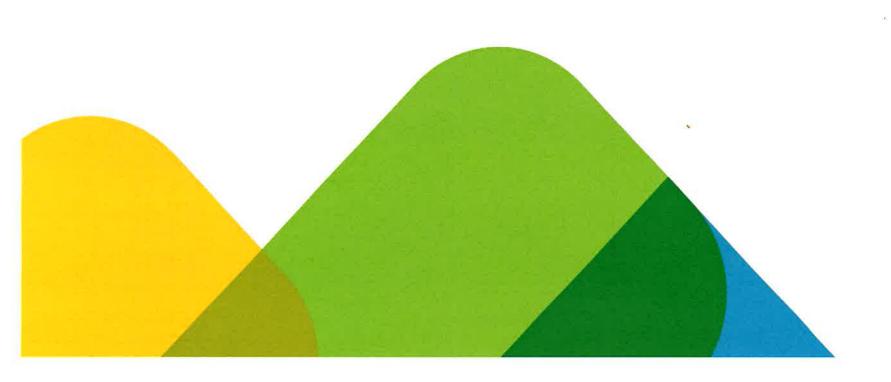








### 2022 Fiscal Review



# Challenging Financial Headwinds Create Difficult Operating Environment for Hospitals

- Between 2020 and the present time, EPH has successfully navigated a very difficult time period for all hospitals.
  - Major challenges have included:
    - Inflation
    - Labor Shortages
    - Excess Contract Labor Expenses
    - Supply Chain Challenges
- Equation that has propelled us to an optimistic 2023 is:

Strategic Planning + Willingness to Change + Involvement of all Staff + Transparent Communication = 2023 Position



# Paradigm Shift for Critical Access Hospitals to Razor thin Financial Margins

"Hospital leaders face an existential crisis as the new reality of financial performance begins to set in," said Erik Swanson, senior vice president of data and analytics with Kaufman Hall, "2023 may turn out to be the year hospitals redefine their goals, mission, and idea of success in response to expense and revenue challenges that appear to be here for the long haul."

- EPH started this journey in 2020
- Future/Continued Strategic Planning and nimble movement = Success



# Changes Made in 2020 & 2021 (some very difficult) are Creating Impact in FY 2023

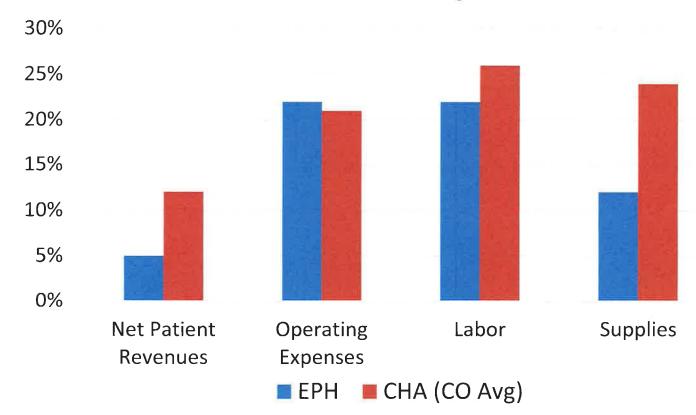
- In Critical Access Hospitals like EPH, changes made in programming (other than labor cuts) take time to embed themselves into the operation.
   Consequently, positive fiscal impact for these programs is being observed in FY2023 budget.
  - PPLC Closure
  - Reduction in Force
  - Urgent Care Investment
  - EPH Surgeons
  - EPH Hospitalists



#### **Current Colorado Healthcare Industry**

- Nearly 50% of Colorado hospitals had negative patient margins in 2021
- Expenses are outpacing revenues across the industry

#### Percent Change 2022 Compared to 2019



CHA Data from PowerPoint Presentation (cha.com)



### **2022 Operating Revenue**

	2022 Actual 2022 Budget Actual -	Percent (A-	2021 Actual	2022 Actual -	Percent (22-		
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PATIENT REVENUE							
Inpatient	8,179,056	12,547,534	(4,368,478)	(34.8%)	9,991,032	(1,811,976)	(18.1%)
Outpatient	86,328,526	82,478,527	3,849,999	4.7%	79,786,577	6,541,949	8.2%
TOTAL PATIENT REVENUE	94,507,582	95,026,061	(518,479)	(0.5%)	89,777,609	4,729,973	5.3%
Less: Contractual Adjustments	(41,645,499)	(41,336,334)	(309,165)	(0.7%)	(36,976,072)	(4,669,427)	(12.6%)
Less: Charity, Bad Debt, Uncompensated	(2,357,832)	(1,662,959)	(694,873)	(41.8%)	(1,614,708)	(743,124)	(46.0%)
<b>Total Deductions from Patient Revenue</b>	(44,003,331)	(42,999,293)	(1,004,038)	(2.3%)	(38,590,780)	(5,412,551)	(14.0%)
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NET PATIENT REVENUE	50,504,251	52,026,768	(1,522,517)	(2.9%)	51,186,829	(682,578)	(1.3%)
Net Patient Income/Total Patient Revenue as a %	53.4%	54.7%			57.0%		
Other Operating Revenues	358,280	629,500	(271,220)	(43.1%)	662,750	(304,470)	(45.9%)
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TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	50,862,531	52,656,268	(1,793,737)	(3.4%)	51,849,579	(987,048)	(1.9%)



### **2022 Operating Expenses**

	2022 Actual	2022 Budget	Actual - Budget	Percent (A-B)÷ABS(B)	2021 Actual	2022 Actual - 2021 Actual	Percent (22- 21)÷ABS(21)
OPERATING EXPENSES							
Salaries and Wages	24,594,292	25,399,882	(805,590)	(3.2%)	23,638,497	955,795	4.0%
Employee Benefits	5,538,923	6,542,802	(1,003,879)	(15.3%)	5,624,828	(85,905)	(1.5%)
Professional Fees and Purchased Services	19,077,622	13,457,033	5,620,589	41.8%	13,428,646	5,648,976	42.1%
Supplies	5,924,516	5,919,628	4,888	0.1%	5,481,086	443,430	8.1%
Utilities	666,984	621,090	45,894	7.4%	667,295	(311)	(0.0%)
Leases and Rentals	1,119,161	1,317,262	(198,101)	(15.0%)	1,106,350	12,811	1.2%
Insurance	411,561	343,865	67,696	19.7%	368,994	42,567	11.5%
Repairs and Maintenance	293,789	129,900	163,889	126.2%	417,903	(124,114)	(29.7%)
Depreciation	3,458,298	3,254,492	203,806	6.3%	3,231,691	226,607	7.0%
Other	2,670,284	2,721,529	(51,245)	(1.9%)	2,747,146	(76,862)	(2.8%)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	63,755,430	59,707,483	4,047,947	6.8%	56,712,436	7,042,994	12.4%



#### 2022 Non-Operating Revenue & Expenses

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	2022 Actual	2022 Budget	Actual - Budget	Percent (A-B)÷ABS(B)	2021 Actual	2022 Actual - 2021 Actual	Percent (22- 21)÷ABS(21)
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	(12,892,899)	(7,051,215)	(5,841,684)	(82.8%)	(4,862,857)	(8,030,042)	(165.1%)
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)							
Property Tax Revenues	3,497,779	3,499,500	(1,721)	(0.0%)	3,284,513	213,266	6.5%
Interest Expense	(541,112)	(402,600)	(138,512)	(34.4%)	(416,164)	(124,948)	(30.0%)
Investment Income	(752,640)	55,500	(808,140)	(1456.1%)	(93,818)	(658,822)	(702.2%)
Gain on Disposal of Capital Assets	(237)	:=:	(237)		(49,750)	49,513	99.5%
Noncapital Grants and Contributions	18,216	75,000	(56,784)	(75.7%)	57,867	(39,651)	(68.5%)
Other	332,964	2,752,500	(2,419,536)	(87.9%)	11,620,908	(11,287,944)	(97.1%)
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES, NET	2,554,970	5,979,900	(3,424,930)	(57.3%)	14,403,556	(11,848,586)	(82.3%)
DEFICIT OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES BEFORE CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS	(10,337,929)	(1,071,315)	(9,266,614)	(865.0%)	9,540,699	(19,878,628)	(208.4%)
Capital Contributions	543,108	450,000	93,108	20.7%	175,913	(367,195)	208.7%
NET POSITION INCREASE (DECREASE)	(9,794,821)	(621,315)	(9,173,506)	(1476.5%)	9,716,612	(19,511,433)	(200.8%)
Net Position - Beginning of Period	49,102,664				39,386,052		
NET POSITION - END OF PERIOD	39,307,843				49,102,664		
EBITDA	(5,795,411)	3,035,777	(8,831,188)	(290.9%)	13,364,467	(19,159,878)	(143.4%)



#### **2022 Financial Summary**

- Net patient revenue under budget by 3%
- Operating expenses over budget by 7%
- Net non-operating revenues under budget by 57%
- Overall, 2022 net loss offset by 2021 net income
- Major cost drivers in 2022
  - Contract labor over budget by 54%
  - Physician recruitment
  - Capital projects



### 2022 Compared to 2023 Budget

Income Statement	2021 Actual	2022 Preliminary	2023 Budget	2023 Budget - 2022 Preliminary	Percent Change
Total Patient Revenue	89,777,609	94,507,582	109,723,572	15,215,990	16.1%
Total Deductions from Patient Revenue	(38,590,780)	(44,003,331)	(50,198,534)	(6,195,203)	14.1%
Net Patient Revenue	51,186,829	50,504,251	59,525,038	9,020,787	17.9%
Other Operating Revenues	662,750	358,280	374,600	16,320	4.6%
Total Operating Revenue	51,849,579	50,862,531	59,899,638	9,037,107	17.8%
Total Operating Expenses	56,712,436	63,755,430	63,802,308	46,878	0.1%
Operating Loss	(4,862,857)	(12,892,899)	(3,902,670)	8,990,229	-69.7%
Total Non-Operating Revenues, Net	14,403,556	2,554,970	4,837,686	2,282,716	89.3%
Excess Revenue/(Expenses)	9,540,699	(10,337,929)	935,016	11,272,945	-109.0%
Capital Contributions	175,913	543,108	300,000	(243,108)	-44.8%
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	9,716,612	(9,794,821)	1,235,016	11,029,837	-112.6%
EBITDA	13,364,467	(5,795,411)	5,131,694	10,927,105	-188.5%



#### 2022 Changes Improve EPH in 2023

- Physician Additions
  - Family Medicine
  - Podiatry
  - Ophthalmology
  - Internal Medicine
  - Radiology

Physician Additions: \$5,309,000

- Key Service Additions/Changes
  - Chemo & Infusion
  - PT/ST/OT

Key Service Additions: \$1,610,000



#### 2022 Changes Improve EPH in 2023

- Administrative Changes
  - Chargemaster
  - Revenue Cycle

Administrative Changes: \$985,000

- Service Transitions and Expense Reductions
  - OB
  - IP Peds
  - Labor Restructure
  - Information Technology
  - Employee Housing

Expense Reduction Total: \$2,952,000

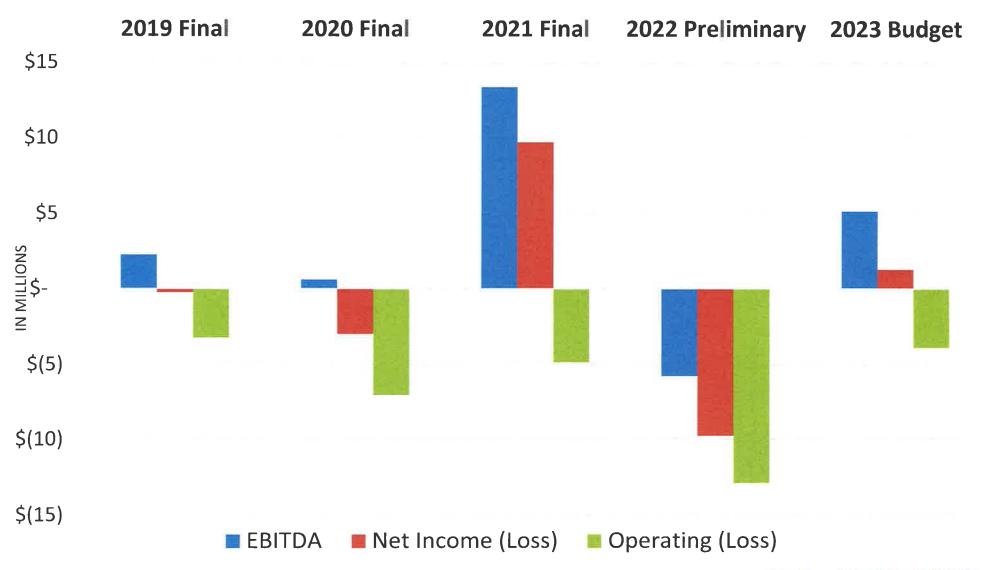


# 2022 One Time Costs Expended to Generate Financial Improvement

- To make strategic changes, EPH incurred costs. In particular, EPH used its cash position to:
  - Recruit Physicians
  - Invest in people via wages, education, benefits, etc.
  - Invest in equipment to operate the business
  - Consulting/Legal/Other



#### **Estes Park Health Financials**



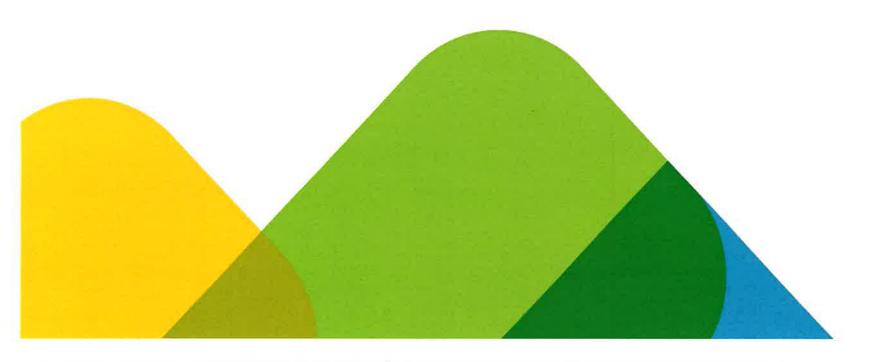


#### **Summary Thoughts: 2023 & Beyond**

- After a couple of years of erratic fluctuations in labor shortages, excess contract labor expenses, and supply chain challenges, the ability to deliver great quality care will depend upon:
  - Strategic planning
  - Nimble movement
  - Managing labor costs
  - Service line development
  - Continue to pursue affiliation as discussed with the community
  - Successfully navigating narrow networks



### **Questions and Comments?**



# Possible Health Care System Affiliation Activity Update

March 29, 2023



#### **Brief Review**

#### Goals:

- Ensure excellent healthcare services to address our community's healthcare needs for many years to come
- Access to outstanding healthcare service providers for services we do not offer

Stronger and deeper affiliation with a major healthcare system is the best way to accomplish these goals



#### Steps to Affiliation

- 1. Initial assessment and review.
- 2. Negotiations exploring possible mutual interest and benefit.
- 3. Negotiation of a "Letter of Intent" with nondisclosure requirements.
- 4. Both Parties Due Diligence to confirm expected benefits.
- 5. Negotiate "Definitive Agreement".
- 6. Colorado Attorney General review.
- 7. Integration and Implementation.

